



The Mission of Winfield District 34 is to challenge, inspire and empower passion within all learners.

BOARD BRIEFS

BUDGET HEARING—AUGUST 27, 2015 6:55 P.M.

Public Input:

Members of the public may address the Board of Education regarding the FY16 Budget-No one made any public comments.

Presentation Of FY16 Budget

Doug Gallois, Director of Business Services-Gave a presentation with facts and figures that summarized the FY16 Budget.

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REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING—AUGUST 27, 2015 7:00 P.M.

Action Items:

The Board accepted/approved the following items:

- Minutes from: Regular Board Meeting on June 18, 2015
Closed Session Meetings on June 18, 2015
- All July and August Finance Reports that included-
 - Accounts payable
 - Bill List
 - Treasurer's Report
 - Fund Balance Report
 - Bank Reconciliation
- Accepted Resignations of Paraprofessionals: Bethany Morris, Jan Parcell and JoAnn Nelson
- Approved Employment of Paraprofessionals: Linda Rosenbaum, Lynne Theisen, and Lacey Slatton
- Approved Application for Recognition of Schools 2015-16
- Approved FOIA Request from Sheet Metal Workers
- Approved Health Benefits Renewal Plan
- Approved second reading and adoption of policies:
2:250, 3:40, 3:50, 3:60, 4:45, 5:40, 5:120, 5:180, 5:270, 5:290, 5:330, 6:15, 6:40
- Approved Adoption of FY16 Budget
- Approved Employment Contract of Business Manager, Doug Gallois

Public Comment:

No comment cards were presented.

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Presentations:

Revised PreK-5 Report Cards- Dawn Reinke and the Report Card Committee-Teachers presented the new report cards and highlighted the changes made.

Reports:

From the Superintendent-

1. Approve Health Benefits Renewal Plan- A representative from American Westbrook presented information about upcoming changes to the Affordable Care Act. Those changes prompted the District to lock in rates for one more year.
2. Discuss April Workshop-The Board chose Saturday, April 9th from 8-11 a.m. to work with Mark VanClay on data from the Strategic Plan.
3. Special Board Meeting December 10, 2015 6-9 p.m.-Reminder to the Board regarding the evaluation workshop with Barb Toney.
4. Action Planning Workshop Update-Some members of the Strategic Plan Committee worked with Mark VanClay to write SMART goals for the new District dashboard.
5. SASED Update-Update on the last SASED Board meeting that they are looking to become a legal entity of their own.
6. KIDS Survey Update-There is uncertainty on this assessment with a new state superintendent now in office. Will keep you posted.

From the Principal-

1. PARCC Update- Results will be coming in late fall. Changes to this year's test include one test session, which will be shorter and simpler. There will be a science test for grades 5, 8, & 10 to replace the ISAT science which will be taken in the spring.
2. Curriculum Update-Mrs. Reinke reviewed the new curriculum programs in the District this year.
3. Discussion Regarding Soccer-The soccer conference has been reduced to three schools with soccer teams, which prompted the decision to run intramurals only this year with the hope that more schools will be joining the conference next year.
The current enrollment figure was shared. As of this date there are 319 students, compared to 339 last year at this time.

From the Director of Business Services-

1. Presentation-FY16 Budget - Doug Gallois, Director of Business Services, asked the Board to approve the FY16 budget as presented.
2. Primary Roofing Project Update-The final roof project has been completed, credit to Paul DuFresne our maintenance man, and Chris Grandy from FGM. There are a few items on the punch list to be done, which are nothing major.
- D. Winfield Education Foundation Report- Due to many disagreements between the districts, the joint fundraiser has been canceled. It was a great idea, but had to spend too much money to make money.

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Old Business-

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New Business-

1. Items For Future Agendas- Board member suggestion to discuss the issue of class sizes and establishing Board parameters. This discussion will begin at the September Board meeting. Dr. Kell to provide data for this including historical data, and statistics from other Districts.

Adjourn To Closed Session- REASON # 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).

The next meeting of the Board will be September 24, 2015, Regular Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Central School Commons.

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