

Official Minutes
Weld Re-3(J) Board of Education
 Regular Meeting Minutes
 April 22, 2015

1. **Call to Order** by President Haffner @ 7:04pm
2. **Roll Call** Baumgartner, Gustafson, Haffner, Jensen and Veldhuizen present
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Approval of Agenda**
 Baumgartner moved to approve the amended board agenda.
 Gustafson seconded the motion.

Baumgartner –Yes	Gustafson – Yes	Haffner – Yes	Jensen – Yes	Veldhuizen – Yes
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5. **Public Open Forum**

5.1 **Recognition of Visitors**

5.2 **General Public Comment**

Deb Schwartz formally invited the Board to attend Literacy Night at Hoff on Friday, April 24th at 6:00.

5.3 **Correspondence**

6. **Special Recognition**

6.1 **Recognition of Ronda Soliz, Judy Orbanosky & Daniel Kennedy**

Ronda Soliz, new Hoff Principal, Judy Orbanosky, new Executive Director of Achievement, and Daniel Kennedy, new WCHS Principal were present for introductions to Board members.

7. **Amended Board Consent Agenda**

7.1 **Approval: March 25, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes**

7.2 **Approval: April 8, 2015 Work Session Meeting Minutes**

7.3 **Approval: March Financial Reports**

7.4 **Approval: Resignations/Retirements**

- Susan Colvin – Bus Driver @ Transportation
- Robert Dennis – Bus Driver @ Transportation
- Marge Schweitzer – Cook @ WCHS
- Rebecca Harmon-Sneller – SPED Teacher @ CCA
- Kerstin Benson – Kindergarten Teacher @ Lochbuie –will not return from Leave of Absence
- Mary Wafel – Substitute Teacher
- Anne Carrillo – Kindergarten Teacher @ Lochbuie
- Carol Robertson – 3rd Grade Teacher @ Lochbuie
- Roxanne Martinez – Bus Driver @ Transportation (will work a transitional contract for 2015-2016)
- Alice Tucker – Bus Driver @ Transportation (will work a transitional contract for 2015-2016)

7.5 **Approval: Contracts for Licensed Employees**

- Cynthia Rapp – Psych Intern
- Keri Muziker – Psych Intern
- Amanda Grady – Reemployment from Kindergarten Teacher @ Lochbuie to Kindergarten Teacher @ Lochbuie for 2015-2016
- Erin Motta – Reemployment from 4th Grade Teacher @ Hudson to 4th Grade Teacher @ Hudson for 2015-2016
- Daniel Kennedy – Principal @ WCHS
- Ryan Smith – Science Teacher @ WCHS
- Shannon Koester – Preschool Coordinator

7.6 **Approval: Letters of Employment for Classified Personnel**

- Jennifer Prosser – Aide Instructional @ Lochbuie

7.7 Approval: Intra-School/Intra-District Staff Transfers 2014-2015

- Shannon Humphrey – Transfer from Secretary @ Transportation to Counseling Secretary @ WCHS
- Michele Dragon – Substitute Custodian to Custodian @ WCMS

7.8 Approval: Resignations for 2014-2015 Coaching/Extra Duty Employment Agreement/Notice of Assignment

- Sarah Reed – Co-Head/Co-Assistant Thespian Coach @ WCHS

7.9 Approval: Additions to the 2014-2015 Substitute Teaching List

- Larry Newcomer
- Alicia Marseilles

7.10 Approval: Monitoring Review Cycle

- EL-7 Instructional Materials Selection and Adoption
- EL-16 Financial Administration
- EL-17 Asset Protection

7.11 Approval: Intra-District Open Enrollment Student Requests for 2014-2015

7.12 Approval: Intra-School/Intra-District Staff Transfers 2015-2016

- Shara McCray – Transfer from 1st Grade Teacher @ Hoff to Kindergarten Teacher @ Lochbuie
- Krista Reininger – Transfer from Kindergarten Teacher @ Hudson to 2nd Grade Teacher @ Hudson

8. Action/Discussion/Policy 2nd Reading

8.1 Approval of Athletic Reductions for 2015-2016

The Budget Accommodation Proposal has been discussed by the Board at multiple, previous meetings. Administration recommended the listed athletic reductions as presented for the 2015-2016 school year. Veldhuizen moved to eliminate low participation sports at the high school level of tennis and cross country and at the middle school level of wrestling and cross country for a savings of \$29,320. Baumgartner seconded the motion.

Baumgartner –Yes	Gustafson – Yes	Haffner – Yes	Jensen – Yes	Veldhuizen – Yes
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8.2 Approval of the Reduction of Ag Teacher Extended Day Contracts

Administration recommended a decrease in extended contract days for Ag teachers for the 2015-2016 school year. The reduction is from 40 extra days per teacher to 25. An extensive analysis of regional district comparisons was completed in coming up with this recommendation. Baumgartner moved to reduce the Ag Teacher Contracts from 40 days to 25 days. Jensen seconded the motion.

Baumgartner –Yes	Gustafson – Yes	Haffner – Yes	Jensen – Yes	Veldhuizen – Yes
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8.3 Approval of the Public Policy Services Engagement Agreement with GKBaum

A copy of the Public Policy Services Engagement Agreement from GKBaum was provided. The Board Attorney has reviewed and made revisions to the document. Once approved, the document will allow GKBaum representatives to begin advising on the MLO and Bond process. Veldhuizen moved to approve the Public Policy Services Engagement Agreement with GKBaum with the date change on page 3. Gustafson seconded the motion.

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8.4 Approval of the Investment Banking Engagement Agreement with GKBaum

A copy of the Investment Banking Engagement Agreement from GKBaum was provided. The Board Attorney has reviewed and made revisions to the document. Veldhuizen moved to approve the Investment Banking Engagement Agreement with GKBaum. Baumgartner seconded the motion.

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8.5 Approval of Revisions to the 2015-2016 School Calendar

A revised version of the 2015-2016 School Calendar was provided. Dates were modified to accommodate SEWC Fair. Administration and the Superintendent’s Advisory Council were consulted on the proposed modification. Students would attend on Wednesday and Thursday of opening week rather than Thursday and Friday. This will allow students to participate in Fair events on Friday without missing school. Staff inservice will occur on Friday, August 14. Communication to all parents/guardians will occur via email, district/school websites, district newsletter, and school newsletters.

Jensen moved to accept the calendar as presented with students starting on the 12th.

Gustafson seconded the motion.

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8.6 Approval of Resolution Restoring the Negative Factor Before Providing TABOR Refunds as a Statewide Priority

Resolution #5-2015 Resolution Restoring the Negative Factor Before Providing TABOR Refunds as a Statewide Priority, a resolution proposed by Mr. Haffner as a means of supporting restoration of the Negative Factor. The signed document will be sent to CASB representatives.

Veldhuizen moved to approve Resolution #5-2015 a Resolution of the Board of Education Restoring the Negative Factor Before Providing TABOR Refunds as a Statewide Priority.

Gustafson seconded the motion.

Baumgartner –Yes	Gustafson – Yes	Haffner – Yes	Jensen – Yes	Veldhuizen – Yes
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9. Information/Discussion/Policy 1st Reading

9.1 Budget Update & Forecasting

Ms. Clark updated the Board with new information regarding projected expenditures and revenue for FY16. Information on the Governor’s proposed 5-Point plan was shared. Ms. Clark also presented preliminary information to the Board regarding licensed staff salary increases.

9.2 Discussion regarding potential 2016 Bond and/or MLO Election

The Board discussed a 2016 MLO and/or Bond Election. Administration shared next steps in the process with GKBAum and the beginnings of planning for a master facility study. Dr. Rabenhorst and Ms. Clark will meet with GKBAum next Monday morning.

9.3 Review of the District Unified Improvement Plan

A condensed version of the Unified Improvement Plan was provided for review. The full UIP was provided to CDE on April 15th. Ms. Bracken provided an overview of the improvement strategies in place for the upcoming school year. Major strategies targeted improvement in the areas of math and English Language Learning.

9.4 Review of the 2015-2016 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

A copy of the proposed 2015-2016 Board of Education Meeting Schedule was reviewed. Board/Community Dialogue Sessions were built into the schedule. Start times were modified based on previous Board discussions.

9.5 E-15 (EIE) Compliance with the Affordable Care Act (new policy)

A copy of policy E-15 (EIE) Compliance with the Affordable Care Act was presented. This policy is recommended by CASB. The policy helps protect the district in the event of an IRS audit.

10. Superintendent Reports and Presentations

10.1 Enrollment Projections

Dr. Rabenhorst provided current enrollment projections for the 2015-2016 school year. He noted that the early registration process has begun. Kindergarten enrollment projections are likely conservative at this point.

Dr. Rabenhorst presented the Security Management Magazine that contains an article about BluePoint Alert System and highlights this notification system that was recently put in place at WCHS.

11. Board Member Reports/Discussion

Director Jensen mentioned that the Meet & Confer committee is making progress. He also mentioned that DAC will be looking for new members.

Director Haffner thanked the Board for participating in the We Care event.

Director Gustafson mentioned that she and Director Baumgartner attended After Prom. She was pleased at the turnout of parent chaperones and noted that the students were enjoying themselves.

Director Veldhuizen passed out information on a forum that is happening at the Keenesburg Legion. She also talked about the “I wish my teacher knew...” article that has been circulating in the media.

12. Adjournment @ 8:20pm.