

# West Franklin USD 287

Board of Education Meeting  
Education Center  
510 E. Franklin  
Pomona, Ks 66076  
Monday, November 14, 2011  
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, Principals Rick Smith, Robert Allen and Susan Wildeman, Curriculum Director Andy Azwell, Virginia Cook, Brian Setley, Jerry Engel, Bill Lloyd, Megan Patton-Paulson and Audrey Odermann

## Amend Agenda

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Stacia Spencer to amend the agenda by adding:

- 4.7 Vision Statement
- 4.8 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant

Carried: 7-0

## Approve Consent Agenda

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

- Minutes of the October 10 & 19, 2011 Meetings
- Financial Reports/Pay Bills

Carried: 7-0

## Patron Forum

Jerry Engel thanked the board for his new utility truck.

## Reports

**Principal Susan Wildeman** had nothing to add to her report in the board management letter.

**Reports Cont.**

**Principal Rick Smith** gave the board documentation regarding the high school and middle school 2011 state assessment data. This data shows the growth achieved in math and reading for both the high school and middle school. The middle school made Standard of Excellence in both reading and math and the high school in math. Mr. Smith sets goals each year for every student, which helps both the students and teachers stay focused. He also meets one-on-one with each student to discuss their individual goal.

**Curriculum Director Andy Azwell** reported that he had recently visited the Joplin, Missouri school district to discuss how and why they are going to a textbookless curriculum.

**Superintendent Dotson Bradbury** had nothing to add to his report in the board management letter.

**Three Lakes Educational Coop** - Lisa Reece had nothing to add to her report.

**Audit Report, Donations,**  
**Travel Request,**  
**Technology Server Bids,**  
**Surplus Property, Facilities,**  
**Vision Statement, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant**

**Audit Report**

Audrey Odermann, from the CPA firm of Lowenthal, Webb & Odermann reviewed the audit for the 2010-2011 school year.

**Donations**

A motion was made by Tim Matthias and seconded by Lisa Reece to accept the donation of \$50.00 from the Kansas Pork Producers, which is to go to the WFHS FACS program and the donation of \$625.00 to Williamsburg Elementary from McDonalds for volunteering at their McTeacher Night.

Carried: 7-0

**Travel Requests**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Stacy Hower to approve the following travel requests:

- AES 1<sup>st</sup> Grade for their annual end-of-the-year trip to Kansas City, Mo.
- WFMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade for their annual ski trip to Weston, Mo
- Angelle Higbie to KAAE annual conference in Pittsburg, Ks – Jan 26<sup>th</sup> – 29th

Carried: 7-0

**Technology Server Bids**

A motion was made by Stacy Hower and seconded by Tim Matthias to approve the bid of \$15,876.04 for 6 servers and to authorize the migration from Novel to the Microsoft Windows operating system.

Carried: 7-0

**Surplus Property**

A motion was made by Stacy Hower and seconded by Lisa Reece to declare vans #87 and #84 and utility pick-up #78 as surplus property and to be sold by sealed bids and to also declare a lawn mower snowblade as surplus and to be donated to the metal collection at Williamsburg.

Carried: 7-0

A motion was made by Thayne Bush and seconded by Tim Matthias to donate the second half of the salvage proceeds for the two (2) school buses that were donated to the Pomona Fire Department at the October 10, 2011 school board meeting for their use in extrication training. (original donation in October was for ½ the proceeds to go to the Pomona Fire Department and ½ to go to USD 287)

Carried: 7-0

**Facilities**

Mr. Bradbury explained the current list of needed repairs for each building, with a rough estimated cost of \$11,999,500. This list was discussed, along with possible methods of funding the needed repairs. Each board member will prioritize ten (10) items from the list that they believe is most important ones to concentrate on at the current time and give their lists to the superintendent, who will then compile a new list using only the items each board member selected.

**Vision Statement**

Mr. Bradbury explained the Vision Statement that was created by the six Coop district superintendents and board presidents. This statement mentions that each district expects their school be a center where students are provided a well rounded educational program that includes a variety of curriculum offering and extra-curricular opportunities. It also mentions the difficulty in maintaining this kind of learning experience with the on-going revenue reductions in state aid. This vision statement will be mailed to area legislatures. A motion was made by Stacy Hower and seconded by Curt Altic to approve the proposed vision statement.

Carried: 7-0

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

A motion was made by Stacy Hower and seconded by Stacia Spencer to authorize applying for the grant.

Carried: 7-0

**Break**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Stacy Hower at 8:15 pm to take a 5 minute break.

Carried: 7-0

**The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 8:20 pm**

**Executive Session**

A motion was made by Thane Bush and seconded by Lisa Reece at 8:20 pm to 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.

Carried: 7-0

**The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 8:35 pm**

**Executive Session Cont.**

A motion was made by Thayne Bush and seconded by Lisa Reece at 8:35 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.

Carried:7-0

**The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 8:40 pm**

**Employment Recommendations**

**Negotiations**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Stacy Hower to accept the amended Negotiated Agreement. (retirement incentive of \$10,000 which will be effective November 15, 2011 and will expire at 12:00 pm (noon) on January 5, 2012)

Carried: 7-0

**Resignation/Retirement**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Sherry Harris to accept the resignation of Jon Horne, WFLC teacher aid and to also accept the retirement of Jo Ann Stigall, with great appreciation for her many years of service to West Franklin USD 287.

Carried: 7-0

**Employment**

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

- Lance Fuller – WFHS – Assistant HS Boys Basketball Coach
- Brandon Parks – WFMS – Assistant MS Boys BB Coach
- Michelle Giesy – WFHS – Assistant Girls Softball Coach
- Fred Dowd – WFLC – Teacher Aid

Carried: 7-0

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Tim Matthias to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm.

Carried: 7-0

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Teresa Hawkins, Clerk

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Thayne Bush, President