

WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting – November 8, 2017

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 Parisio called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were: Jeromy Geiger, Alex Parisio, Gina Taylor, and Buck Ward. Members Absent: Michelle Knight

1.2 Welcome to Visitors

1.3 Flag Salute was led by Brandon McCorkle.

2. AGENDA/MINUTES

2.1 Approve the Agenda for November 8, 2017.

Mr. Geiger requested Item 5C-4 be pulled from the Consent Calendar to be voted on as a separate item.

Mr. Geiger moved, seconded by Mrs. Taylor to approve the Agenda for November 8, 2017, with Item #5C-4 being pulled from the Consent Calendar.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Taylor, Ward

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

2.2 Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 12, 2017.

Mr. Ward moved, seconded by Mrs. Taylor to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 8, 2017.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Taylor, Ward

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

2.3 Approve the Revised Schedule of WUSD Regular Board Meetings for the 2017/18 school year.

Mrs. Taylor moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger to approve the Revised Schedule of WUSD Regular Board Meetings for the 2017/18 School Year.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Taylor, Ward

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

4. REPORTS

4.1 **Employee Associations (WUTA & CSEA)** – No reports.

4.2 **Principals**

MES – Stephen Montana reported:

- End of the 1st Trimester is November 10, 2017. Report cards will go home November 16, 2017.
- The Scholastic Book Fair will be November 13-17, 2017.
- 1st Trimester Awards assemblies will be November 30, 2017.
- Jennipher Dace, Amanda Haltom, and several 5th grade students did a presentation on their Shady Creek Environmental Camp experience.

WIS – Steve Sailsbery reported:

- Grade Level Team Meetings were held on October 25, 2017. Forty-seven of the 371 students enrolled were deemed to be “at risk” of not passing. Steps have been taken to help them be more successful.
- Darren Massa, a science specialist from GCOE, is working with the science teachers on implementing the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

- Four new Chromebook carts have been ordered.
- November 13, 2017, during 3rd period, Linda Riggle and Priscilla Exeter from GCOE will be doing a pre-presentation of the CTE Exploratory Day that they will be putting on in the spring. They will be meeting with the 8th graders in order to refine their presentation and to deliver some information to students and staff.
- A “Fun Day” will be held on November 17, 2017.

WHS- David Johnstone reported:

- Volleyball and Cross Country have made it to the Section Finals.
- The Math Club “MEATS” held a competition during lunch where 60 students participated.
- Math Coaching is continuing.
- Nestor Chavez was the recipient of the 2017 CIF Fall Spirit of Sport Award for the North Section and earned a \$500 scholarship.
- An assembly will be held on November 9, 2017, to honor all fall sports and cheer and those moving onto Section finals.
- WASC visit will be in February, and the work is being done to prepare.
- Sound Instructional Practices (SIP) coaching will occur on November 13, 2017.
- Four Chromebook carts have been ordered.

WCHS – Dr. Geivett reported:

- Enrollment is 17 students.
- Four students made the “Wall of Fame” for outstanding attendance and grades.
- One student will be finishing after Christmas break, with the possibility of another one finishing shortly after that as well.
- Continuing to work on craft projects for the patients at the Willows Care Center.
- Thanksgiving Feast will be held on November 17, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.

4.3 Associated Student Body Report - No report

4.4 Director of Business Services – Debby Beymer reported

- Distributed a picture of the new food services van. Had to order one more warming cart to fit in the back. Should be in full service after the break.
- There is still Category 2 eligible money through E-rate. Applications are due in February, with notifications in August if approved. With the available funding left, we hope to have an access point in every classroom within a couple of years.

4.5 Director of State and Federal Programs – Ellen Hamilton reported:

- Last month the Board approved the Local Indicators for the California Dashboard. Information will be released to the public sometime next month. Distributed information on State and Local Indicators by LCFF Priority Areas.

4.6 Superintendent – Dr. Geivett reported:

- Plans for the gym/bleachers/cafeteria/locker rooms have been sent to the Division of State Architects (DSA). It can take 6-8 weeks for a response and approval.
- Plans for MES portable replacement and restrooms and WIS restrooms will be submitted to DSA next.
- WHS painting will occur during non-school days beginning November 10, 2017 and will continue during Thanksgiving and Christmas break.
- There has been a substantial savings in the District’s water bills since putting in wells at the sites. Saved over \$19,000 this past year.
- Last month the Board set aside funds for technology. Sites have begun making appropriate purchases to include Chromebook carts and wireless access points.
- Steven Permann has been working with Glenn County Public Health (GCPH) in regards to the WHS pool. The pool needs several repairs to continue being used. WUSD needs to put together a viable plan to make those repairs and submit it to GCPH in order to keep it open. The water is safe and the pool can be used pending the approval of the plan to make the repairs.
- PTO Upcoming Events:
 - WIS – DIY Wreath Making Class on November 30, 2017
 - MES – Kids Paint Night on December 7, 2017

4.7 Board of Education Members

Mr. Ward reported:

- Feeling very positive about what is going on within WUSD.

Mr. Geiger reported:

- Good luck to Cross Country and Volleyball teams at Section finals.

Mrs. Taylor reported:

- Congratulations to all Fall Sports teams at WHS and WIS. Good luck to Cross Country and Volleyball at Section finals.
- Her daughter was part of the Math Club competition and enjoyed it. Glad to hear about those kinds of activities at WHS.
- Bailey Morrell attended the National FFA Convention as a California State delegate. FFA members also attended the Opening/Closing competition November 7, 2017, and they did well. Ag Boosters dinner will be held on November 15, 2017.

Mr. Parisio reported:

- No report.

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

A. GENERAL

1. Accept donation from Harlow and Mary Plimpton in the amount of \$50.00 for WIS ASB.
2. Accept donation from the Willows Alumni Association in the amount of \$692.50 for Volleyball.
3. Accept donation of \$3,328.21 for instruments, sheet music, and band apparel from the Music Boosters to the WUSD music program.

B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. Approve the Interdistrict Requests for Students #17-18-26 through #17-18-32 to attend school in the WUSD for the 2017/18 school year.
2. Approve the Interdistrict Requests for Students #17-18-25 through #17-18-29 to attend school in another district for the 2017/18 school year.

C. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. Approve the job description for the Custodian Lead (District-wide)/Bus Driver.
2. Approve the reclassification of Rosa Hernandez from Custodian Lead District-wide to Custodian Lead District-wide/Bus Driver effective October 23, 2017.
3. Approve the additional hours of Vivianna Hernandez, Custodian (6 hrs/day), effective November 1, 2017.
4. Approve the employment of the following coaches:

Andrew Lederer	Volunteer JV Basketball Coach
Daniel Hartrum	Head Wrestling Coach
Brandon McCorkle	Volunteer Wrestling Coach
5. Approve the revised Classified Job Classifications.
6. Approve the revised Classified Substitute List.

D. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. Approve budget revision summary.
2. Approve warrants from 10/11/17 through 11/1/17.
3. Approve ASB Quarterly Reports – MES/WIS/WHS.

Mrs. Taylor moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger to approve the Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item #5C-4.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Taylor, Ward

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

Mr. Parisio moved, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve Item #5C-4.

AYES: Parisio, Taylor, Ward

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Geiger

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 3-0-2

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR

A. GENERAL

1. **(Discussion/Possible Action)** Shady Creek Environmental Camp Funding. Per the discussion at the October 12, 2017, Board meeting, the Board wants to help fund the 5th grade students' attendance at Shady Creek Environmental Camp. Jennipher Dace and Amanda Haltom, 5th grade teachers at MES, shared that it costs \$240 per student for the 5 day program to attend the camp, plus transportation. This year 67 students attended, so the amount was just over \$16,000 for the camp, plus \$2,000 for transportation. This camp is a beneficial program for our students. The students have been fundraising and will continue to do so as needed. Mr. Geiger moved, seconded by Mrs. Taylor to approve setting aside \$13,000 per year for the 5th graders at MES to attend Shady Creek Environmental Camp beginning with the 2017/18 school year.
AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Taylor, Ward
NOES: None
ABSENT: Knight
MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1
2. **(Action)** Approve Resolution #2017-18-04, Day of the Volunteer.
 Mr. Geiger moved, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve Resolution #2017-18-04, Day of the Volunteer. Roll call vote was taken.
AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Taylor, Ward
NOES: None
ABSENT: Knight
MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1
3. **(Information)** Approve Williams Settlement – Willows Unified School District 2017-18 Glenn County Schools Deciles 1-3 Report. This is an information item only. No approval was necessary.

B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. **(Action)** Approve the Revised WHS Bell Schedule. Discussion occurred about the number of minutes of instructional time required in a year.
 Mr. Geiger moved, seconded by Mr. Ward to approve the Revised WHS Bell Schedule to become effective January 8, 2018.
AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Taylor, Ward
NOES: None
ABSENT: Knight
MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1
2. **(Information)** Celebrating Student Success at the Schools. The Board reviewed and discussed how each of the schools are celebrating students' success.

C. HUMAN RESOURCES

D. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. **(Action)** Approve Agricultural Career Technical Education Incentive Grant – Specialized Grant. Staci Alves presented the information on the Specialized Ag Incentive Grant to purchase a stock trailer. Mrs. Taylor moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger to approve the Specialized Ag Incentive Grant.
AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Taylor, Ward
NOES: None
ABSENT: Knight
MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1
2. **(Discussion/Possible Action)** Driver's Education Vehicle.
 Mr. Geiger moved, seconded by Mrs. Taylor to approve the purchase of a 2017 Ford Focus based upon the quote from Corning Ford to be used for the Driver's Education program.
AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Taylor, Ward
NOES: None
ABSENT: Knight
MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1
3. **(Discussion/Possible Action)** Senate Bill 751 – Reserves for Economic Uncertainties.
 Mr. Parisio moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger to increase the WUSD Designation for Economic Uncertainties fund to 10%.

AYES: Geiger, Parisio, Taylor, Ward
NOES: None
ABSENT: Knight
MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 7.1 Veterans' Day Holiday (no school) will be observed on November 10, 2017.
- 7.2 The Ag Boosters Harvest Dinner will be held on November 15, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Willows Elks Lodge.
- 7.3 Murdock Elementary will be holding Parent-Teacher Conferences November 16-17, 2017. School will be dismissed at 12:00 p.m.
- 7.4 There will be a district-wide break from November 20 – November 24, 2017.
- 7.5 The WIS Winter Concert will be held on December 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
- 7.6 The Organizational Meeting will be held on December 14, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Willows Civic Center.

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

At 8:28 p.m., the Board took a short recess after the Regular Meeting before going into Closed Session. President Parisio will report out in Open Session upon the conclusion of Closed Session.

9. **CLOSED SESSION**

Closed Session began at 8:36 p.m.

- 9.1 Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiator – Agency Negotiator: Mort Geivett. Employee Organizations: WUTA, CSEA, Management, Confidential, and Non-Represented.
- 9.2 Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(a): Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing Litigation (one case) Paul Bailey v. Willows USD et. al., Case No. 16CV01592.

10. **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

10.1 Announcement of Action Taken in Closed Session

At 8:41 p.m., the meeting reconvened to Open Session. President Parisio reported out:

- Item 9.1: Update given to the Board.
- Item 9.2: Update given to the Board.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.