

WWG School Board Meeting

April 22, 2025

Walnut Grove 7:00 PM

Members present: Madson, Krick, Kuehl, Warner, Hansen, Kleven, Foster, Superintendent Woelber, Principal Woitalewicz, and Jenniges also present were Stephanie Doubler, Kristy Baker, Tony Miller and Tom Merchant. Absent: AD Klumper

Madson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Kuehl to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried

Motion made by Kleven and seconded by Krick to approve February 24, 2025, meeting minutes. Motion Carried

Motion made by Kleven and seconded by Warner to approve the claims, account balances, treasurer reports and vendor payments. Motion Carried

Visitor reports – Dan Wahl and STEAM presentation. Honor Society update

Old Business – Daycare updates – Finances to date look better. Thanks to everyone for helping when needed. The Fire Marshall has been onsite recently. Next committee meeting will be in May.

AD Klumper – One Speech team student from RRC will advance to state. Winter sports Daily Globe All Area athletes are Hudson Jenniges and Leah Carter (1st Team), Riley Parker (2nd Team) and Natalie Wahl (Honorable Mention). Invoices have been sent to local businesses who advertise with us on the livestream and score table. That Money will continue to be used for our POWER program, our student council and possibly to buy a Dr. Dish shooting machine for the WG gym. Our Spring sports are going well with several events every day of the week. Kelly, Darren and I visit every day to discuss transportation. All sports budget has been given out for approval. There is the possibility of bringing the JH football practice up to WG for next fall.

Mr. Jenniges – Preschool screening took place on Tuesday, April 8 - 30 students were screened (we had 26 in the fall). Compared to last year (14 fall / 26 spring). Kindergarten roster has 10 students, waiting on responses for two others. MCA testing (most of the elementary will do this week), April 15 (3-4th to Orchestra in Marshall), April 15 Spelling Bee (Nolan Baker - 1st, Avery Westover - 2nd) - Thanks to judges, April 16 (5-6th to History Center / Twins Game) - Thanks to Mr. Ross for organizing, April 16 Muffins for Moms in Kindergarten. Parent Teacher Conferences were held on March 27 (82% attendance); SPED teachers were scheduled to be in classrooms with grade level teachers. Elementary Spring Concerts - Thursday, April 24 (4-6th) and Monday, April 28 (K-3) along with Kindergarten Open House. SPED caseloads for 2025-26 - Mid 40's. Successful ELC transition back to WWG. Paraprofessionals have been registered for the August training session in Marshall. This will cover phases 1-2 of support staff READ Act training - Sessions 3-4 will take place at Shared Services date in November. 20 staff members who have been doing the OLLA Read Act training, final session May 7.

Principal Woitalewicz – Remick Grant Applications submitted April 4th - Classroom Desks & Furniture, Yearbook camera, vibraphone for band, SEL materials, over \$40,000 in requests. Will hear back around end of school year. FFA taking a whole host of students to state competition in late April - our FFA program is one of the best in the area! Update from Elena Yang - FFA Secretary - The WWG FFA chapter and our members have been on a great roll this year. In regions, over half of the career development event teams have qualified, meaning 8 teams will head up to state competition. The soil and crops team received 2nd, poultry in 5th, horse team in 4th, milk quality and fish and wildlife both ranking 1st in their contests. Floriculture unfortunately did not advance to state but put in effort and ranked at 10 in their contest. The meat's team is set to compete at regional competition on the 7th of April. Many teams competed at the SMSU Ag Bowl invitational, in which almost all teams placed well above in the top 10 teams. On the 28th of March, certain teams competed successfully in South Dakota at the Little International FFA Contest, hosted at SDSU. The advisors and officer team have taken great care in contributing to the chapter and community. The WWG FFA officers gave a presentation to the Walnut Grove Loggers, receiving a \$5000 donation to the FFA chapter. Members and advisors as always continue to work hard for this chapter. Overall, 8 teams and 43 total students made it to state! 10-12 grade students Job Shadow 4/23 - a very good program to get our kids out into the workforce for a day and see what their interests are. Next year we are looking at offering this for only our junior students due to continued scheduling conflicts that occur. HS MCA Testing last week - embargoed results come out in August. Senior Band/Choir Trip coming up Wednesday, May 7th. Senior Class wrapped up their class trip yesterday - all accounts state it was a great trip with a ton of things packed in for our seniors

Superintendent Woelber –

- Transportation: vans
- Food Service: summer lunch is a go
- Administrative updates – school wide satisfaction surveys will be compiled next week
- Shared Services

Enrollments (March)

Prek – 57	4 th grade – 28	8 th grade – 31
Kindergarten – 47	5 th grade – 41	9 th grade – 29
1 st grade – 24	6 th grade – 39	10 th grade – 43
2 nd grade – 41		11 th grade – 36
3 rd grade – 39	7 th grade – 32	12 th grade – 21

PreK – 6 enrollment total – (259+57) = 316

7th – 12th grade enrollment total – 192

Total – 508 (PreK -12)

- Staffing:
- Legislation
- Hosting speaker on the farm
- Fitness Center rates to raise, potentially in July. Deciding on equipment needs.
 - A. Westbrook – 258 FOBS over the past few years, 95 Silver Sneakers FOBS, 32 Active Silver Sneakers, 29 active general folks.
 - B. Walnut Grove – 94 total FOBS over the past few years, 30 Silver Sneakers, 6 active Silver Sneakers, 5 active general folks.

- Drivers refresh assistance for adults in the community
- Discussions with area churches about daycare and fitness center space.

Board Reports and recognition of donors/supporters

- Loggers for their \$5000 donation to the FFA
- Thank you to the judges for the Spelling Bee
- Special thanks to the Bus and Van drivers in the district.

New Business

Motion made by Kuehl and seconded by Hansen to approve the application for PEIP for renewal as recommended. (4-year renewal). Motion Carried

Motion made by Kleven and seconded by Krick to approve the Capital outlay requests

- Westbrook (handout)
- Walnut Grove (handout)
- Activities (handout)

Motion made by Warner and seconded by Foster for the approval of updated staffing notes Motion Carried

1. Resignation and many, many thanks to Laurie Johnson
2. Natasha Ross for daycare

Updates on the process for an August election for a bond for parking lot renovation in Westbrook and roofing on all three facilities.

- School Bond (Summers of 2026 & 2027) Vote August 2025
 - Roofing in WG \$1,100,000
 - Concrete sidewalk WG to / from playground \$ 25,000
 - Concrete sidewalk work in Westbrook \$ 15,000
 - Roofing in WB \$ 800,000

Motion made by Hansen and seconded by Krick to approve the Summer 2025 Projects (handout with \$5,500 added for sealcoat WG). Motion Carried

Motion made by Kuehl and seconded by Hansen to approve the SWWC service coop contracts for 25-26. Motion Carried

Adjourned 8:14pm

Respectfully submitted,
 Becky Foster
 Board Clerk