

West Franklin USD 287

Board of Education Meeting
Education Center
510 E. Franklin
Pomona, Ks 66076
Monday, February 8, 2010
7:00 pm

Call to Order

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

Thayne Bush	Dave McClain
Sherry Harris	Lisa Reece
Stacy Hower	Nancy Reed

Also present: Mr. Dotson Bradbury, Superintendent, Teresa Hawkins, Clerk, Principals Rick Smith, Robert Allen, Susan Wildeman and Cathy Brandt, Curriculum Director Andy Azwell, and Megan Patton

Approve Consent Agenda

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

- Minutes of the January 11, 2010 Meeting
- Financial Reports/Pay Bills

Carried: 7-0

Patron Forum

No one addressed the board

Reports

Principal Robert Allen highlighted a recent article in the Ottawa Herald regarding the West Franklin Learning Center's backpack program. He thanked Megan Patton, Ottawa Herald reporter, for all the positive publicity.

Principal Rick Smith informed the board that a Physics/Chemistry teacher has been hired for the 2010-11 school year. This teacher has an engineering degree and is currently an instructor and oversees the physics lab at Emporia State University. Mr. Smith also stated that he would be conducting interviews for the music and math positions in the near future.

Principal Susan Wildeman reported that the Ottawa Municipal Auditorium will be hosting a Broadway production of "Your're A Good Man Charlie Brown". Both Williamsburg and Appanoose Elementary students will attend this performance at the cost of \$1 per student. The PTO's will pay for all transportation costs.

Principal Cathy Brandt reported that she has ordered the wind turbine.

Curriculum Director Andy Azwell reported that the laptop computers that were ordered in January are in. He has them up and running in Patrick Bromley's room and will also have them installed in Connie Wadkin's room in the very near future. Mr. Azwell also noted that several computers have been donated to USD #287 from the USDA Rural Development Office in Topeka, and are all in excellent condition.

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

WES Site Council: Susan Wildeman reported that the site council has met once and discussed the effects that the economy and state deficit issues will have on Williamsburg Elementary. The next meeting is scheduled for this week and a few of the topics the council plan to discuss are: staffing, incoming kindergarten numbers, and state assessments.

Driver Education Fees,
Travel Requests,
School Calendar,
Grant Acceptance,
Computer Donation

Driver Education Fees

A Motion was made by Stacy Hower and seconded by Lisa Reece to hold the Driver Education fee at last year's rate of \$175.00.

Carried: 7-0

Travel Requests

A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Sherry Harris to approve the following travel requests:

- Darrell McCune to attend the Kansas Music Educators Conference in Wichita on February 26 & 27, 2010.
- Merritta Combs and FCCLA students to attend the FCCLA conference in Wichita on April 11-13, 2010.
- Robert Allen, Merritta Combs, Troy Ifland and Deloris Mobley to attend a Career Pathways Vocational Education conference in Wichita on February 22 & 23, 2010.

Carried: 7-0

School Calendar

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Chuck Campfield to adopt the proposed calendar for the 2010-2011 school year.

Carried: 7-0

Grant Acceptance

Robert Allen informed the board of two grants he has received. 1) \$2,400 state grant that is to be used for vocational curriculum and 2) \$90,500 State Farm Youth Advisory Grant (this is a grant awarded on the national level). This grant will be used for the installation of a watering system for the WFHS football field. Rain water will be funneled into a holding tank and then pumped to water the football field, creating a 30% reduction in water use. This project will involve the science, math and housebuilding classes. This grant will also be used for improvements to the West Franklin Learning Center kitchen and to build a greenhouse. Learning Center students donate some of their produce that is grown and canned to local charities.

Cathy Brant has also received a \$7,000 grant from the Kansas Department of Health & Environment. This will be used to fund the next phase of their playground project. She thanked Sherry Reed and PTO president Shay Shotton for writing this grant. Mrs. Brandt plans to write another grant later on to fund more playground equipment for the older students.

Both Mr. Allen and Mrs. Brandt stated that they had received the money from their Target Grants that was accepted in January.

A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Lisa Reece to accept all three grants.

Carried: 7-0

Chuck Campfield, on behalf of the school board, thanked both Mr. Allen and Mrs. Brandt for all their work in obtaining these grants.

Donation of Computers

Andy Azwell informed the board that the USDA Rural Development Office in Topeka had donated 11 desktop computers and 2 laptop computers. These computers are all in excellent condition and will be used to replace the oldest computers in the AES computer lab. A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Lisa Reece to accept the donation of computers.

Carried: 7-0

**Executive
Session**

A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Stacy Hower at 7:20 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.

Carried: 7-0

The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 7:35 pm

Employment Recommendations

A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Nancy Reed to accept the following **resignations**:

- Kyle Conley – Asst. HS Track Coach
- Aaron Leonard – WFHS – Music Teacher
- Jessica Endersbe – WFHS – Food Service

Carried: 7-0

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Nancy Reed for the **Intent to Non-Renew the following Non-Tenured Teachers**:

- Jessica Duvall – WES – Elementary Teacher
- Thomas Hornung – WFHS – Mathematics Teacher

Carried: 7-0

A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Stacy Hower to accept the following **employment recommendations**:

- Trish Rogers – WFMS – Asst. Track Coach
- James Holliday – WFHS – Science Teacher

Carried: 7-0

Adjournment

A motion was made by Stacy Hower and seconded by Chuck Campfield to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 pm.

Carried: 7-0

Teresa Hawkins, Clerk

Chuck Campfield, President