

WHITE RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 416
Buckley, Washington

**MINUTES OF THE WHITE RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 416
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 13, 2017**

The meeting of the White River Board of Directors was called to order at 5:30 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was conducted. Under Roll Call, all members were present. Under Approve Agenda, it was moved and seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Call to Order

Director Jansen moved to dispense with the reading and approve the minutes of the August 23, 2017 regular meeting and the August 30, 2017 special meeting. Director Scheer seconded. Motion carried.

**Minutes
Approved**

Under Announcement and Recognition, 1) Next Special Meeting – Wednesday, September 27, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. in the DDC Board Conference Room; 2) Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday, October 11, 2017, 5:30 p.m. in DDC Board Conference Room; 3) Recognition of Hugh Flint and Jennie Nicolls for collaboration with Pierce County Juvenile Court; 4) White River High School ASB Activities Report: treasurer Dave Moleske spoke about the success of Freshman First Day. Miles Llewellyn spoke about freshman camp, with a theme of Service over Self. Ava Pearson, Senior LASK spoke about Homecoming preparations, and Danielle Hood added information about a spirit assembly to get students excited about Homecoming activities.

Announcements

Under Highlight, Dr. Andrew Schwebke provided an overview of the 2016-17 State Assessment results. He noted areas where results were about even from previously, where there were decreases and increases. Three years of data were compared to state averages. WRSD scored higher than the state average in 3rd and 4th grade ELA. The 5th grade group shows need for improvement. In math overall, White River scores higher than the state. Fifth grade math is very close to the state average. He made note of a marked improvement at Foothills in ELA. At Glacier Middle School, ELA results match the state average. A gain was seen in 8th grade math scores. At White River High School, Dr. Schwebke noted 79% success in ELA and made a distinction between graduation requirement scores, and the College and Career Readiness scores. Math scores at the high school are below the state on average.

**Assessment
Results**

Action steps include efforts to strengthen core instruction, and redesign of interventions and systems of support, such as TOSAs, STAT/PACE, LAP, and others. Leadership actions will include focus on Promise Project, data reviews, school improvement plans and alignment of resources with the challenges.

Adam Uhler then shared a video that provided an illustration of which items are most essential to teaching, such as access to essential grade-level standards, teaching at high levels in order to achieve higher levels of learning. He noted that it is most important to guarantee the essential learning in core, dedicated time for intervention, timely responses, with fidelity to the students learning needs. He outlined several ways in which changes are being implemented to improve instruction and interventions. This includes academic and well as social-emotional aspects.

There was no Public Comment.

**Consent Agenda
Approved**

Under Consent Agenda, Director Sanabria moved to approve. Director Pearson seconded. Motion carried. The Consent Agenda included the following items:

- Approval of actual vouchers issued August, 2017 (noted below)
- Approval of payroll issued August 31, 2017
- Approval of Overnight Travel with students for FFA Leadership Training Camp – October 6-7, 2017
- Approval of overnight travel with students for FFA State Convention, May 9-12, 2018, Pullman WA
- Approval of personnel report

Actual warrants issued August 15, 2017 were:

General Fund	\$ 343,354.56
Capital Projects	\$ 900,714.91
ASB	\$ 17,565.73

Actual warrants issued August 31 were:

General Fund	\$ 207,396.04
Capital Projects	\$ 2,221,615.75
General Fund ACH	\$ 6,239.31

Payroll issued August 31, 2017: \$2,761,006.81

**June and July
Financial
Report**

Under Business Services, Ms. Kira Acker presented the June and July budget status reports. She stated that the were expenditures were below budget. Capital projects earns significant interest. Items of note included an increase of over \$363,000 in collected taxes this year over what was collected last year. Capital projects saw interest revenue of \$73,251, and significant expenditures for various bond projects. September enrollment is coming in strong at 3701 students. In response to a question, Superintendent Keating helped the board to understand the status of the front-funded projects at Elk Ridge and Wilkeson. We will need the state matching funds moving forward for the Glacier Middle School project.

**LAP Funding
Allocation
Approved**

Under Action and Reports, approval was requested for LAP funding allocation for Readiness to Learn Services. This means using a small percentage of LAP funding to pay for a portion of a social worker's salary. This allocation requires approval of the board. Director Pearson moved to approve; Director Jansen seconded. Motion carried.

**Construction
Update**

Mr. Mike Hagadone provided an update of the construction projects in the district. He noted first of all that Wilkeson was ready for teachers to move in by August 28th at the WRESC campus. A grass area addition for the playground area will be ready to use within a week or two. The cafeteria is a dedicated space there, and PE is held in another area. At Mountain Meadow, new flooring, painting and roofing has been accomplished. At Elk Ridge, fencing and heavy equipment has been moved in. There was success noted in redirection of traffic around Elk Ridge as well. The White River High School stadium is nearly finished and the ribbon cutting will take place September 15. Bids for the Wilkeson project will be opened October 3rd.

**Out of
Endorsement**

The board's approval of an out of endorsement assignment for Sue Root. Director Scheer moved to approve the request. Director Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

**2nd Reading
and Approval
Policy 3144**

Board Policy 3144 – Release of Information Concerning Student Sexual and Kidnapping Offenders - was brought forward for second reading and approval. Director Jansen moved to approve the policy, and Director Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

Superintendent Keating-Hambly brought Board Policy 2337 – Disability History Month for first reading. This recognition is required by law. The observation is to take place in the month of October.

**First Reading
Policy 2337**

Under Board and Superintendent Comments, WSSDA regional meeting will be held October 17 in Orting. Board members will be attending the opening night at WRHS stadium. Director Jansen noted construction challenges facing Christi Ellenwood at Elk Ridge, and success with redirection of traffic. Director Scheer met with several teachers at WRHS. Staff at Glacier expressed appreciation for the new direction from administration there. The next special meeting agenda includes introduction of new staff, and the first learning improvement plans of the year. OSPI Superintendent Chris Reykdahl will be in the district on October 19. Tickets will be available soon for the White River Education Foundation auction fundraiser.

**Board and
Superintendent
Comments**

There being no further business to come before the board, it was moved and seconded to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Adjourn

Janel Keating-Hambly
Secretary to the Board

Denise Vogel
Board President