September 8, 2014

The Winterset Community School District Board of Education met in regular session, Monday, September 8, 2014, in the Boardroom at 7:00p.m. The following members were present: Kelly Cain, Brenda Clifton, Jeff Nicholl and Karen Brookhart. Also present were Superintendent Meade, 7 District Staff, 7 Community Members and a member of the press. Director Motsinger and Board Secretary Leners were absent.

President Nicholl called the meeting to order. All in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance. Brookhart read the mission statement and belief statement #7.

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

Visitor Comments: none

The financial books for 2014 fiscal year were examined and the secretary's and treasurer's statements were reviewed. Motion by Clifton, second by Cain to approve. Motion carried with all Directors present voting in favor.

Dr. Chris Blanchard and Mr. James Baur submitted letters of interest to fulfill Mike Motsinger's vacated Director seat. Upon deliberation the Board nominated Mr. James Baur. Motion by Brookhart, second by Cain. Motion carried with all Directors present voting in favor.

President Nicholl administered the oath of office to Baur and he assumed a seat on the Board.

Election of President was conducted. Motion by Brookhart, second by Cain for Nicholl as President. By a roll call vote all Directors voted in favor.

Election of Vice President was conducted. Motion by Nicholl, second by Clifton for Brookhart as Vice President. By a roll call vote all Directors voted in favor.

The Oath of Office for President and Vice President was administered by Superintendent Meade.

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

1. Minutes of 8/11/14 regular session
2. Approval of bills totaling $556,817.60
3. Personnel Items
    a. Approve contract Betsy Breeding, MS Teacher's Associate
    b. Approve contract Madison Kinter, ES Teacher's Associate
    c. Approve contract Ted Leonard, Bus Driver – Woodward Route
    d. Approve contract David Alfstad, HS PLTW Teacher
    e. Approve contract Stephen Cain - .6 Football Coach
    f. Approve contract Reid Leichty – JH Cross Country Coach
    g. Approve contract revisions Elizabeth Lopez, ES Teacher's Associate
    h. Approve contract revisions Madison Kinter, ES Teacher's Associate
    i. Approve contract revisions Kathy Stine, MS Teacher
    j. Approve contract revisions Erin Brotherson, PK Teacher
    k. Approve contract revisions Sue Williams, ES Teacher
    l. Approve contract revisions Crystal Binns, ES Teacher
    m. Approve contract revisions Annette Purdy, CCPD Leader
4. Open Enrollment Update
5. Contracts and Agreements – none
6. Financials

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

Building Principal Reports to the Board by Lee Schipull, Kate Wharton, Wendy Sawyer, and Gary Anker.

Lee Schipull shared the ACT results. Largest number of students taking the test and the highest average composite score for many years – 23.1. The state average is 22.
Kate Wharton and Kenna Johnson shared information about the use of data to place students in Whatever I Need (WIN) groups at the junior high. The goal is to improve student's reading fluency and comprehension skills.

Old Business – none

Motion by Clifton, second by Brookhart to approve the Technology Curriculum Review as presented by Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Ann Bartelt. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Brookhart, second by Cain to approve the following state reports: Title I, C-Plan, Lau Plan as presented by Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Ann Bartelt. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Clifton, second by Brookhart to approve Building Goals.

Motion by Clifton, second by Baur to approve Superintendent Goals.

Motion by Clifton, second by Cain to appoint Karen Brookhart as the Iowa Association of School Boards Delegate at the IASB Convention on November 19, 2014. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Clifton, second by Cain to approve application to the School Budget Review Committee for the full amount of the 2014 Special Education Deficit. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Motion by Clifton, second by Brookhart to approve the early retirement notification incentive for 14-15. Motion carried with all Directors voting in favor.

Board Member Reports – there were none.

Superintendent report included the following:
National Arts Week (September 8-12)
National Custodian Week (September 15-19)
Back to School Feedback from Certified Staff
Madisonian has offered to print a bi-monthly Winterset Schools update in the paper. Superintendent Meade thanked Ted Gorman, Dave Bragga, Robert VanScoy and Ethel Lee Osborn for making this possible

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Brookhart, second by Baur to adjourn at 9:05 p.m.

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Jeff Nicholl, President

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Cammy Leners, Secretary