

WEST HOLT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
DISTRICT #239
ATKINSON, NEBRASKA
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
Monday, April 12, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of West Holt Public Schools, District #239, was held on Monday, April 12, 2021, in the Board Meeting Room. Meeting opened at 8:00 p.m. by President Jelinek. A complete copy of the Open Meetings 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 on the West Holt Public School's website on March 9, 2021, and thereafter, and in the *Atkinson Graphic* on April 1, 2021, 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, Nick Konrad, Brian Mlady, and Scott Gotschall. Also present were Paul Pistulka, Kevin Young, Tracy Larson, Michelle Laetsch, and Laurie Lieswald.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Mrs. Judge, seconded by Mr. Konrad to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2021, regular meeting, and both March 29, 2021, work sessions for strategic planning, as printed. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gotschall, seconded by Mr. Mlady to approve the General Fund bills in the amount of \$70,525.74. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Mlady, seconded by Mr. Gotschall to approve the Building Fund bills in the amount of \$1,000.50. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Mr. Young gave the junior/senior high principal/AD reports to include academic contest results, upcoming activities, and graduation.

Mrs. Larson gave the elementary principal/curriculum reports to include NSCAS testing, spring parent/teacher conference attendance, planned field trips/Outdoor Education, and updating high school Science curriculum.

Mr. Pistulka gave the superintendent report to include finances, personnel, curricular needs, requisitions, buildings/grounds, transportation, COVID-19 update, revised health standards draft from NDE, summer things to consider, a review of agenda action items, and strategic plan meetings overview.

Discussion was held on policy changes to 5003 and 6007 involving part-time enrollment and class rank, transportation issues, and completing the back driveway.

Mr. Jelinek appointed himself, Mr. Fredrick, and Mr. Gotschall to an ad hoc transportation committee.

Moved by Mr. Konrad, seconded by Mr. Jelinek to approve hiring Jenna Welborn as District Bookkeeper. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Fredrick, seconded by Mrs. Judge to approve West Holt Public Schools to utilize Implementation Consulting Group to assist in implementing MTSS-Math in the elementary school, as presented, for a cost of \$55,000.00 over 25 months to be paid for with ESSER II funds. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gotschall, seconded by Mr. Mlady to approve the replacement of the HVAC system in the lecture hall by Kratz Services, Inc. for an estimated price of \$98,057.00, as presented, to be paid for with ESSER II funds. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Judge, seconded by Mr. Gotschall to approve a salary increase for classified staff as presented. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Jelinek, seconded by Mr. Fredrick to approve the 2021-22 requisitions in the estimated amount of \$165,000.00. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Mlady, seconded by Mr. Gotschall to approve the following updated policies as presented: 5003 – Admission of Part-Time Students, and 6007 – Class Rank and Senior Recognition. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Konrad, seconded by Mrs. Judge to approve the purchase of new computers from Apple, Inc. for a price of \$46,740.00 to be paid from the remainder of REAP funds and then from ESSER II funds. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gotschall, seconded by Mr. Konrad to approve of the disposal of items, as presented, through means deemed appropriate by the superintendent. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The following were recognized for recent accomplishments:

District Speech – team was Champion with medalists as follows: Entertainment – Madeline Rentschler 6th and Taylor Schaaf 3rd (state qualifier); Humorous Prose – Caid McCart 2nd (state qualifier); Informative – Sidney Burkinshaw 3rd (state qualifier); Persuasive – Kamry Neptune 4th; Serious Prose – Kamry Neptune 5th; Extemporaneous – Nate Wallinger 5th and Jackson Butterfield 2nd (state qualifier); Poetry – Ana Alvarez 5th and Haley Peek 2nd (state qualifier); Duet Acting – Sierra Schartz & Haley Peek 4th and Hayden Davies & Caid McCart 2nd (state qualifier); OID – Jackson Butterfield, Hayden Davies, Brianna Rentschler, Taylor Schaaf, & Madeline Rentschler 2nd (state qualifier).

State Speech – OID Team and Sidney Burkinshaw in Informative Speaking placed 6th.

NECC Scholastic Contest – team placed 2nd in Class D with the following top placements: Asher McCart 1st in Biology and 1st in A&P; Jackson Butterfield 1st in Medical Terminology; Kamry Neptune 1st in Public Speaking; Lucas Olson 1st in Agri-Science; Laura Mora-Gallardo 1st in Spanish II B; Ella Schulte 2nd in Spanish II A; Nate Wallinger 3rd in Algebra II and 3rd in American History; EmiLee Walnofer 3rd in Plant Science; Madeline Rentschler 3rd in Geometry.

NVC All-Conference - Named to the NVC All-Conference Wrestling Team was Channing Ogden 2nd Team in 138 weight class and Caleb Davis 1st Team in 145 weight class. Named to the NVC All-Conference Boys' Basketball Team was Jakeem Brown 1st Team, Aaron Kraus 1st Team, and Cameron Adkisson Honorable Mention. Named to the NVC All-Conference Girls' Basketball Team was Maci Nemetz 2nd Team and Reghan Kerkman Honorable Mention.

Moved by Mr. Jelinek, seconded by Mr. Mlady to adjourn the meeting at 9:24 p.m. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, May 10, 2021, at 8:00 p.m. in the Lecture Hall.

Brian Mlady, Secretary