WINTERSET COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

November 12, 2012

The Winterset Community School District Board of Education met in regular session, Monday, November 12, 2012, in the boardroom at 7:00 pm. The following members were present: Karen Brookhart, Mike Motsinger, Kim Tucker and Brenda Clifton. Also present were Superintendent Meade, Board Secretary Leners, 11 staff, 2 student, 1 visitors and a member of the press. Directors Nicholl was absent.

Vice President Motsinger called the meeting to order. All in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance. Tucker read the mission statement and belief statement #2. Motion by Clifton, second by Brookhart to approve the agenda. Motion carried with all Directors present voting in favor.

Visitor comments: None

Vice President Motsinger called for discussion and approval of the following consent agenda items:

1. Minutes of October 8, 2012 regular session
2. Approval of bills totaling $646,892.78
3. Personnel Items –
   a. approve contract Angela Van Pelt Special Education Associate
   b. approve contract Matthew Pudenz Tech Support Specialist
   c. approve contract Dennis Shaw Asst JH Boys Basketball coach
   d. approve contract Garry Emmert Asst HS Boys Basketball coach
   e. approve contract Lindsay Place Show Choir Choreographer
4. Open Enrollment figures - FY13 certified: 86 In, 100.4 Out
5. Contracts and Agreements – Special Education Interagency agreements
6. October Financials

Motion by Brookhart, second by Clifton to approve the consent agenda items. Motion carried with all Directors present voting in favor.

Academy instructors Dena Jordan (CNA), Maria Yuhas (Engineering) and Joanna Gustafson (Culinary Arts) updated the Board on curriculum offerings and enrollment in their classes. Written reports from Mark Hirsch (Electrical Trades), Michelle McCarty (Early Childhood), and Mike Kahldenberg (Technology)were also shared.

Principal reports:
Elementary – Japanese visitors, teacher data day, Ronald McDonald visited and received donated items, parent-teacher conference participation 96%, SINA peer review, Professional development included Fast Math, Wiggleworks, and RTI, High School students participating in the musical "Willy Wonka" performed, Fun Night held, "No Shave" November cancer fundraiser.
Middle School – Participated in SINA peer review, WMS SINA plan to include math tutor, teacher PD "Math for Struggling Students", Family math night, tier 2 Saxon math training, and continuing analysis of data to make changes where needed.
Junior High – "Active Engagement" started – method proven to move all students forward, Fall benchmarks for nonfiction reading were reviewed w/ WJH students scoring slightly above State average.
High School – Iowa Youth Survey given, new trophy case completed and looks great, 1:1 laptop rollout successful, "Willy Wonka" fall musical, teachers working on individual professional development plans, Activity and sports update.

Results of the Department of Education Site Visit were reviewed. As expected, there were areas noted that needed improvement, but plans are already underway to correct those deficiencies. Pockets of excellence were noted at each building with a challenge now to make those systemic throughout the District, K-12.

Third and final reading of Policy 502.10 – Athletics and Activities Driving Permit including registration and forms. Motion by Brookhart, second by Clifton to approve the new policy. Motion carried with all Directors present voting in favor.

Motion by Clifton, second by Brookhart to approve the revised 5 year facility plan. This is a fluid document that will change as needs arise and dollars are available. The purpose of the plan is to keep long range maintenance of existing building in the budget. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Discussion of the use and collection of 360 Degree Feedback from staff and Community as part of the Superintendent Evaluation was discussed. The Board would like to move forward with this concept. Action tabled until a proposed process could be presented.

Motion by Clifton, second by Brookhart to approve the District application for SBRC modified allowable growth in the amount of $126,758 for new open enrolled out students and ELL. Motion carried with all Directors present voting in favor.

Motion by Clifton, second by Tucker to approve the WCSD Response To Intervention process (RTI); a process of identifying and providing additional instruction as quickly as possible. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Brookhart, second by Clifton to approve the WCSD affirmative action plan. Motion carried with all Directors present voting in favor.

Motion by Clifton, second by Tucker to approve the Debate team out-of-state travel to Omaha 11/30/12 – 12/1/12 to participate in competition. Motion carried with all Directors present voting in favor.

Board Member Reports: Director Kim Tucker announced that she would be resigning her seat effective December 10th as she and her family are moving out of state. The Board will appoint a replacement to fill the vacancy until the September 2013 School Board election.

Superintendent Report: The Winterset Community Education Foundation has approved a grant for a new District website. Each of the three vendors under consideration will provide opportunities for intranet and teacher pages. The next Administration Leadership Team (ALT) meeting will be looking at FY14 curriculum and staffing issues.

The Board will hold a financial work session 11/14/12 at 6pm in the Boardroom. Next regular session will be 12/10/12 at 7 pm.

Motion by Clifton, second by Brookhart to adjourn at 8:31 pm. Motion carried with all Directors present voting in favor.

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Mike Motsinger, Acting President

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Cammy Leners, Secretary