

**WOOD RIVER-HARTFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT #15**  
**Board of Education**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**February 26, 2013**

Call to Order:

The Regular Meeting of the Wood River-Hartford School District #15 Board of Education was called to order by President Rodney Green at 6:30 p.m. on January 22, 2013 with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence in the Board Room at the Lorena Complex. Karen Ferguson, Amy Harding, Lena Hartsock, Susan Sabolo, Sheila Sorgea and Rodney Green answered the roll call to establish a quorum. Absent: Darin Redden. Also present were Superintendent Pat Anderson, Principal Heather Johnson, Principal Mark Begando and Recording Secretary Ann Chandler. Principal Kelly Bohnenstiehl and Business Manager Carol Elliott were absent.

Agenda:

Motion by Sabolo, second by Ferguson, to approve the agenda as presented. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried by voice vote.

Guests and Visitors:

Those signing in were District employees Sheryl Ross, Lisa Kaman-Ammon, Carol Fowler-Dixon, Ginger Cramsey, Rob Mangrum, Kelly Leach and Erin Plumb.

Community/Staff Comments:

President Green greeted the visitors and asked if anyone wished to address the Board. No one wished to speak.

Business Manager's Report:

Mrs. Elliott was on vacation, but had furnished Board members a written overview of her usual verbal report.

Principals' Reports:

Mrs. Johnson, Principal of Hartford Elementary School, said this has been a busy month working on planning things for Pre-K with neighboring district. A health and safety fair is planned. PBIS is going well. McTeacher night will be next Tuesday at the Wood River McDonald's from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Money raised will go towards supporting PBIS teams at Hartford and Lewis and Clark Elementary.

Mr. Begando, Principal of Lewis and Clark Junior High School, announced Students of the Month as Austin Carlisle – 8<sup>th</sup>, Tyler Yenne – 7<sup>th</sup>, and Noah Strebler – 6<sup>th</sup>. Kids of Character are Amanda Smay – 8<sup>th</sup>, Emily Auten – 7<sup>th</sup>, and Kara Crutchley – 6<sup>th</sup>. Zach Kincade and Jacob Erslon did very well in wrestling. The 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls Volleyball team is in first place in Conference and will be playing Staunton in Regionals. Mr. Mangrum's blood drive had a good turnout. Mr. Mangrum hosted Student Council members from other schools. Mr. Begando gave a presentation on leadership. The staff has been very diligent with testing and trying to make our kids successful, and Mr. Begando feels we are closing the gap. Rtl is helping. Data tells us we are closing the gap.

Mr. Kinder and Mr. Mangrum are going out of their way to do a little extra. Every week these two teachers send out a lesson plan to the parents which allow the parents to know what their students are doing each day. That empowers the parents to bring the classroom into their homes and opens dialogue. President Green asked Mr. Mangrum what form was used to send the information to parents and what kind of response they are receiving. Mr. Mangrum replied that Mr. Kinder started this. Word is used, and the response is good, and the parents let him know if the kids are having problems. Mr. Begando said parents have raved about it being helpful and beneficial. The kids are more prepared.

Superintendent Anderson said Mr. Bohnenstiehl, Principal of Lewis and Clark Elementary School, wasn't able to attend the Board meeting tonight. Mr. Bohnenstiehl is very pleased with how things are going. He had a very productive meeting with his teachers and feels everyone is putting forth the effort to make sure we are going to meet our goals.

Superintendent Anderson thanked the Principals and staff for everything they are doing to meet our goals.

#### Superintendent's Report – Items for Discussion:

FOIA Requests: There were no FOIA requests this month.

H/L/S Amendment for Vacuum/Condensate Pump: Fixing this would cost between \$7,000 to \$8,000. Superintendent Anderson asked for the Board's approval of the motion.

Monthly Technology Update: There isn't a great deal to report as the Principals want to use more study time. We utilized Title funds for five new laptops for Rtl. We'd like to have some of our teachers come to a Board meeting to talk about it.

Safety Procedure: Superintendent Anderson reported that we talked with East Alton Police Department and the school districts to try to utilize our and their busing for any crisis situations that might occur. Either district's schools could be used as the hub. Mrs. Johnson talked to them to set it up.

Mrs. Sorgea asked if we had thought any more about some of the modifications like the band room where they could not hear. Superintendent Anderson said we had, but some of the bigger issues still have to be sorted out.

#### Regular Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Sabolo, second by Sorgea, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 22, 2013 as presented. Aye: Sabolo, Sorgea, Harding, Green. Nay: None. Abstain: Ferguson, Hartsock. Motion passed.

#### Special Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Ferguson, second by Sorgea, to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of January 18 2013 as presented. Aye: Ferguson, Sorgea, Green, Hartsock. Nay: None. Abstain: Harding, Sabolo. Motion passed.

#### Special Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Harding, second by Sabolo, to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of January 23 2013 as presented. Aye: Harding, Sabolo, Hartsock, Green, Ferguson. Nay: None. Abstain: Sorgea. Motion passed.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Sorgea, second by Ferguson, to approve the Bill List, the Treasurer's Report, and the Activity Fund Report. Aye: Sorgea, Ferguson, Green, Hartsock, Sabolo, Harding. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

FY2014 Budget Preparation Resolution 12-13-08:

Motion by Sabolo, second by Sorgea, to approve the FY2014 Budget Preparation Resolution 12-13-08. Aye: Sabolo, Sorgea, Harding, Hartsock, Green, Ferguson. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

Working Cash Loan Repayment:

Motion by Harding, second by Hartsock, to approve the Working Cash loan repayment of \$25,000 to the Bond Fund. Aye: Harding, Hartsock, Sabolo, Green, Ferguson, Sorgea. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

FY2013 Audit Engagement Letter:

Motion by Ferguson, second by Sabolo, to approve the FY2013 Audit Engagement Letter with Donohoo, McCalley & Associates for a period of three years. Aye: Ferguson, Sabolo, Harding, Sorgea, Green, Hartsock. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

H/L/S Amendment for Vacuum/Condensate Pump Replacement:

Motion by Sorgea, second by Sabolo, to approve the Health/Life/Safety Amendment for Vacuum/Condensate Pump Replacement. Aye: Sorgea, Sabolo, Hartsock, Green, Harding, Ferguson. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

Enter into Closed Session:

Motion by Ferguson, second by Harding, to enter into Closed Session to discuss (#1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1); (#2) Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2); (#3) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11); (#4) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) at 7:05 p.m. Aye: Ferguson, Harding, Green, Hartsock, Sabolo, Sorgea. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

Return from Closed Session:

Motion by Sabolo, second by Hartsock, to return from Closed Session at 9:40 p.m. on February 26, 2013. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried by voice vote.

Action Resulting from Closed Session:

Approval of Executive Session Minutes, destruction of verbatim tape recordings, keeping closed Executive Session Minutes of past meetings, and personnel items were subsequently voted upon.

Executive Session Minutes of Regular Meeting:

Motion by Sabolo, second by Harding, to approve Executive Session Minutes of the January 22, 2013 Regular Meeting. Aye: Sabolo, Harding, Green, Sorgea. Nay: None. Abstain: Ferguson, Hartsock. Motion passed.

Executive Session Minutes of Special Meeting:

Motion by Ferguson, second by Hartsock, to approve Executive Session Minutes of the January 18, 2013 Special Meeting. Aye: Ferguson, Hartsock, Sorgea, Green. Nay: None. Abstain: Harding, Sabolo. Motion passed.

Executive Session Minutes of Special Meeting:

Motion by Sabolo, second by Harding, to approve Executive Session Minutes of the January 23, 2013 Special Meeting. Aye: Sabolo, Harding, Green, Hartsock, Ferguson. Nay: None. Abstain: Sorgea. Motion passed.

Destruction of Verbatim Tape Recordings:

Motion by Harding, second by Sabolo, to approve the destruction of verbatim tape recordings of Executive Session(s) of February 2011. Aye: Harding, Sabolo, Sorgea, Ferguson, Hartsock, Green. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried by voice vote.

Personnel – Resignation of Basketball Coach

Motion by Ferguson, second by Harding, to approve the resignation of Natalie Bouillon from her position as 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Basketball Coach. Aye: Ferguson, Harding, Green, Hartsock, Sabolo, Sorgea. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

Personnel – Substitute List:

Motion by Sabolo, second by Ferguson, to approve the Substitute List pursuant to receipt of acceptable FBI and State Police reports. Aye: Sabolo, Ferguson, Sorgea, Hartsock, Green, Harding. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

Conference Items:

Recommendations from the Board of Education Relative to Agenda Topics for Future Consideration: Superintendent Evaluation on April Agenda.

Administrative Review of Topics for Future Consideration: None.

Adjournment:

Motion by Ferguson, second by Sabolo, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote at 9:49 p.m. on February 26, 2013.

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Rodney Green, President

ATTEST:

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Sheila Sorgea, Secretary/Treasurer