

**WOOD RIVER-HARTFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT #15**  
**Board of Education**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**March 19, 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 March 19, 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 Patrick Anderson, Principal Heather Johnson, Principal Mark Begando, Principal Kelly Bohnenstiehl, Business Manager Carol Elliott and Recording Secretary Ann Chandler.

Agenda:

Motion by Ferguson, second by Sorgea, 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, Chris Edwards, Duane Amistadi, Tracy Skinner, Erica Riedisser, Cyndi Duncan, Pam Tyler, Kelly Leach, Ginger Cramsey, Abby McDole, Michelle Meyers, Erin Plumb and Colby Sprague.

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 went over the Bill List and additions. She presented dashboards showing the District's financial picture and said she was sure an amended budget for FY2013 will have to be filed. Our revenue forecast shows 98.4% tax collections, two more CPPT payments, cafeteria receipts are down \$125 per day while free and reduced lunch participation is up \$117 per day, State categorical payments are on schedule while Pre-K as well as 0-3 grant payments are behind schedule. Our Special Education costs are beyond budget figures.

Mrs. Elliott said our anticipated EAV for 2012 levy purposes dropped \$3,400,000. We anticipate our General State Aid being funded at 80% for a loss of \$200,000. There is a loss of \$340,000 due to industrial EAV growth. Transportation will be 19% funded at \$3.20 per student, but our tax levy supports us. At this time, we have not heard about Pre-K At Risk \$300,000; 0-3 \$41,000; Special Ed Categoricals \$269,200; and Special Ed Transportation \$63,400 for a total of \$673,600. The Sequester will affect Federal funding for Title I, Title II and IDEA.

The FY2013 Amended Budget will be presented at the April meeting. Our District audit is scheduled for July 17, 18 and 19. The FY2014 Tech Lease for domain controllers and firewalls is in the planning stage.

### Principals' Reports:

Mrs. Johnson, Principal of Hartford Elementary School, said she was hit in the face with a pie which the students enjoyed. There was a lot of excitement and preparation before ISAT week. It was great to have the teachers from Hartford working with the teachers from Lewis and Clark Elementary at McDonald's Night. The Parent/Teacher conferences went very well and we're all very appreciative of being able to connect with the parents. We put out signs and passed out flyers for the Health and Safety Fair.

Mr. Bohnenstiehl, Principal of Lewis and Clark Elementary School, said Lewis and Clark Elementary School hosted the "NED" Assembly on Wednesday, February 20th, 2013. This assembly focused on making good choices and doing your best in school. The message was tailored around working hard and doing your best on the ISAT tests that our third through fifth graders take. "NED" stands for, Never give up, Encourage others and Do your best! The students enjoyed the message of NED, along with the dazzling array of yo-yo tricks the presenter incorporated into the message at the assembly. We raised \$770 through McDonald's Night. Mr. Bohnenstiehl is very proud of his students.

Mr. Begando, Principal of Lewis and Clark Junior High School, announced Students of the Month for March as Alyssa Troxtell – 8<sup>th</sup>, Lora Ruyle – 7<sup>th</sup>, and Emily Sidwell – 6<sup>th</sup>. Kids of Character are Timmy Oseland – 8<sup>th</sup>, Hunter Hall – 7<sup>th</sup>, and David Owens – 6<sup>th</sup>. Seventh Grade Volleyball finished 12 and 1 in Conference and was in first place for two years in a row. They made it to Regionals. Coaches Julie Twichell and Terri Totzell did a very fine job. Our Wrestlers who went to State did well. Our Band is in a contest at East Alton March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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

FOIA Requests: There were no FOIA requests this month.

H/L/S Update: We're still waiting for updated information.

Power of Attorney: Our attorneys need this to deal with the Illinois Department of Revenue on our behalf regarding WRB Refining. This was done last year as well.

### Regular Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Sorgea, second by Harding, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 26, 2013 as presented. Aye: Sorgea, Harding, Ferguson, Green, Hartsock, Sabolo. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

### Special Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Sabolo, second by Ferguson, to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2013 as presented. Aye: Sabolo, Ferguson, Hartsock, Green, Harding. Nay: None. Abstain: Sorgea. Motion passed.

### Consent Agenda:

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

#### IL-2848 Power of Attorney:

Motion by Ferguson, second by Sabolo, to approve IL-2848 Power of Attorney of Whitt Law LLC for WRB Refining. Aye: Ferguson, Sabolo, Green, Harding, Hartsock, Sorgea. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

#### Enter into Closed Session:

Motion by Harding, second by Sorgea, 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) The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10); (#4) 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); and (#5) 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 7:01 p.m. Aye: Harding, Sorgea, Hartsock, Green, Sabolo, Ferguson. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

#### Return to Open Session:

Motion by Ferguson, second by Hartsock, to return to Open Session at 8:40 p.m. on March 19, 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, and personnel items were subsequently voted upon.

#### Executive Session Minutes of Regular Meeting:

Motion by Harding, second by Sabolo, to approve Executive Session Minutes of the February 26, 2013 Regular Meeting. Aye: Harding, Sabolo, Ferguson, Sorgea, Green, Hartsock. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

#### Destruction of Verbatim Tape Recordings:

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

#### Personnel – Resignation for Retirement

Motion by Harding, second by Ferguson, to approve the resignation of Patty Dial from her position as cook in the Lorena complex cafeteria at the end of the 2012-2013 school year. Aye: Harding, Ferguson, Sorgea, Green, Hartsock, Sabolo. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

Personnel

Motion by Harding, second by Sorgea, to approve Resolution 12-13-09 for the non-re-employment of non-tenured teachers. Aye: Harding, Sorgea, Sabolo, Hartsock, Green, Ferguson. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

Personnel

Motion by Harding, second by Sabolo, to approve Resolution 12-13-10 for the honorable dismissal of educational support personnel. Aye: Harding, Sabolo, Ferguson, Green, Hartsock, Sorgea. Nay: None. Abstain: None. Motion passed.

Conference Items:

Recommendations from the Board of Education Relative to Agenda Topics for Future Consideration: Administrative review in Executive Session and negotiations. Send notice for Special Meeting (Executive Session) Tuesday, 3/26/13 at 6:00 p.m.

Administrative Review of Topics for Future Consideration: None.

Adjournment:

Motion by Sabolo, second by Harding, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote at 8:55 p.m. on March 19, 2013.

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Rodney Green, President

ATTEST:

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Sheila Sorgea, Secretary/Treasurer