

Wapello Community School District  
Board of Directors  
Regular Meeting  
5/3/2017

The Wapello Board of Education met in open session for their regular monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Administration Building Board Room. Those present included Duane Boysen, Doug Housman, Larry Miller, Eric Smith, Matt Stewart, Supt. Peterson, Steve Bohlen, Bill Plein, Nate Miller, Board Secretary Eric Small, and a representative of the news media was also present.

President Duane Boysen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Smith and seconded by Housman to approve the agenda. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Community Forum:** Fred Weyrick was present to talk to the board about an illuminated sign that would be placed near the highway adjacent to the football field. The sign would be used to promote school activities. Fred and Sydney Weyrick will work on doing some of the leg work to secure funding to pay for a sign like he presented. They will be talking with different clubs to see what kind of financial commitment they can secure. Once they have some firm numbers, they will report back on their findings.

**Special Commendations:**

- The board recognized the Students of the Month for the Month of April.
- Superintendent Peterson recognized the Board of Directors for School Board Appreciation Month and presented each of them with a certificate of appreciation

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Smith and seconded by Stewart to approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Approval of Bills:** Motion by Miller and seconded by Stewart to approve the bills presented for payment with added pre approvals. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Financial Report:** Motion by Smith and seconded by Housman to approve the financial report for April 2017. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Administrative Report:**

Supt. Peterson –

- Construction Update
- Legislative Update
- Bowdre Funeral
- Years of Service Recognition
- Updated Student Count

High School Principal Steve Bohlen

- Mr Bohlen expressed his thanks to students, staff, and the community for their care, compassion, and willingness to give at the time of Sierra Bowdre's Funeral
- May 14 is Baccalaureate at the Methodist Church
- May 17 is Senior Awards Night
- May 21 is Graduation

- May 24 will be Awards and PBIS Activities

Brett Nagle, Elementary Principal

- Planning for Summer School continues, 64 students are set to attend
- Plans continue for classes next year, some class rooms are being moved and personnel are moving within the building
- Elementary PBIS Team will be going to Des Moines on May 9 to receive an award and on May 10, the team will present a 90 minute presentation at a conference dealing with PBIS
- PBIS Fun Day will be on May 18
- End of the Year Activities
- The Elementary continues to look at data to make sure students are meeting the goals set forth for them. The building has gone from 47% to 71% proficient over the last two school years

Director of Technology, Nate Miller –

- Replacement Chromebook Keyboards
- School Registration through Power Schools is being set up for the 17-18 Registration Cycle
- Replacement Chrome Book Cart for 1<sup>st</sup> Grade is being priced for next school year
- Administration Wireless Problem
- Firewall Replacement Quote was Presented
- EOY Technology Sheets are starting to be returned from the staff
- Midwest Computer Products will be here Friday to discuss additional projectors for the district
- An Email reminder has been sent to the graduating seniors reminding them that their computer needs to be returned before graduating

Athletic Director – Bill Plein

- Spring Sports are starting to wind down
- Wapello will host the boys and girls district golf meet at Heritage Oaks
- Bleachers will be delivered and installed on May 12, they will also anchor all sets of bleachers to the concrete while they are here
- The baseball safety nets have been ordered and will be hung as soon as they arrive
- Alliant Energy has been contacted about a replacement pole near the baseball concession stand

## **Personnel**

### **a. Terminations**

### **b. Hires**

1. Summer School Teachers – Motion by Stewart and seconded by Housman to approve the list of teachers for Summer School. Those teachers include: Teresa Good, Leslie Small,

Beth Hines, Kortney Wagner, Kaci Small, Jessica Gustison, Cari Cline, Sarah Jurgill, Dayna Kinsey, Judy Gerst, Ashley Becker, and Laura Daisy. The motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

2. Summer Custodial Help – Jacob Truitt, Tariq Green, Abdul Green – Motion by Housman and seconded by Smith to approve the list of summer custodial help. Motion carried with a 3-2 (Boysen, Stewart) voice vote.

c. **Resignations**

d. **Transfers**

**New Business:**

**Consideration to Approve Fundraisers -**

1. Girls Basketball – Braided Bread

Motion by Stewart and seconded by Miller to approve the fundraiser list. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Report From Transportation Director-** Darren Wilson, Transportation Director was present to meet with the board and update them on what has happened at the Garage since he took over as director in January.

**Presentation on State Convention by FFA-** Members of the FFA that competed in the State Convention and contests were present to give the board an update on how they fared at the convention and contests.

**Consideration to Approve Rodeo Contracts** – Val Vineyard was present for Ms. Wanfalt who is in Oklahoma with the Soils Team competing at a National Contest to ask the board to approve contracts for the 2017 Rodeo. Those contracts are as follows:

Payment to Barnes PRCA Rodeo to purchase a used set of Gates, Chutes, and Pens - \$20,000; \$15,000 would be due before the 2017 Rodeo and \$5,000 would be due before the 2018 Rodeo. Motion by Stewart and seconded by Housman to approve the purchase of the gates, chutes, and pens. This purchase will complete the FFA Rodeo Arena. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

Contract with Hailey Whitters to serve as Entertainment after the Rodeo, in the amount of \$1,000 for a concert on Friday following the rodeo performance – Motion by Smith and seconded by Stewart to approve the contract for Hailey Whitters. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

Contract with Insane Impact for the Rodeo, this will provide a video board that can be used for instant replay, sponsors, and projecting the scores on the video board. Motion by Housman and seconded by Smith to approve the agreement with Insane Impact. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Consideration to Approve Review/Revisions to Board Policies** –Supt. Peterson recommended to the board that they approve the review of the following policies:

- 410.1 – Substitute Teachers
- 410.2 – Summer School Licensed Employees
- 410.3 – Truancy Officer
- 410.4 – Education Aide
- 410.5 – Student Teachers
- 410.6 – Payment to Staff Members for Substituting

Superintendent Peterson recommended no changes and asked that the board approve the review of the policies listed above. Motion by Stewart and seconded by Miller to approve review and revision to the board policies stated above. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Consideration to Approve Sharing Agreement with Columbus Community Schools for Elementary Counselor** - Motion by Stewart and seconded by Miller to approve the 2017-2018 Elementary Counselor Sharing Agreement with Columbus Community Schools. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Consideration To Approve A Group To Sell Water at Graduation** – Superintendent Peterson recommended that the board go ahead and give approval for a group to sell water bottles at the Graduation Ceremony. Currently no one has asked to do this, but giving approval will allow Superintendent Peterson to allow a group to fundraise some money if they seek approval. Motion by Stewart and seconded by Smith to give approval for a group to sell water at graduation. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Consideration To Approve The Class of 2017 for Graduation** – Motion by Stewart and seconded by Smith to Approve the Class of 2017 for Graduation providing that members of the class meet all requirements that are set forth by the district prior to the ceremony. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Consideration to Ratification of the 2017-2018 Master Agreement** – Superintendent Peterson reviewed the ratification of the 2017-2018 Master Agreement between the Wapello Education Association and the Wapello Community School District. Motion by Stewart and seconded by Housman to approve the 2017-2018 Master Agreement. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Consideration to Approve the FY16 District Audit**– The Audit did not arrive on time to be reviewed, this item will be placed on a future agenda to be reviewed. Motion by Stewart and seconded by Smith to table this item until the June meeting.

**Consideration to Approve Wage Increases for Non-Teaching Positions** – The board was presented with a wage increase package for the Non-Teaching Staff of the District. The proposed increase was a 1.42% total package increase, the same wage increase that was given to the teaching staff. Due to budget concerns Duane Boysen thought that maybe the district should freeze the salaries to help cushion further cuts that may to be made. Matt Stewart commented that he would be adamant that this same group would not see a freeze two years in a row. Motion by Stewart and seconded by Smith to freeze the wages of the Non-Teaching Staff for 2017-2018. Motion carried with a 4-1 (Miller) voice vote.

**Consideration to Approve Insurance Benefit for 2017-2018** – Superintendent Peterson, Duane Boysen, Matt Stewart and Eric Small met with Dennis Kreihbel recently to look at insurance benefits for the 2017-2018 school year. Superintendent Peterson presented what he felt was the most fair option to the employees of the district. Co-Pay and Deductible Changes are a part of this new package. The district will continue to pay for a full single at a rate of \$602.20. For family plans the employee cost will be raised from \$186.15 to \$330.45. The district will pay \$1,174.99 for each family policy per monthly.

This would raise the family contribution from a 13% contribution to a 22% employee contribution. Motion by Smith and seconded by Housman to approve the insurance package for 2017-2018. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Consideration to Approve Pay Applications 5 and 6 for Myers Construction on the Construction Project** – Myers Construction has submitted pay requests that the Architect has approved. Pay Request 5 is in the amount of \$288,559.36 and Pay Request 6 is in the amount of \$130,930.06. Motion by Smith and seconded by Miller to Pay Requests 5 and 6 from Myers Construction on the Gym Construction Project. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Consideration to Set Breakfast and Lunch Prices for 2017-2018** – Superintendent Peterson presented the proposed breakfast and lunch prices for 2017-2018. Food Service Director Kathy Begey proposed moving to a 3 tier system, and she had proposed increases of .60-.85 on lunches and .30 on breakfast. Superintendent Peterson recommended that the district consider something less. Motion by Housman and seconded by Stewart to stay with a two tier system and to raise lunch prices .25 per lunch and raise breakfast 0.10 per breakfast to approve the proposed breakfast and lunch prices for the 2017-2018 school year. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Consideration to Approve a 1 Year Audit Agreement Extension** - Eric Small recommended that the board approve a one year extension to the current agreement with Nolte, Cornman, and Johnson, to audit the district for FY17. A formal RFP for auditing services for 2018 – 2020 will be sent out and approved in the next fiscal year. Motion by Stewart and seconded by Housman to approve a one year extension to the audit contract for Nolte, Cornman, and Johnson to audit the district for FY17. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Set Date for June Board Meeting:**

Motion by Stewart and seconded by Smith to set the May Board Meeting for Wednesday June 3, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. The motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote.

**Adjournment:**

Motion by Stewart and seconded by Smith to adjourn. Motion carried with a 5-0 voice vote. Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.



Duane Boysen, President



Eric Small, Secretary