

WDS Board of Education Monthly Meeting Minutes

DATE: November 20, 2023

PLACE: VAC

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Mahoney, Tim Cross, Paula Martin, Shannon McGoran, Melissa Moore, Jimmy TenBrink, Rachel Fekken

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Jerry McDowell, Steve Aardema, Kirsten Bolles, other staff and community members

President Fekken called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Motion Martin / TenBrink moved to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes (7) Martin, TenBrink, McGoran, Cross, Mahoney, Moore, Fekken

Nays (0)

Motion Carried

Public Comment

C. Normandin – Millage

T. Ziemer – Millage

M. Dillon – Millage

D. Goodrich – Thank You

D. Koegel – Appreciation

A. Peterson – Thank You

D. Taranko – Thank You

Consent Action Agenda

Motion McGoran / Martin moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Ayes (7) McGoran, Martin, TenBrink, Mahoney, Cross, Moore, Fekken

Nays (0)

Motion Carried

Minutes of meetings dated October 9, October 19, disbursements for the month of October, 2023 which include: general fund - \$409,191.80, community education - \$22,836.58, food service - \$12,879.24, technology MAISD - \$5,220.79, activity accounts - \$15,655.60, common debt - \$0, capital projects - \$0; HS Trip Request; BRA, LDFA and TIFA Representative.

Dr. Colflesh and Dr. Usiak presented Shoreline Principal, Beth Whaley, with the Nancy Colflesh Distinguished Alumni Award.

Committee Meeting Reports and any Board Discussions

Finance –

Policy – Paula Martin gave brief update about the policy update meeting.

Facilities –

Personnel –

Unfinished Business - None

First Reading Policy Updates

Board reviewed the policy updates. Will be reviewed and adopted at next board meeting.

High School Sex Ed Curriculum Approval

Motion Mahoney / TenBrink moved to approve the high school 23-24 sex ed curriculum that was presented at two public review sessions on August 22 and September 20.

McGoran stated that she appreciates that we offer a safe space for students and likes that abstinence is mentioned several places within the curriculum. While she does not agree with all of the content of the curriculum, she understands that parents have the review and opt-out right. Moore pointed out that for some students, school is the only place they will learn about the topic. Fekken noted that we trust the educators to provide a good understanding and education to every student. TenBrink mentioned that he was once told by a former board member that we (the board) represent every student in the district.

Ayes (5) Mahoney, TenBrink, Moore, Martin, Fekken

Nays (2) McGoran, Cross

Motion Carried

Superintendent Report

Dr. McDowell shared the total expenditures of the bond. To date, the district has spent \$12,574 and expects one more charge of approximately \$11,000, bringing the grand total to \$24,000. There was no cost to the All-In videos. Any of the yes or no signs were paid for independently. National Honor Society has held a blood drive, collecting more than 40 pints of blood, raising money for U.S. Veterans, provided monthly meals and will be holding a community breakfast with Santa.

Adjournment

Motion TenBrink / Cross moved to adjourn.

Ayes (7) TenBrink, Cross, Mahoney, McGoran, Martin, Moore, Fekken

Nays (0)

Motion Carried

Adjourned at 7:25 p.m.



Board Secretary/Designee