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USD 353 Wellington Public Schools Board Summary Regular Board Meeting 4.13.17

The board met in regular session on Thursday, April 13th at 7:00 p.m. and six members were present. The board took action on several personnel and approved the following items:

- Out of state travel for the for Mr. Peine, Director of Special Education.
- District Strategic Plan.
- District Communication Plan.
- Calendar for 17-18.
- Bid for waterproofing the north exterior wall of the main WMS gym.
- Financial Meal Policy.

The board discussed the following items:

- Partnering with Futures during 17-18 for a preschool at Kennedy
- Elementary Schedules for 17-18
- MTSS Intervention Curriculum
- Elementary Music Curriculum
- WHS Performing Arts Out of State Travel
- High School Parking Lot Lighting

Executive Session for Personnel-The board entered into an executive session for personnel at 7:02 and returned to regular session at 7:12.

Approved Consent Agenda-The board approved the consent agenda as presented:

Approved Bills, Payroll and Transfers as Presented:

- 1. Bills: \$343,418.39
- 2. Payroll: \$573,519.65
- 3. Transfers: At Risk \$100,000 and Vocations \$60,000

Approved Personnel as Presented:

1. Approve Resignations Brandy Wycoff 1st grade Eisenhower Lauren Hickman P.E. WHS

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Brenda Gray Cheer Sponsor WMS Linda Rausch Asst Cheer WMS Luke Smith Asst Boys Basketball WHS Jordan Tompkins Asst Tennis WHS Sarah Reichenberger Para-Educator Terrence Nichols Para-Educator Marilyn Moore-Para-Educator

2. Approve New Personnel

Blake Brewster Head Voleyball WHS Adrian Young Asst Boys Tennis WHS James Ginter Girls Golf WHS Vanessa Sawyer Girls Golf WHS J'Lynn Ladesma Asst Girls Track WMS Meridith Day Roving Para Mandi Harris Para Lincoln John Buckendorff WHS High School Principal Kellyn Holt 1st Grade Kennedy Brianna Young 1st Grade IKE

Action Items

Approved out of state travel. Mr. Peine will attend the Special Education Legislative Summit in Alexandria VA in July.

Approved a bid for \$12,174 to seal the exterior north wall of the main gym at WMS. The north wall leaks during heavy rains and caused some damage to the floor.

Approved the district five-year strategic plan. The district began the strategic planning process in the spring of 2016. The strategic plan will be posted on the district website.

Approved the district comprehensive communication plan. The district communication plan gives guidance to administration and staff regarding the implementation of communication for all stakeholders.

Approved the district calendar for 17-18. The calendar is virtually identical to the 16-17 calendar.

Approved the Negative Meal Balance Policy. This policy gives guidance to schools when students' meal accounts become negative.

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Reports/Discussions

Out of State Travel

The WHS Performing arts students requested permission to attend the International Thespian Festival-June 22-28 in Lincoln Nebraska.

Music Curriculum

The district last purchased elementary music curriculum in 1995. Elementary music teachers proposed a blended program (technology and some paper resources).

Elementary Schedules 17-18

The state is requiring schools to offer tutoring blocks for MTSS Tier 2 and Tier 3 in both math and reading. MTSS is a requirement for accreditation. Previously, some schools offered only a reading block. In order to meet state guidelines, elementary schools will need to revamp the schedule for 17-18.

Futures Preschool

Stephanie Smith, principal of Kennedy recently hosted FUTURES staff and district administration for a tour of the Kennedy facility. The group toured the portable buildings as a potential location for a preschool. District administration would like to develop a shared agreement with FUTURES to provide space for a preschool.

MTSS Intervention Curriculum

Mr. Peine presented data related to students' math and reading progress, at the March BOE meeting. Many USD 353 students are significantly below grade level in both subjects. The district's MTSS process slated for full implementation in the fall of 2017 will begin to address such deficiencies. Mr. Peine presented some intervention curriculums designed for tiered instruction.

High School Lights

A new LED head was placed on one light pole on the rear parking lot at WHS. Mr. Morris is currently looking for bids related to both exterior LED lights, and lights for the WHS gyms and auditorium.

Executive Session

The board entered into executive session at approximately 8:52 p.m. for legal matters. The board returned to regular session at 9:24 and adjourned soon after.

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