

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 8, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Weston County School District #7 was called to order on March 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Woody Gaughenbaugh. Members attending were Lori Olson, Gene Knapp, Curtis Rankin, and Diana White. Also in attendance were Superintendent Summer Stephens, Principals Linda Crawford and Clark Coberly, Eileen Schiller, and a group of teachers, parents and students.

After the pledge to the flag, the agenda for the evening was presented with no changes being noted. Curtis Rankin made a motion, seconded by Lori Olson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

The consent agenda consisting of the February 8, 2017 regular and executive meeting minutes, and the March disbursements: General Fund #15345-15414 (\$551,001.11); Lunch Fund #1833-1838 (\$22,250.22); Activity Fund #2584-2595 (\$4,499.63); Payroll Fund #16415-16473 (\$437,314.04); Federal Fund #1768 (\$203.00) was presented for Board review. With no changes noted, the consent agenda was approved.

Principal Clark Coberly gave a report which included elementary and middle school enrollments; PAWS testing which is beginning; the Math Contest attended in which Aidan Coberly placed 8th and a team of Reece Barritt, Aidan Coberly and Hailey Turner placed 3rd; March 1 was Read Across America Day; The 7th grade boys basketball team placed 3rd at the District tournament and the 8th grade boys had placed 1st; and upcoming events. Mr. Coberly then announced the elementary/middle school students of the month: Ashtyn Teel, Raylee Materi, Tony Christensen, Bella Keller, Trevon White, Lauren Coburn, Jacob McNutt, Auloria Miller and Jess Claycomb.

Principal Linda Crawford reported on high school enrollment; parent/teacher conference statistics with 43% of students having parents attending; a CTE session she and CTE teachers had attended in Gillette, put on by the state to determine how to look at data; high school boys had placed 3rd at the regional tournament and JP Moberly had placed 6th in state wrestling; 16 high school students participated in the Math Contest in Gillette with Dawson Butts placing 2nd and a team of Dawson Butts, Riley Coburn and Josie Olson placing 3rd in the 11-12 grades. She also told the Board of music events being attended, State FFA, FBLA and FCCLA dates and Chadron Scholastic Day and that the school had had visitations from Meeteetsee and Fort Washakie in regard to personalized learning. In further student recognition Ms. Crawford announced the following: All-Conference Girls Basketball, Sara Rankin with Laine Claycomb and Grace Rhoden receiving honorable mention; All-Conference Boys Basketball, Payton Watt and Clayton Louderback with Dillon Barritt receiving honorable mention; All-State Boys Basketball, Payton Watt. Maxx Cowger received District/Regional speech co-champion in prepared and extemp at State FFA.

Superintendent Summer Stephens shared with the Board on the National Superintendent's Conference she had attended last week and also told the Board of applications for Teacher of the Year now being open if anyone wished to make a nomination. Dr. Stephens also gave an update of legislative proceedings and the impact the legislation will have on school financing, discussed the student/teacher 16:1 ratio and the waiver which will need to be filed at this time; and advised the Board that notification has been received that health insurance rates will increase by 4% for next year.

Lori Olson gave a short BOCES report which included an autistic training to be held in Gillette. Gary Glodt will be contacted in regard to personnel possibly attending.

Superintendent Stephens presented the latest draft calendar for the 2017-2018 year. The calendar was reviewed and discussion was held.

At 8:17 p.m. Lori Olson made a motion, seconded by Diana White to meet in an executive session to discuss personnel. Motion carried.

Regular session resumed at 9:28 p.m.

Gene Knapp made a motion, seconded by Curtis Rankin to approve resignations and separation incentive agreements effective at the 2017-2018 year for Mick Tonkel, HS Industrial Arts, Janice Peterson, Title I, and Deanne Gould, FACS and Guidance. Motion carried.

Lori Olson made a motion, seconded by Gene Knapp to accept a resignation of Mona Stenson as Occupational Therapist, effective at the 2017-2018 year. Motion carried.

Curtis Rankin made a motion, seconded by Diana White to approve the 2017-2018 calendar as it had been presented. Motion carried.

Lori Olson made a motion, seconded by Curtis Rankin to approve a bus lease agreement for a replacement suburban. Motion carried.

Future planning dates include the next regular meeting date of April 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. and a special meeting to be held on March 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the 2017-2018 budget and staffing.

With no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Curtis Rankin and seconded by Gene Knapp to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Clerk

Chairman