

# West Franklin USD 287

Board of Education Meeting  
Education Center  
510 E. Franklin  
Pomona, Ks 66076  
Monday, January 9, 2012  
7:00 pm

## Call to Order

The regular meeting of the West Franklin USD 287 Board of Education was called to order by President Thayne Bush with the following members present:

Curt Altic	Stacy Hower	Lisa Reece
Sherry Harris	Tim Matthias	Stacia Spencer

Also present: Mr. Dotson Bradbury, Superintendent, Teresa Hawkins, Clerk, Principal Cathy Brandt, Curriculum Director Andy Azwell, Bill Lloyd, Joann Hancock, Dee Short and Ottawa Herald Reporter Crystal Harbor

## Amend Agenda

A motion was made by Stacy Hower and seconded by Stacia Spencer to amend the agenda by adding:

- 4.5 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant
- 4.6 Travel Request

Carried: 7-0

## Approve Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Stacy Hower and seconded by Tim Matthias to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the December 12, 2011 Meeting
- Financial Reports/Pay Bills

Carried: 7-0

## Patron Forum

Dee Short voiced concerns regarding the possibility of restoring some of the extra curricular activities that had been cut in previous years due to loss of budget authority.

Jo Ann Hancock asked how to get a copy of the agenda. She was reminded that all board information is now posted on the district website.

## Reports

**Principal Susan Wildeman** was ill and not in attendance.

**Reports Cont.**

**Principal Rick Smith** not in attendance due to hosting the middle school league basketball tournament.

**Principal Cathy Brandt** had nothing to add to her report in the board management letter.

**Principal Robert Allen** not in attendance due to hosting the middle school league basketball tournament.

**Curriculum Director Andy Azwell** informed the Board of the need to increase the bandwidth for our internet. The increase is needed due to the increasing use of streaming videos and etc. used for instruction. Mr. Azwell will contact a few different vendors to see what our options are.

**Superintendent Dotson Bradbury** explained the governor's current proposal for school finance. He also gave the Board a computer printout from KSDE (Kansas State Department of Education) showing the effects when the supplemental general state aid is prorated at 85.7 percent for districts with a low assessed valuation.

**Principal Rick Smith** arrived at 7:27 pm

**Three Lakes Educational Coop** – Lisa Reece reported that there still are no bidders on the TLC building in Osage City that is for sale. The realtor will be lowering the price periodically.

**Recreation Commission Audits,**

**Surplus Property Bids,**

**Audit Contract for the 2011-2012 School Year,**

**Long Range Facilities Planning Committee Appointments,**

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant.**

**Travel Request**

**Recreation Commission Audit Reports**

Mr. Bradbury explained the audit reports for all three recreation commissions. The auditor was unable to complete audits for any of the commissions due to missing information. The Board asked that Mr. Bradbury contact each commission president and treasurer and suggest that a uniform accounting system be established and that the treasurers have training from district office staff.

**Surplus Property Bids**

One of the successful bidders from last month's surplus bids did not take possession of the 1993 Ford F350 Econoline van. A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Sherry Harris to reject all previous bids on this van and to rebid the vehicle.

Carried: 7-0

**Audit Contract for the 2011-2012 School Year**

A motion was made by Sherry Harris and seconded by Lisa Reece to approve the contract with Lowenthal, Webb & Odermann. There will be a fee of increase of \$140.00

Carried: 7-0

**Long Range Facilities Planning Committee**

Previously each board member was asked to recruit two community members to serve on the planning committee and bring those names to the January meeting. Those names were given to the board clerk and Mr. Bradbury will contact each member. This committee will compose a survey to be sent to all district patrons for input.

Mr. Bradbury gave all board members an analysis of the impact of a mill levy, both with and without state aid. This analysis was prepared by Greg Vahrenberg of Piper Jaffray.

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant**

A motion was made by Stacy Hower and seconded by Lisa Reece to approve and authorize the implementation of the grant. This grant is for both an after-school and summer program for students in grades 2-8.

Carried: 7-0

**Travel Request**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Tim Matthias to accept the following travel request:

- Janet Ashburn to attend the KMEA Workshop in Wichita – Feb. 23-25

Carried: 7-0

**Executive Session**

A motion was made by Sherry Harris and seconded by Tim Matthias at 8:40 pm to enter executive session for 30 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed and for the purpose of discussing negotiations to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract and for discussing matters affecting a student to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed. Mrs. Brandt was asked to remain.

Carried: 7-0

Mrs. Brandt exited executive session at 8:45 pm

**The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 9:10 pm**

**Executive  
Session Cont.**

A motion was made by Curt Altic and seconded by Sherry Harris at 9:10 pm to re-enter executive session for 5 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed and for the purpose of discussing negotiations to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract and for discussing matters affecting a student to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed.

Carried:7-0

**The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 9:15 pm**

A motion was made by Curt Altic and seconded by Sherry Harris at 9:15 pm to re-enter executive session for 15 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed and for the purpose of discussing negotiations to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract and for discussing matters affecting a student to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed and for the superintendent's evaluation.

Carried:7-0

Mr. Bradbury exited executive session at 9:15 pm

**The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 9:30 pm**

A motion was made by Curt Altic and seconded by Sherry Harris at 9:30 pm to re-enter executive session for 10 minutes for the purpose of the superintendent's evaluation.

Carried:7-0

**The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 9:40 pm**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Thayne Bush at 9:40 pm to re-enter executive session for 5 minutes for the purpose of the superintendent's evaluation.

Carried:7-0

**The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 9:45 pm**

**Employment Recommendations**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Stacia Spencer to accept the following employment recommendations:

**Resignation/Retirement**

- Jeff Smith – Middle School Girls Basketball Coach
- Cynthia Randle – AES – Custodian
- Chuck Lee – WFHS Teacher – Retirement at the end of the school year
- Bev Bird – WES Title 1 Teacher – Retirement at the end of the school year
- Patty Nelson – AES Teacher – Retirement at the end of the school year
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**Employment**

- Susan Zentz – WFHS – Mentor Teacher

Carried: 7-0

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Stacy Hower and seconded by Tim Matthias to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 pm.

Carried: 7-0

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Teresa Hawkins, Clerk

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Thayne Bush, President