

Webster Groves School District
Regular Meeting
The Board of Education
Monday, September 9, 2013
6:30 P.M.
Central Office
400 East Lockwood
St. Louis, Missouri 63119

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 p.m., Monday, September 9, 2013, by its vice president, Emerson Smith. The following members were present:

Emerson Smith	Vice President
David Addison	
Joel Oliver	
Amy Clendennen	
Jean Dugan	
Steve Loher	

Also present were:

Sarah Booth Riss	Superintendent
Diane Moore	Asst. Superintendent-COO
John Simpson	Asst. Superintendent-Curriculum & Instruction
Linda Holliday	Human Resources Consultant
John M. Thomas	Director-Student Services
Cathy Vespereny	Director-Community Relations
Doug Copeland	Attorney
Jane Baumgartner	Secretary

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Smith called for and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag prior to beginning the meeting.

AGENDA

Mr. Loher moved, seconded by Mrs. Dugan, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS/ RECOGNITIONS

Updated Correspondence Log was reviewed; no questions or concerns were expressed.

The Board honored Wilma Slaughter, WGSD teacher, for receiving an "Excellence in Education" award, and 2 students from WGHS were selected when they participated in the Missouri Scholar's Academy.

Other Celebrations included:

Joel Oliver: The Bristol hosted "Black Top Ball" was huge success.

Steve Loher: Class of '81 has done a great job with alumni relations.

David Addison: Thanks to everyone for a great start to new school year.

Emerson Smith: Thanks to CSD for efforts involving transferring of students; The Back to School Picnic was a huge success as well.

Jean Dugan: Recognized Darby Turner for student exceling in science

Amy Clendennen: Recognized Rachel's Challenge, a program at Hixson to support anti-bullying practices.

Cathy Vespereny recognized WGHS students for outstanding achievements in music and orchestra. She also recognized The ECHO for their outstanding job.

Sarah Riss recognized the Foundation for their morning coffee gatherings before school.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were given

BOE LIAISON ACTIVITIES

Jean Dugan presented information on behalf of the Foundation. She promoted the raffle tickets being sold to benefit the Alumni Association and the Foundation. She also reviewed the Foundation's upcoming calendar of events.

Policy Subcommittee Reports were distributed and reviewed. The Board was asked to notify the committee if any changes need to be made.

REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF

Dr. Moore, as well as Darrell Songer and Tim Dierker from CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP shared the results of the recent audit. WGSD was awarded a clean audit with no material findings for the 18th consecutive year.

Dr. Riss shared the Strategic Planning meeting calendar, along with an item of consideration to approve the 2013-14 Strategic Planning Committee.

Craig Larson, with Patron Insight, has been chosen to facilitate this committee. Patron Insight specializes in helping Districts move in the right direction. Mr. Larson shared his excitement in this partnership and is eager to get started. First meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 16.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Loher moved, seconded by Mrs. Dugan, that the consent agenda be approved:

- 006a Minutes of August 26, 2013 Special/Workshop Meeting
- Payment of bills:
- 006b Monthly Expenditure Report: August 2013
- 006c Activity Account: August 2013
- 006d Cash Flow Report: August 2013
- 006e Personnel Report
- 006f Approve Transportation Routes
- 006g Approve Board Policy Subcommittee Recommendations
- 006h Approval of Strategic Planning Committee Membership
- 006i Approval of Audit for 2012-13 School Year

The motion carried 6-0.

MOTION TO RECESS
INTO CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Dugan moved, seconded by Mr. Addison, to recess into closed session at 7:45 p.m. for the purpose of discussing property [Sec. 610.021(2) RS Mo], Litigation [Sec.610.201(1) RS MO.] and a student matter [Sec. 610.021(6) RS Mo]. Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Addison, yes; Mr. Oliver, yes; Mr. Loher, yes; Ms. Clendennen, yes; Mrs. Dugan, yes. The motion carried 6-0.

RECONVENE OPEN MTG

The open meeting was reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Addison moved, seconded by Mrs. Dugan, to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. The motion carried 6-0.

President

Secretary