

WDS Board of Education Monthly Meeting Minutes

DATE: February 10, 2025

PLACE: VAC

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jimmy TenBrink

OTHERS PRESENT: CJ Van Wieren, Kirsten Bolles, Tyler Van Antwerp, other staff and community members

Ms. Fekken called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Motion Cross/Martin to approve agenda as presented.

Ayes (6) Cross, Martin, Mahoney, Moore, McGoran, Fekken

Nays (0)

Motion Carried

Public Comment

D. Daggett – Coach Concern

Consent Action Agenda

Motion Moore/Martin to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Ayes (6) Moore, Martin, Mahoney, TenBrink, McGoran, Fekken

Nays (0)

Motion Carried

Items Approved: Minutes of meetings dated January 13; disbursements for the month of January 2025: general fund \$493,834.99, community education \$27,598.64, food service \$8,518.25, technology and security fund \$222.06, activity accounts \$19,634.26, common debt \$0, capital projects \$0.

Student Representative

Student Rep Tyler Van Antwerp shared updates from the following eight clubs offered at the high school: NHS Blood Drive, Chess Club, FFA, Quiz Bowl, National History Day, Robotics, Writing Club, Business Professionals of America.

Committee Reports

Personnel committee member Moore shared that at the recent committee meeting, the list of upcoming retirees was discussed.

Unfinished Business – Board member McGoran expressed her appreciation on the Veteran's recognition received at a girls' basketball game recently, thanked the building administrators for the cards and tokens of thanks during Board Appreciation month. Secretary Martin completed MASB's CBA 232: Communicating Effectively in Difficult Times Webinar.

MAISD 2025 – 2026 Schools of Choice Participation Resolution

Motion Mahoney/Cross to adopt the resolution to participate in the MAISD Schools of Choice Program for the 25-26 school year.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes (6) Mahoney, Cross, Martin, Moore, McGoran, Fekken

Nays (0)

Motion Carried

Interagency Agreement between WDS and Hackley Community Care

Motion Moore/Martin to approve the Interagency Agreement between Whitehall District Schools and Hackley Community Care to operate a E3 Model, School Based Health Service Program at Whitehall Middle School.

Ayes (6) Moore, Martin, McGoran, Cross, Mahoney, Fekken

Nays (0)

Motion Carried

Monthly Financials

Mr. Van Wieren shared monthly financials with the Board. Noted that the expenses were up a bit due to the Transportation Dept. purchases: two vans, a backordered bus from the 22-23 school year plus two other buses purchased from storm damage in June, 2024.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Van Wieren stated that we have received four early retirement notices from employees that have all been in our district for twenty-five plus years. Mentioned the 100th day of school coming up and what a big deal that is especially in our Shoreline building as the students dress up as "100-year old's", noted the success of our Wrestling Team, as well as the 'Vikings First' Steak Fry which had over 200 people in attendance.

Public Comment

N/A

Adjournment

Motion Cross/Moore to adjourn.

Ayes (6) Cross, Moore, Martin, McGoran, Mahoney, Fekken

Nays (0)

Motion Carried

Adjourned at 7:01 p.m.



Board Secretary or Designee