

Board of Education Meeting  
January 9, 2018  
Minutes

- I. Call to Order
  - A. Facilitator: Douglas Pfenninger, Board of Education Chair, 7:00 pm
- II. Pledge
- III. Roll Call
  - A. Present: Melony Brady-Shanley, Superintendent, Michelle Hintz, Nora Mocariski, Doug Pfenninger, Chairperson, Alexandria Propfe, Chris Royer, Cheryl Heffernan, Jamie Duffy
  - B. Absent: Shana DeVoux
- IV. Agenda Review Discussion Possible Action
  - A. Move recognitions to the front of agenda after "Committee Changes."
    - 1. MOTION: C. Royer, Second - L. O'Dowd -->Unanimous
- V. Committee Changes
  - A. Curriculum Committee CHANGED from 5 pm to 6 pm on Thursdays.
    - 1. Ad-hoc Committee to change their meeting to 7 pm on Jan. 11, 2018 Just this once.
  - B. Policy Committee - the same Tuesdays at 7 pm
  - C. Finance Committee - Thursdays, 7 pm
  - D. Regular BOE meetings to remain on Tuesdays.
- VI. Recognitions
  - A. Ruthann Horvay - for early childhood work. Blue Ribbon Parents as Teachers Affiliate, Ruthann has served 21 years in the district. She commended the positive environment in Winchester.
  - B. Patricia Ursaki - Absent. But Ms. Grainsky to accept recognition. Ms. Ursaki applies for grants year after year for winter wear. 1K NW Community Foundation to spend on our families. Many hours to Kohls, Target, Marshalls to get the goods. Parents apply on an as-needed basis.
- VII. Comments from Chairman
- VIII. Presentations
  - A. Gilbert leadership - Welcomed
    - 1. Deborah Louis - Dean of Curriculum [Handout]
  - B. Climate Survey - Panorama Climate Survey Results - [BOE packet pp. 4-10]
  - C. Second Quarter Finance Report [pp. 11-15 + handout]
    - 1. Financial overage = facilities: repair of the buildings and cold weather (54K)
    - 2. Financial overage = Out of Dist. Costs (88K+) overage. As we begin to service kids in-house, it will mean a smaller ECS grant. This will be off-set in a change in personnel costs.
  - D. Recommended Budget Changes [BOE Packet p. 15] - Teachers to LT Sub, Speech & Lang to Contracted Services, Nurse Services to Paraprofessionals
  - E. Grants - ex. Alliance: 200K to pay for paving and bathroom fixtures at Pearson
  - F. School Cafeteria at a loss at the moment: 6K
    - 1. Participation is dropping - lunch and breakfast. Not sure which kids are opting out (either free and reduced vs. non-free and reduced).
- IX. Public Hearing
  - A. Dr. Dutton - Lack of available agenda for tonight's meeting, post agenda within 24 hrs.
    - 1. Agenda was posted on Friday, Jan. 5, 2018.
    - 2. Will be posted online on the Winchester Public Schools website.
- X. Consent Agenda Items
  - A. MOTION: Dec. 12 minutes. Motion: M. Hintz, 2nd L. O'Dowd → unanimous.
- XI. Correspondence to the Board.

- A. King, King & Associates [pp. 19-21 of BOE packet]
    - 1. Shared audit results [page 21] We are pleased with King, King & Associates report
  - B. Bureau of Special Education - Winchester BOE is now in compliance with corrective actions in Special Education. No additional action required. Full audit done of our files. We will do this full audit again in three years.
- XII. Superintendent's Reports & Action Items Discussion & Possible Action
- A. Superintendent's Report - [BOE packet pp. 23-24]
  - B. School Enrollment - [BOE packet pp. 25-28]
  - C. Chronic Absences
    - 1. Batcheller continuing to report higher absentee rates than Pearson
    - 2. Inquiry into when absences increase in November
      - a) Election Day and Thanksgiving Day had an impact
  - D. New Hires
  - E. Early Retirement Incentive Non-Certified
  - F. Approval of Community Foundation Grant Award
- XIII. Board Action Items
- A. MOTION for all three budget transfers: First: M. Hintz, Second - A. Propfe → Unanimous
  - B. MOTION for VRIP - Motion: First: A. Propfe, C. Heffernan → Unanimous
  - C. MOTION to accept Grant funds: Motion: First C. Heffernan, Second: L. O'Dowd → Unanimous
- XIV. Reports of BOE Standing Committees
- A. Policy Meeting - 12/19/17 - M. Hintz reported. Next Policy meeting: Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018
  - B. Curriculum Meeting - 12/14/17 - N. Mocarski reported. Next Curriculum Comm. Thurs. Jan. 11, 2018 at 6 pm.
- XV. Unfinished Business
- A. None.
- XVI. New Business Discussion and Possible Action - To be loaded up to the BOE website.
- A. Policy # 6141.312 - MOTION: First C Royer, second: C. Heffernan → Unanimous
  - B. Policy # 6164.12 - MOTION: First: C. Royer, second: L. O'Dowd → Unanimous
  - C. Policy # 6164.11 - MOTION: First: C. Royer, second: N. Mocarski → Unanimous
  - D. Policy # 3542.22 - MOTION: First, A. Propfe C. Heffernan → Unanimous
  - E. Policy # 6162.51 - MOTION: First, A, second: J. Duffy → Unanimous.
- XVII. Adjourn
- A. MOTION to adjourn at 9:07 pm.
    - 1. First, C. Royer, second: A. Propfe → Unanimous.