

LEGAL NOTICE

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #7

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Chairman Rankin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following in attendance: Trustee White, Trustee Mills, Trustee Miller, and Trustee Mitchell. Superintendent Clark Coberly, Principal Joe Samuelson, and Business Manager Roxie Taft were also present.

Adjustments to the Agenda:

- There were no adjustments to the agenda.

Adoption of Agenda:

- Motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

Approve minutes from the January 8, 2025, Board Meeting and approve January/February claims for payment:

General Fund 49-57, 268-277, 23163-23281	857,514.10
Special Revenue 5-6, 241-247, 2376-2395	42,240.09
Lunch Fund 208, 2457-2463	13,839.54
Activity Fund 223-225, 3680-3715	22,068.94
Scholarship 544	250.00
Major Maintenance 1579-1582	54,313.27

The consent agenda was adopted as presented.

Reports:

- In Principal Toole's absence, Superintendent Coberly recognized the students of the month under the Principle of Academic Accountability. Dr. Coberly provided updated enrollment & attendance numbers and updated the board on ongoing student activities/athletics & staff professional development opportunities.
- Principal Samuelson recognized the students of the month under the Principle of Academic Accountability. Two of Mrs. Kelton's Greenhand FFA students shared information about their projects and delivered thank-you notes to the board members. Principal Samuelson provided updated enrollment information and shared information on ongoing student activities/athletics.
- Superintendent Coberly recognized Coach Samuelson as one of 8 finalists for the 2025 National High School Athletic Coaches Association national coach of the year in basketball. Dr. Coberly reported on the guest editorial that he had printed in the Gazette this week, provided an update on the greenhouse project, provided the timeline for the award of the Elem/MS intercom and district-wide phone replacement projects, provided an update on the Governor's visit, provided an update on the district's efforts in PLC and in personalized learning, and provided updated virtual student enrollment numbers.

Public Comment:

- There were no public comments.

Discussion and Information:

- The board members complimented Assistant Editor Trandahl on his well-written article regarding the implications a property tax reduction would have on our entire community.
- Dr. Coberly provided a legislative update including information on bills the district has been following.
- Trustee White reported on the NEW-BOCES meeting she attended. They are in the process of hiring a new director.
- Trustee Mills reported the EWBOCES meeting was canceled.

Executive Session:

Motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Mills, to convene to executive session at 7:43 p.m. to discuss the employment of staff, personnel, and superintendent evaluation. Motion carried. Motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Mills, to reconvene to regular session at 8:56 p.m. Motion carried.

Action Items:

- Motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, to approve the Personnel Report as presented in Executive Session, which includes the retirement of Mary Rankin. Motion carried.
- Motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee White, to approve the employment renewal for Joseph Samuelson, High School Principal, Cliff Toole, Elementary/Middle School Principal, Erin Brinson, Special Education Director, Frankie Medlen, Technology Director and for Les Bishop, Director of Maintenance and Transportation Director for fiscal year 2025-2026 with salaries and benefits to be determined at a later date. Motion carried.
- Motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, to table the Exchange of Land with K & D Perforators. Motion carried.
- Motion by Trustee Mills, seconded by Trustee White, to approve the revisions to policies BEDC - Quorum, BEDF - Voting Method, BEDH - Participation at Board Meetings, BEDI - News Media Services, BEE - Board Hearing/ Appeal Procedures, BF - School Board Work Sessions and Retreats, BGA/ BGB/BGC - School Board Policy Development/Policy Adoption/Policy Revision and Review. Dr. Coberly explained these policies had been reviewed by the policy committee and that policies BGA, BGB and BGC were combined into one policy. Motion carried.
- Motion by Trustee Mills, seconded by Trustee Miller, to award the bid for a new route MPV to Newcastle Motor in the amount of \$64,000. Dr. Coberly explained this was the only bid we had received. The State has approved this purchase to replace one of our route MPVs that qualified for replacement. Motion carried.

Future Business/Dates:

- Next Regular Board Meeting--March 12, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Curtis Rankin, Board Chair
Mark Mitchell, Board Clerk