

**WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Regular Meeting – January 8, 2009  
Regular Session 7:00 P.M.  
Willows City Council Chambers  
201 N. Lassen Street, Willows, CA 95988**

**UNAPPROVED - TO  
BE ACTED UPON AT  
2/05/09 MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

- 1.1 Roll Call – President Brott called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: Mrs. Brott, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Geiger, Mrs. Domenighini Absent: Mr. Parisio
- 1.2 Welcome to Visitors
- 1.3 Flag Salute – Mrs. Valerie Taylor led the flag salute.

**2. AGENDA/MINUTES**

- 2.1 Consider approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of 12/04/08 and Special Meeting of 12/11/08. Mr. Thompson moved, seconded by Mrs. Domenighini, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 12/04/08. The motion passed with 4 yes votes and 1 absent. Mrs. Domenighini requested some additions to the Minutes of the Special Meeting. It was decided to wait until the January Meeting to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting, with possible changes.
- 2.2 Consider approval of Agenda for 1/08/09 – Mrs. Domenighini moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger, to approve the Agenda. The motion passed with 4 yes votes and 1 absent.

**3. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR**

**4. REPORTS**

4.1 Employee Associations (WUTA & CSEA) No reports

4.2 Principals –

(WHS) Mr. Geivett reported:

- Bianca Ramirez would not be doing the ASB report tonight because it is her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday today and she is celebrating with family.
- The second semester started today. Mr. Geivett had received no complaints about changing the end of semester date to before Christmas. He had heard a number of positive statements about the change.
- Unfortunately, the WHS Band had not been selected to play for President Obama's inaugural parade in Washington D.C. Four thousand bands had applied for the privilege.
- Report cards will be handed out during 7<sup>th</sup> period tomorrow.
- School Site Council will meet at 7:00 a.m. on January 15.
- The winter concert will be held at 7:00 on January 24.
- The next Boosters' Meeting will be held on February 2 at 7:00 p.m. He thanked the Boosters for purchasing jackets for the soccer team.
- CAHSEE testing will be on February 3.
- February 7 the Academic Decathlon will be held at WHS. The Super Quiz will be held around 2:45 p.m.
- ASB – winter sports are in full swing. The Winter Ball will be held on January 17. January 30 is Homecoming.

(MES) Mrs. Parsons reported:

- Murdock has been having regular fire drills. Next week they will have earthquake and intruder on campus drills.
- January 14 six teachers will be going to Orland to look at textbooks for adoption.
- CPR Training will be held on January 21 and January 22.
- Progress reports go out on January 16.

(WIS) – No report

(WCHS) Mr. Rutherglen reported:

- Independent Study has 30 students enrolled.

- WCHS will have an awards assembly tomorrow and students will receive report cards.
  - School Site Council will meet next Wednesday.
  - An assembly will be held on communicable disease and AIDS in February.
- 4.3 Director of Business Services – Ms. Skala reported:
- She worked during the holiday season and was able to accomplish a great deal.
  - They are working toward the Second Interim Report.
  - They are evaluating expenses and working on position control. She's looking at stipends, overtime, etc., for the current year and next year.
  - Mr. Rudy is updating and refining the budget information for next year on QSS.
  - CSR funding is being deferred, by the State, until the end of the year.
  - They are looking at supplemental hourly programs and how to make them more cost effective.
  - The District is 403 B compliant with STRS.
- 4.4 Director of Technology Services – No report
- 4.5 Director of Transportation/Facilities Operations – Mrs. Taylor wished everyone a happy new year and welcomed Mr. Geiger to the Board. She is preparing for the annual CHP inspection on January 13.
- 4.6 Director of Categorical Programs – No report
- 4.7 Superintendent – He welcomed everyone to 2009 and wished Mrs. Parsons a happy birthday.
- 4.8 Governing Board Members – Mrs. Domenighini welcomed everyone to the new year. There were no other reports.

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. GENERAL**

**B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

1. Approve Interdistrict transfers for Students #08-09-40 and #08-09-41 to attend school in the WUSD for the 2008/09 school year.

**C. HUMAN RESOURCES**

1. Ratify employment of Samantha Taylor as Yard Duty Supervisor at Murdock.

**D. BUSINESS SERVICES**

1. Consider approval of budget revisions.
2. Consider approval of warrants from 11/25/08 through 12/17/08.

Mrs. Domenighini moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion passed with 4 yes votes.

**6. DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR**

**A. GENERAL**

1. **(No Action needed)** Williams Uniform Complaint quarterly report. (No Complaints)

**B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

1. **(Action)** – Second Reading of the following Board Policies (Maintenance Updates):
  - BP 1020 Youth Services
  - BP/AR 3311 Bids
  - BP/AR 3514 Environmental Safety
  - BP 3517 Facilities Inspection
  - BP/AR 4112.24 Teacher Qualifications Under the No Child Left Behind Act
  - BP 4132 Publication or Creation of Materials
  - 4232
  - 4332
  - BP 4136 Nonschool Employment
  - 4236
  - 4336
  - BP 4137 Tutoring
  - BP 4151 Employee Compensation
  - BP 4251

4351		
BP/AR 4161	Leaves	
4261		
BP 4361	Leaves	
BP/AR 5112.1	Exemptions from Attendance	
BP/AR 5131.1	Bus Conduct	
BP 6141	Curriculum Development and Evaluation	
BP 6141.5	Advanced Placement	
BP/AR 6142.1	Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction	
BP/AR 6142.8	Comprehensive Health Education	
BP/AR 6146.11	Alternative Credits Toward Graduation	
BP 6162.6	Use of Copyrighted Materials	
BP/AR 6163.2	Animals at School	
BP/AR 6172	Gifted and Talented Student Program	
BP/AR 6172.1	Concurrent Enrollment in College Classes	
BP 6178.2	Regional Occupational Center/Program	
AR 7160	Charter School Facilities	
BB 9124	Attorney	
BB 9324	Minutes and Recordings	

Mrs. Domenighini asked to discuss BP 1020, BP/AR 3514, BP 6141, BB 9124, and BB 9324 for two reasons. She felt the Board needed to study thoroughly the full language of the policies with options. The Board needs to have a full understanding of what is possible and what their responsibilities were. She used BB 9124 and BP 1020 as examples. Mr. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger, to approve the Policies as presented. The motion passed with 3 yes votes. Mrs. Domenighini voted no.

3. **(Action)** Consider expulsion of Student #2008-09-03. Administration recommends: Student #2008-09-03 be expelled through the end of the spring semester of 2008/09. The expulsion shall be suspended and the student will be enrolled in Willows High School with conditions. If the conditions are violated, he will be placed at Willows Community High School. The student should seek and show successful attendance in a counseling program outside the District (at no cost to the District). A counselor/site administrator will review this contract with the student upon his/her return to school after signing this document. Student will not leave campus after arriving without first obtaining permission from administration. Any violation of the Stipulated Expulsion Order, which includes 20 hours of volunteer community service, will result in the Student's immediate expulsion and placement in the Willows Community High School without further Board Hearing -

Mr. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger to accept administration's recommendation.

4. **(Action)** Consider expulsion of Student #2008-09-04. Administration recommends: Student #2008-09-04 be expelled through the end of the spring semester of 2008/09. The Student will be placed in the Willows High Community Day School. Student should seek and show successful attendance in a substance abuse counseling program outside the District (at no cost to the District). Periodic drug testing will be completed at no cost to the District. A counselor/site administrator will review this contract with the student upon his/her return to school after signing this document. Student will complete 20 hours of volunteer community service -

Mr. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger, to accept administration's recommendation.

5. **(Discussion)** Consider changes to Exhibit 5111.11, Caregiver's Authorization Affidavit –After discussion, the Board directed the Superintendent to bring back Option 2, for vote, to the February Meeting.

### **C. HUMAN RESOURCES**

1. **(Action)** Consider approval of revision of possible budget cuts for 2009/10 school year. There was lengthy discussion on this item. Dr. Olmos explained it was an ever-changing and growing list. Mr. Thompson shared his concerns about eliminating class size reduction and the impact it would have on Murdock. He hoped to not make a decision on CSR until they knew the number of retirees. There was discussion on how the number of retirees would affect the number of teachers receiving layoff notices. Dr. Olmos explained the remaining teachers would receive more aide

time in their classes. Mr. Thompson said the elimination of CSR would be devastating to Murdock. He asked Mrs. Domenighini if she would be voting on this issue. She said she would. He said it could be a conflict of interest for her because students leaving Murdock could be going to William Finch. He said, as a parent, if the District makes the decision to eliminate CSR, he will be considering home schooling. Mrs. Domenighini disagreed that it was a conflict. Mr. Thompson replied the Board and District counsel had gone to great lengths to show there is a potential for a conflict of interest for Mrs. Domenighini. He felt they needed to heed the attorney's advice. Mrs. Brott said the subject of conflict could be brought back to a future meeting. There was more discussion on CSR. Dr. Olmos said if 9 teachers were cut at Murdock, there would be approximately 26 students per class. If 13 teachers are cut, there would be approximately 32 students per class. Mr. Thompson was concerned the quality of education would be affected. After more discussion, Mr. Geiger moved, seconded by Mr. Thompson, to approve the proposed list of cuts. The motion passed with 4 yes votes.

**D. BUSINESS SERVICES**

1. **(Action)** Consider approval of Independent Auditors Financial Report (Matson & Isom) for WUSD Fiscal Year 2007/08. (audit is available for preview at the WUSD office.) Mrs. Skala reported the audit was a good report with no findings. Mr. Thompson moved, seconded by Mrs. Domenighini, to approve the Financial Report. The motion passed with 4 yes votes.
2. **(Action)** Consider approval of 2008/09 Agricultural Vocational Education Incentive Grant in the amount of \$10,000. Mrs. Domenighini moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger, to approve the Grant. The motion passed with 4 yes votes.

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 5, 2009, at 7:00 P.M.

**8. CLOSED SESSION**

The Meeting adjourned to a five minute recess and then Closed Session at 8:04 p.m.

1. Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiator – Agency negotiator: Steve Olmos. Employee Organization: WUTA/CSEA.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The Meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.