

**MINUTES**-of a regular meeting of the West Elk USD #282 Board of Education, held Monday, September 14, 2009, at 7:30 p.m., at the District Office in Howard, Kansas.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Marty Taliaferro, President  
Jim Roebuck, Vice-President  
Mike Bellar  
Dr Robert Black  
Shelly Hare  
Roxane Walker  
Robert Wolfe

**ADMINISTRATION**

Corey Reese, Supt.  
Shirley Hugill, Elementary Principal  
Juli Young, Asst WEHS Principal  
Paula McAlister, Clerk/Business Mgr  
Bert Moore, Director of Special Ed

**OTHERS PRESENT**

David Whetstone  
Matt Hilton

**OTHERS**

Debra Stange  
Ben Bellar  
Leigh A Camper  
Cristine Warring  
Jason VanHecke/WDM  
Andy Matlock/WDM  
Debbie Lane  
Patrick Perkins  
Julie Perkins

At 7:30 p.m., President Marty Taliaferro called the meeting to order with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Roebuck moved to accept the Agenda as printed with the deletion of V. Action Items **"E. Board Action on Public Auction of Stored Property"** and the addition of **"E. MEG – Library Gift of \$400.00"** and **"J. KASE Grant Approval.** Wolfe seconded, motion passed unanimously (7-0).

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion was made by Black and seconded by Hare to approve the consent agenda including the following: Approval of Minutes, Regular Meeting August 10, 2009; Special Meeting August 21 2009; Approval of Bills, Payroll and Treasurer's Report - Bills: \$137,110.98 and Payroll: \$375,718.83. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

**MAINTENANCE REPORT**

Wilcox Painting: Mike has asked Wilcox Painting for an estimate to paint the mansard and soffit at WEHS.

WEHS Roof: Since the last big rains, the high school has 5 new leaks. Wray Roofing has been asked for a quote for removal of the existing two layers and replacement of the roof. It is estimated that the entire roof will need replaced in the next 6 to 10 years.

Boiler Replacement: Quotes are being sought to replace the existing boiler heat systems in both elementary schools.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

SCBL Flinthills: Flinthills school district will be petitioning the South Central Border League for permission to join the league. The Board has no opposition to Flinthills being admitted to SCBL.

Flint Hills Vocational Education Report: Mr. Reese announced to the board that we currently have 3 high school students attending Vo-Tech at Emporia. We transport the students to Eureka and they ride Eureka's bus to and from Emporia.

School Finance: Mr. Reese shared an e-mail he received regarding the expected shortfalls in state aid.

Kansas After School Enhancement Grant Award: West Elk has received a \$2,060.00 matching grant from KASE. This grant will be used to fund WE SCOOT for the elementary schools. The program will alternate monthly between the grade schools. Mrs. Hugill will forward information regarding the program to the new board members.

Special Education Audit Report: Mr. Reese received notification from the KSDE – School Finance that the 2008-2009 audit has been completed and resulted in no overpayment to the district.

Current Enrollment Report: Enrollment is down. Official count day for weighting purposes is September 22, 2009. Mr. Reese will have those numbers for the October meeting.

AYP Report: All buildings met AYP for the 2008/2009 school year.

#### **FACILITIES:**

Public Information Committee (PIC) Update: The Committee participated in the Severy Labor Day Parade and will have information tables set up at the home games. The next meeting will be Monday, September 21, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Reese is scheduled to meet with a group later this month to answer questions regarding the bond.

We received written notification that the Application for Bond Election was approved by the Kansas State Board of Education on September 9, 2009.

The Board reviewed samples for an October 1, 2009 district mailing.

Vehicle Bids Received: The bid from Downing's Inc. was the only bid specific to our Invitation to Bid regarding two used American made cars.

Public Auction: The district is working with Walter Auction Service in securing a date and completing a list of surplus items currently held in storage to be offered for sale.

Child and Adult Care Food Program Agreement: CACFP agreement will be presented as an action item.

8-man Football 2010-2012: All SCBL schools will play 8 man football for 2010-2012. Playing within the league would reduce travel.

Job Description: Mr. Reese asked the board for permission to rewrite job descriptions contained in the Board Policy handbook for High School Principal, High School Assistant Principal and Athletic Director to fit our current configuration. Such revisions would be subject to board approval.

### **BREAK**

At 9:11 p.m. Taliaferro declared a 10 minute break.

At 9:21 p.m. Taliaferro declared the meeting back into open session.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 9:22 p.m. a motion was made by Black and seconded by Wolfe to meet in executive session for 15 minutes to discuss personnel and students to protect the privacy interests of identifiable individuals; negotiations to protect the district's right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position and to include Corey Reese. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At 9:37 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Taliaferro and seconded by Wolfe to continue the session until 9:42 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At 9:42 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session. A motion was made by Taliaferro and seconded by Black to extend the session until 9:47 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At 9:47 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Taliaferro and seconded by Bellar to continue the session until 9:52 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At 9:53 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Taliaferro and seconded by Bellar to continue the session until 9:58 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

The Board reconvened into open session at 9:59 p.m.

### **BOND MAILER**

Roebuck moved to prepare a district mailer containing 3 3-D images of the proposed project, to include cost information to homeowners, grass land owners, dry crop land owners and commercial property owners and delete the phrase "New Playground". Black seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

### **VEHICLE BIDS**

Bellar moved to accept the bids from Downings, Inc. to purchase a 2007 Pontiac G-6 4-Door car with 26800 miles for \$11,650.00 and a 2008 Gold Chevrolet Malibu 4-door car with 23,200

miles for \$11,650.00. Black seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

### **PERSONNEL**

Bellar moved to employ the following persons for the 2009/2010 school year: Tom Noll, Severy Custodian; Kellie Harper, Severy Pre-School; Kimberly Hughes, Severy Para; Cristen Bahr, Moline Title I ARRA Aide, Jennifer McDow, Elk Valley Pre-School Para; Connie Avalos, WEHS Junior Class Sponsor and Andrea Avalos, WEHS Junior Class Assistant Sponsor; and to accept the resignation of Teri DeShane as Severy Para. Roebuck seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

### **STUDENTS**

Motion was made by Wolfe to approve the out-of-district students wanting to attend West Elk USD #282 and USD #282 students wanting to attend other districts, per attached. Motion was seconded by Hare and carried unanimously (7-0).

### **OTHER ISSUES**

Black moved to accept the MEG donation of \$400.00 to the Moline Library. Roebuck seconded and motion passes unanimously (7-0).

### **CACFP AGREEMENT**

Black moved to approve the CACFP Agreement as presented. Wolfe seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously (7-0).

### **O&M SERVICES WITH SEDGWICK COUNTY**

Roebuck moved and Wolfe seconded approving the O&M Services Contract with Sedgwick County Area Education Services. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

### **8 MAN FOOTBALL**

Taliaferro moved and Black seconded playing 8 man football for the 2010-2012 seasons. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

### **JOB DESCRIPTIONS**

Hare moved to have Mr. Reese revise the WEHS Principal, Assistant Principal and Athletic Director positions subject to board approval. Roebuck seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

### **KASE GRANT**

Wolfe moved and Walker seconded approving the KASE Grant with matching funds of \$2,060.00 to be used for the WE SCOOT program in the elementary schools for the 2009/2010 year. Motion passed unanimously (7-0).

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:08 p.m. the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

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**PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD**

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**CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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