

WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting – June 23, 2022

Regular Session 7:00 p.m.

Willows City Council Chambers

201 N. Lassen Street, Willows, CA 95988

MINUTES

1. OPEN SESSION – CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call – President Geiger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Jeromy Geiger, Alex Parisio, Lourdes Ruiz, and Gina Taylor. Member absent: Michelle Knight

1.2 Welcome Visitors

1.3 Flag Salute was led by Julie Carriere.

2. AGENDA/MINUTES

2.1 Approve the Agenda for June 23, 2022.

President Geiger asked for Item #7B-1 be pulled from the agenda.

Gina Taylor moved, seconded by Alex Parisio to approve the Agenda for June 23, 2022 as amended.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

2.2 Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 5, 2022.

Alex Parisio moved, seconded by Jeromy Geiger to approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting of May 5, 2022.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

3. RECOGNITION OF RETIREES – Mr. Prinz and Mr. Sailsbery were not present. Board members shared their appreciation for their years of service to WUSD.

3.1 RANDY PRINZ

3.2 STEVE SAILSBERY

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

5. REPORTS

5.1 **Employee Associations (WUTA & CSEA)**

WUTA – President Cathy Fleming reported:

- GCOE offered a Social-Emotional Learning Institute for teachers and it was well attended by WUSD teachers.

CSEA – No report

5.2 **Director of Business Services – Debbie Costello reported:**

- Navigating through the aftermath of the cyber-attack that happened since May 10, 2022. Business services employees have worked hard to ensure payroll was processed as well as accounts payable warrants. Access to files has been limited and are awaiting to gain access. Need to replace servers and a number of work stations.
- Summer food service is going again in partnership with Butte County Office of Education. Serving students in the summer programs as well as any children in the community 18 years or younger.
- Implementing new food service software in the fall.

- Received 2 of the 4 new passenger vans that were ordered in the fall. The other 2 will arrive later this summer. Also picked up the cargo van for the custodial lead to replace the little pick-up. It includes a ramp to make moving equipment from sites easier.

5.3 Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment – Scott Booth reported:

- CALPADS redevelopment has led the state to push back the deadline for end of year reporting to August 26, 2022.
- Due to the cyber-attack, switched Aeries to a hosted (cloud-based) site. We now have access again and are busy updating Aeries with grades, attendance, enrollments, dis-enrollments, etc. – everything that wasn't able to be entered since May 10th. We are prepping for the end of year reporting and rollover is scheduled for early July.
- Prep Academy will be held July 25-August 5. It's our first run with the ELOP summer program. It will have both academic and enrichment opportunities.
- Professional development for the History/Social Science curriculum is scheduled for August 3-8, 2022.
- Science adoption committee has decided to pilot curriculum for MES for the 2022/23 school year, and WIS selected curriculum, so it will be on display at the district office for public input and be approved at the August board meeting.
- Multiple professional development opportunities have been scheduled and will be available to teachers.
- Awaiting results from the state testing that should be released soon.

5.4 Superintendent – Emmett Koerperich reported:

- Had the honor of attending all three graduations. WCHS was very special.
- Final district enrollment was 1,416.
- The K-8 summer program at WIS is underway, averaging 115 students each day. The program is a combination of academic and enrichment activities.
- WHS summer school currently has 54 students enrolled.
- Facilities:
 - Put together a very aggressive schedule for the summer for multiple projects, but no bids were presented.
 - Directly negotiated proposals from contractors. Received two proposals – one for \$2.87 million and the other for \$3.2 million. These proposals are 3-4 times higher than expected and both offers were rejected. Planning to rebid the kitchen in October with the hope of starting construction during spring break.
 - Considering negotiating the restroom projects directly with the two contractors to get those projects started asap.
 - Flooring in the office and 300 wing is scheduled to be completed this summer.
 - The bids for the TK construction are due in August with construction beginning in October.
 - WIS will have flooring installed in the library and attached rooms this summer.
 - Working on getting the fence up in front of WIS.
 - Looking for funding to remove the portables at WIS and put modular buildings in place for next summer.
 - School Farm – potentially utilizing the current bus yard for a school farm.
 - Met with City Manager about the pool. Exploring a Joint Use Agreement to use the WHS pool. City is currently offering \$200,000 for capital improvements, but we would need more than that. More meetings are scheduled.
- Law enforcement will be using WHS on July 1, 2022 to do an active shooter training. Hoping to do some drills during the school year.
- Health and Welfare committee meeting was held on June 23, 2022. Members from both bargaining units along with District staff are reviewing insurance plans. Additional meetings are scheduled.
- Excited about the new additions to management team and looking forward to the continued growth as a district.

5.5 Board of Education Members

Lourdes Ruiz reported:

- Attended the Glenn County Fair and saw great projects.
- Attended all three graduations.
- Congratulations to Steve Sailsbery and Randy Prinz on their retirements.
- Thank you to all staff members who resigned, and congratulations to all new staff members.
- Farewell to Michelle Knight. Wish her well.

- Thank you to all community and staff members who attend the board meetings.

Alex Parisio reported:

- Attended all three graduations. WCHS was special. All were very well attended.
- Looking forward to new staff and the future of WUSD.

Gina Taylor reported:

- Thank you to Randy Prinz and Steve Sailsbery for the combined 59 years of service to WUSD.
- Welcome to all new staff members.

Jeromy Geiger reported:

- Graduations were great.
- Thank you to all staff for everything, and please be patient as modernization projects occur.
- Enjoyed barbecuing 700 hot dogs at MES with Alex Parisio and Michelle Knight.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. GENERAL

1. Accept donation from the Willows Community Thrift Shoppe in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the WHS Class of 2023.
2. Approve the surplus of 15 computer tables and 30 rolling chairs from MES.

B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. Approve Interdistrict Requests for Students #22-23-14 through #22-23-19 to attend school in the Willows Unified School District for the 2022/23 school year.
2. Approve Interdistrict Requests for Students #22-23-03 through #22-23-12 to attend school in another district for the 2022/23 school year.
3. Approve the Overnight Field Trip Request for the WHS FCCLA to attend the Region Officer Leadership Conference in Fresno July 26-29, 2022.
4. Approve the Overnight Field Trip Request for Willows FFA to attend the Officer Retreat at Lake Almanor West August 3-5, 2022.
5. Approve the Overnight Field Trip Requests for River Jim to:
 - a. Butt Valley July 27-29, 2022.
 - b. Butt Valley August 3-5, 2022

C. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. Approve employment of Nicolas Chavez, Damian Medina, Jesse Lytle, effective June 13, 2022 for Maintenance Department Summer Help.
2. Approve employment for the Summer Food Program staff to be billed to BCOE CalKidz Summer Feeding Program, effective June 13, 2022 through August 5, 2022:

Lead Cooks	Cristina Ocampo & Rene Laughlin
Assistant Cooks	Lisa Glenn, Rene Laughlin & Katie Rasmussen
Food Service Assistants	Trudy Pimblett, Rocio Vazquez, Angelica Medrano, Cristina Dueñas
3. Approve employment of Sara Cervantes, Expect Success Summer Camp Teacher, effective June 17 – July 14.
4. Approve employment of Anne Stearns, WHS Assistant Principal, effective July 1, 2022.
5. Approve employment of Rafaela Quezada, Data Management & Attendance Technician, effective July 21, 2022.
6. Approve employment of Patricia Bergmen, MES 5th Grade Teacher Intern, effective August 9, 2022.
7. Approve employment of Alma Piña, WHS Teacher, effective August 9, 2022.
8. Approve employment of Dina Ibrahim, Temporary WIS Math Intervention Teacher Intern, effective August 9, 2022. (conditional to receiving credential by August 1, 2022)
9. Approve employment of Robert Rawles, WCHS/WHS Teacher, effective August 9, 2022 (pending clearance).
10. Approve appointing Mark Huntley as a Teacher on Special Assignment at WIS for 3 periods (2 periods/1 prep period buy out) - Administrative Coverage Support for the 2022/23 school year.
11. Approve appointing Stacy Lanzi as a Teacher on Special Assignment at MES for Administrative Coverage Support for the 2022/23 school year.
12. Approve the Job Share of Jessica Rodriguez (3 days/week) and Deidre Romano (2 days/week), for 3rd Grade at MES, effective August 9, 2022 through June 9, 2023.
13. Accept resignation of Alondra Lopez-Renteria, WIS Instructional Aide II, effective June 10, 2022.
14. Accept resignation of Maira Sandoval, WIS Yard Duty Supervisor/Crossing Guard, effective June 10, 2022.

15. Accept resignation of Chris Bujalski, MES Yard Duty Supervisor/Crossing Guard, effective June 10, 2022.
16. Accept resignation of Jessamin Proctor, WHS Teacher, effective June 10, 2022.
17. Accept resignation of Kendall Smith, WHS Teacher, effective June 10, 2022.
18. Accept resignation of Stephanie Southam, Data Management & Attendance Tech, effective June 17, 2022.
19. Accept resignation of Ellen Hamilton, MES Asst. Principal, effective June 30, 2022.
20. Accept resignation of Greg Kitchen, WHS Asst. Principal, effective June 30, 2022.
21. Approve the following 2022/23 WHS Fall Coaches:

Varsity Football – Head Coach	Jimmy O’Reilly
Varsity Football – Assistants	Paul Adams & Zachery Lopeteguy
Varsity Football – Volunteers	Lino Rodriguez & Dave Rieck
JV Football – Head Coach	Andrew Lederer
JV Football – Assistant	Armando Bautista (pending clearance)
JV Football – Volunteer	Juan Puente
Varsity Volleyball – Head Coach	Carol Martin
JV Volleyball – Head Coach	Nikeedra Laufer
Varsity Girls Tennis – Head Coach	Bibiana McNeil
Cheerleading – Head Coach	Freddy Vargas
Swimming – Head Coach	Patrick Sears
Cross Country – Head Coach	Robert Stupey
22. Approve the Classified Substitute List.

D. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. Approve warrants from 5/4/22 through 6/15/22.

President Geiger asked for Item #6C-14 be pulled for discussion.

Jeromy Geiger moved, seconded by Gina Taylor to approve the consent calendar, without Item #6C-14.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

Item #6C-14 - Emmett Koerperich introduced Anne Stearns as the new Assistant Principal at WHS. Ms. Stearns introduced herself to the Board.

Jeromy Geiger moved, seconded by Lourdes Ruiz to approve Item #6C-14.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR

A. GENERAL

1. **(Action)** Accept Proposal for the Murdock Kitchen and MPR Modernization and Murdock Elementary and Willows High School Toilet Room Modernization Projects and authorize Emmett Koerperich, Superintendent to negotiate a final contract with the selected general contractor based on proposals received on June 21, 2022. No proposals were presented. No action taken.
2. **(Action)** Approve Resolution #2021-22-14 Order of Governing Board of Education Election.
Lourdes Ruiz moved, seconded by Jeromy Geiger to approve Resolution #2021-22-14 Order of Governing Board of Education Election. (Roll call vote was taken.)
AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor
NOES: None
ABSENT: Knight
MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1
3. **(Action)** Approve WUSD Member to the Golden State Risk Management Authority Board of Directors for a 2-year term starting July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

Jeromy Geiger moved, seconded by Lourdes Ruiz to approve Gina Taylor to represent WUSD on the Golden State Risk Management Authority Board of Directors for a 2-year term starting July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

4. **(Action)** Approve Julie Carriere, Anne Stearns, and Emmett Koerperich as California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) League Representatives for the 2022/23 school year.

Lourdes Ruiz moved, seconded by Gina Taylor to approve Julie Carriere, Anne Stearns, and Emmett Koerperich as California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) League Representatives for the 2022/23 school year.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

5. **(Action)** Approve Agricultural Career Technical Education Incentive Grant 2022/23 Application for Funding. Jeromy Geiger moved, seconded by Gina Taylor to approve the Agricultural Career Technical Education Incentive Grant 2022/23 Application for Funding.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

6. **(Action)** Approve the Schedule of WUSD Regular Board Meetings for the 2022/23 school year.

Gina Taylor moved, seconded by Alex Parisio to approve the Schedule of WUSD Regular Board Meetings for the 2022/23 school year.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. **(Action)** Approve expulsion of Student #2021-22-01 through the fall semester of the 2022/23 school year.

Student to comply with agreed upon Suspended Expulsion Order. Any violation of this Order will result in the student's immediate expulsion and lead to a change in placement that could include enrollment in a neighboring school district without further Board hearing. Item was pulled from the agenda.

2. **(Action)** Approve the Adoption of the following Spanish textbooks for Willows High School:

“Senderos 1” ISBN 978-1-68005-190-2 published by Vista Higher Learning.

“Senderos 2” ISBN 978-1-54335-076-0 published by Vista Higher Learning.

“Senderos 3” ISBN 978-1-54335-007-7 published by Vista Higher Learning.

Lourdes Ruiz moved, seconded by Alex Parisio to approve the adoption of the aforementioned textbooks for WHS.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

3. **(Action)** Approve the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Plan (ELOP).

Lourdes Ruiz moved, seconded by Jeromy Geiger to approve the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program Plan.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

4. **(Action)** Approve the Universal Prekindergarten Planning & Implementation Grant.

Alex Parisio moved, seconded by Jeromy Geiger to approve the Universal Prekindergarten Planning & Implementation Grant.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

5. **(Action)** Approve the 2022/23 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP).
Lourdes Ruiz moved, seconded by Gina Taylor to approve the 2022/23 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP).

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

C. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. **(Action)** Approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators for the 2022/23 school year.
Alex Parisio moved, seconded by Jeromy Geiger to approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators for the 2022/23 school year.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

D. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. **(Action)** Approve Resolution #2021-22-15 and the 2022/23 Spending Plan for the Education Protection Account.

Lourdes Ruiz moved, seconded by Gina Taylor to approve Resolution #2021-22-15 and the 2022/23 Spending Plan for the Education Protection Account.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

2. **(Action)** Approve the Willows Unified School District's 2022/23 Original Budget.

Alex Parisio moved, seconded by Lourdes Ruiz to approve the Willows Unified School District's 2022/23 Original Budget.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

3. **(Information/Discussion)** Disclosure of Reserves in Excess of Minimum Requirement. Information only – no action taken.

4. **(Action)** Approve Agreement for Professional Services with Dannis Woliver Kelley for the 2022/23 school year.

Gina Taylor moved, seconded by Jeromy Geiger to approve the Agreement for Professional Services with Dannis Woliver Kelley for the 2022/23 school year.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Ruiz, and Taylor

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

8.1 The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on August 4, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

8.2 School Starts on August 11, 2022.

9. **PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS** - None

At 7:44 p.m., the Board took a short recess after the Regular meeting before going into Closed Session. President Geiger will report out into Open Session upon the conclusion of Closed Session.

10. **CLOSED SESSION**

Closed Session began at 7:59 p.m.

10.1 Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiator – Agency Negotiator: Emmett Koerperich. Employee Organizations: WUTA, CSEA, Management and, Confidential.

10.2 Pursuant to Government Code §54957: Evaluation of Performance of a Public Employee: Superintendent

11. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

11.1 Announcement of Action Taken in Closed Session.

At 9:39 p.m., the meeting reconvened to Open Session. President Geiger reported out:

10.1: Update given to the Board.

10.2: Evaluation of Superintendent was completed. Based on the evaluation, the Board elected to extend the Superintendent's contract by one year.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.