

Western School Corporation

Russiaville, IN 46979

July 8, 2008

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Western School Board of Trustees held on Tuesday, July 8, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. in the boardroom of the administration building.

Members Present: Harry Kenworthy, Mike Koloszar, Linda Singer, Jon Marley, Don Wells, and Connie Maugans.

Members Absent: Jeff Davidson

Others Present: Peter O' Rourke, Randy McCracken, Pat Grzesiak, Pam Carter, and Karen Keisling.

Mr. Marley led the prayer and Mr. Maugans led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #1 – Opening of Meeting

Mr. Maugans called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Item #2 – Approval of Agenda

Dr. O'Rourke asked that the Agenda be amended to include an additional item under Personnel. Mr. Koloszar so moved and Mr. Marley seconded the motion; the motion passed 6-0.

Item #3 – Approval of Minutes

Mr. Marley made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2008 special meeting and the June 17, 2008 regular meeting. Mr. Kenworthy seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

Item #4 – Opportunity for Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Item #5 – Resolution Regarding Student Retention

Mr. Wells made a motion to approve the resolution regarding retaining student(s) for athletic purposes. Mr. Kenworthy seconded the motion, which passed 6-0. A copy of this resolution is included as a permanent part of these minutes.

Item #6 – Personnel

- a. Mr. Koloszar made a motion to approve the resignation of Jim Verrett, effective June 27, 2008. Mr. Wells seconded the motion, which passed 6-0.
- b. Mr. Wells made a motion to approve the termination of Kellie Turner, effective June 27, 2008, and to provide Mrs. Turner with a two week severance package. Mrs. Singer seconded the motion which passed 6-0.
- c. Mr. Wells made a motion to approve the transfer of Abigail Rodgers from the position of Corporation Receptionist to the position of the Superintendent's Secretary, effective June 30, 2008 at the rate of \$14.31 per hour for 230 days per year. Mrs. Singer and Mr. Kenworthy questioned the transfer procedure, indicating that perhaps the position should have been posted. Mr. Marley seconded the motion which passed 6-0.
- d. Mrs. Singer made a motion to approve an extension of Jenny Eltringham's maternity leave from the previously approved date of September 8, 2008 to October 1, 2008. Mr. Wells seconded the motion, which passed 6-0.

Item #7 – Acceptance of Tennis Court Bids

Mr. Kenworthy made a motion to accept the bid submitted by Mohr Construction Company at \$192,150.00 for the removal and replacement of the existing tennis courts, new stone as required, paving with 2" Hot Asphalt Base, 1" Hot Mix Asphalt Surface, applying color sealer, restriping the courts and reinstalling fencing. Mr. Koloszar seconded the motion and the motion passed 6-0.

Item #8 – Reorganization for 2008-2009

- **Oath of Office** – Mrs. Keisling administered the oath of office to re-elected Board members Mrs. Singer and Mr. Wells.
- **Election of President** – Mr. Kenworthy made a motion to elect Mr. Maugans as President. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Singer and passed 5-0-1, with Mr. Maugans abstaining.

- **Election of Vice President** – Mr. Marley made a motion to elect Mr. Kenworthy as Vice President. Mr. Wells seconded the motion which passed 5-0-1, with Mr. Kenworthy abstaining.
- **Election of Secretary** – Mr. Marley made a motion to elect Mr. Koloszar as Secretary. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kenworthy, and passed 5-0-1, with Mr. Koloszar abstaining.
- **Appointment of Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer** – Dr. O’ Rourke recommended approval of Pam Carter as Treasurer and Carrie Mote as Deputy Treasurer, each bonded for \$100,000. Mr. Marley made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Wells, and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Bonding for ECA Treasurers** - Dr. O’Rourke recommended the following:

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| Sheila Morrow | High School |
| Debbie Wilson | Middle School |
| Patricia Fausett | Intermediate School |
| Robin Auth | Primary School |
| All bonded \$25,000 | |

Mr. Wells made a motion to approve, seconded by Mrs. Singer, and the motion passed unanimously.

- **Appointment of School Attorney** – Dr. O’ Rourke recommended that Jim McIntyre be appointed as school attorney for the 2008-2009 school year at the rate of \$145/hour. Mr. Marley made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Koloszar, and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Appointment of Legislative Liaison** – Mr. Marley made a motion to approve Linda Singer as the Legislative Liaison, seconded by Mr. Kenworthy, and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Authority to Appoint Board Members to Committees** – Dr. O’ Rourke recommended that the Board give him the authority to appoint committee members to various committees with approval from the Board President. Mr. Kenworthy made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Wells, and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Appointment of Bid Opening Committee** – Dr. O’Rourke recommended that the Board approve himself, Taffy Cooke, Randy McCracken, and Pat Grzesiak. Mrs. Singer made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Koloszar, and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Regular Meeting Dates/Times for 2008-2009**- Dr. O’Rourke recommended that the Board continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month with a couple of exceptions (list of dates provided). Mr. Wells made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Kenworthy, and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Special Meetings** – Dr. O’Rourke requested authority to call special board meetings based on the availability of a quorum of Board Members. Mr. Kenworthy made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Wells, and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Compensation for Board Members** – Mr. Koloszar made a motion to approve the rate of \$2,000/year as compensation for the Members, seconded by Mr. Marley and the motion passed unanimously.

- **Corporation Mileage Rate for 2008-2009** – Dr. O’Rourke recommended the Board approve the IRS rate, which is currently 58.5 cents per mile. Mr. Kenworthy made a motion to approve the recommendation, seconded by Mr. Marley, and the motion passed unanimously.

Item #9- Board Member Roundtable

Mr. Maugans informed the Board that there would be an executive session after the July 15, 2008 regular Board meeting to discuss the job performance of selected employees, including the Superintendent.

Item #10 – Signing of Documents

The proper documents were signed.

Item #11 – Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.