

WEST HOLT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
DISTRICT #239
ATKINSON, NEBRASKA
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
Monday, April 13, 2015

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of West Holt Public Schools, District #239, was held on Monday, April 13, 2015, in the Board Meeting Room. Meeting opened at 8:00 p.m. by President Jelinek. A complete copy of the Open Meeting Act was posted inside the meeting room, and a copy of all materials provided to the board was made available to the public in a folder.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the *Atkinson Graphic* on April 2, 2015, as shown by the Affidavit of Publication attached to these minutes. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously sent to all members and a copy of their acknowledgment and receipt of notice and agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice as is the notice to the members of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was opened to the attendance of the public. The agenda for the meeting is attached and incorporated into these minutes.

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Kelly Jelinek, Susan Judge, Mike Fredrick, Cathy Pacha, Brian Mlady, and Scott Gotschall. Also present were Bill McAllister, Kevin Young, Doug Gross, Paul Pistulka, Michelle Laetsch, Tammy Jeffrey, and Laurie Lieswald.

Moved by Mrs. Judge, seconded by Mr. Gotschall to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2015, meeting as printed. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Pacha, seconded by Mr. Mlady to approve the General Fund bills in the amount of \$137,435.67. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Fredrick, seconded by Mr. Gotschall to approve the Building Fund bills in the amount of \$20,239.40. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitors were recognized and any visitors not on the agenda wishing to address the board were invited to do so at this time.

Mr. Young gave the junior/senior high school principal's report to include recognition of Mrs. Linda Wolf as Teacher of the Year for NRCSA; upcoming activities including graduation, honor's night, various banquets, and hosting events of track invite, NVC, and district meets, boys' golf invite, and district music contest; planned community service/life skills day; NeSA testing; and music schedule.

Mr. Gross gave the elementary principal's report on various activities to include NeSA testing, Kid Safety Fair, elementary student assembly, ILCD Team Review, parent/teacher conferences, and Title I Peer Review.

Mr. McAllister reported on the following in his Superintendent's report: teacher contracts, graduation schedule, football field lights/speakers, end-of-year staff get-together, prom, summer to-do list, backboard lights, tree removal, and national bridge builder's competition.

Mr. Gotschall, board finance committee representative, gave the monthly expenditure report.

Mr. McAllister reviewed the updated building addition plans with the board.

Discussion item included special education issues.

Moved by Mr. Mlady, seconded by Mr. Gotschall to accept Mrs. Erica Wieseler's letter of resignation with regret. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gotschall, seconded by Mr. Jelinek to approve hiring an Early Childhood Special Education Teacher for the 2015-16 school year. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Pacha, seconded by Mr. Mlady to approve hiring Cindy Prater as Early Childhood Special Education Teacher for the 2015-16 school year. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gotschall, seconded by Mrs. Pacha to approve hiring Elizabeth Rogers as Music Teacher for the 2015-16 school year. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Jelinek, seconded by Mrs. Judge to approve the 2015-16 requisitions in the estimated amount of \$135,572.00. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

The following students were recognized for their recent accomplishments:

Bridge Builders – team won the school division at the State Competition with Brandon Jelinek & Mason Hale placing 8th, Alex Fritz placing 3rd, and Amber Frost placing 1st. Amber will be eligible to compete at the International Competition in Portland, Oregon, on April 25th.

FFA District Ag Ed – 1st Place Agronomy Team of Seth Wentworth, Breydon Mlady, Troy Childress, and Riley Bilstein; 1st Place Floriculture Team of Caitlin Butterfield, Cassidy Jelinek, Evan Laible, and Jessie Mohnsen; 1st Place Nursery & Landscape Team of Paige Mitchell, Megan Bilstein, Caitlyn Nelson, and Jake Judge; 2nd Place Biotechnology Team of Mackenzie Hale, Seth Hytrek, Eddie Fredrick, and Emma Laible; 2nd Place Food Science Team of Jenae Osborne, Emily Burk, Bailey Kraus, Julia Wollsen, and Erin Thompson; 2nd Place Veterinary Science Team of Lindy Woita, Taylor Deseive, Courtney Hostert, and Hannah Hart; 2nd Place Ag Mechanics Team of Troy Childress, Aaron Seger, Kyle Linders, and Riley Bilstein; 2nd Place Agriscience Team of Emily Burk, Brandon Jelinek, Bailey Kraus, and Dani Laible.

Boys' Basketball – All-Conference recognition by NVC coaches: Riley Bilstein, 1st Team; Aaron Seger & Bryce Kerkman, 2nd Team; Jeffrey Judge, Josiah McAllister, and Sawyer Williams, Honorable Mention.

Girls' Basketball – All-Conference recognition by NVC coaches: Bailey Kraus, 2nd Team; Jessie Mohnsen, Honorable Mention.

Wrestling – named to the NVC All-Conference Team: 1st, Jake Judge (132); 2nd, Breydon Mlady (145); 1st Viktor Jonseth (170).

Pope John Jr. High Academic Contest – 4th Place, Anna Albrecht in Informative Speaking and Jocelyn Hamilton in Humorous Prose; 2nd Place, Ben Thiele in Vocabulary and Gabby Wright in Spelling; 1st Place, Lindee Wentworth in Language and Justice May in Poetry.

NVC Quiz Bowl – team of Alex Fritz, Aaron Johnson, Jacob Tasler, Paige Mitchell, Viktor Jonseth, Josiah McAllister, Kyle Linders, Jake Judge, Dennis McDermott, and Kyla Wallinger placed 1st out of 17 teams.

Chadron Scholastics – team won Division IV; individual medalists were Riley Bilstein, 2nd in Agronomy and Rangeland Management; Mason Hale, 1st in Algebra 1; Lindy Woita, 2nd in Veterinary Science; Kyle Linders, 2nd in General Anatomy and Physiology.

State Speech – team of Emma Laible, Josiah McAllister, Alex Fritz, and McKenna Young placed 3rd, just 10 points behind the team champions. Josiah & McKenna placed 3rd in Duet Acting; McKenna was the champion in Poetry; Alex placed 4th in Humorous Prose and was the champion in Informative.

Moved by Mr. Gotschall, seconded by Mr. Fredrick to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, May 11, 2015, at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room.

Mike Fredrick, Secretary