



USD 353  
Wellington Public Schools  
Board Summary  
Regular Board Meeting  
2.14.17

The board met in regular session on Monday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and seven members were present. The board took action on several personnel, approved Middle School Orientation for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders, and adopted a resolution to extend board members terms of office per state statute. The board also discussed various issues facing the district including kindergarten readiness, the district Day School, and a practicum agreement with WSU.

**Approved new personnel as presented:**

Vicki Holcomb Special Education Teacher-WHS 17/18

Chanel Marshall English Teacher-WHS 17/18

Bailey Walker-para-educator at Kennedy

The board also approved several reading tutors for the KRR grant.

The board approved contract extensions for all building level administrators and the director of special education.

**The board also approved Mr. Adam Hatfield as Asst. Superintendent of Schools beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. Mr. Hatfield succeeds Mr. Brad Morris who will retire on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017.**

**Approved Resignations/Retirements**

Ann Hendricks-clerical WMS  
Michelle Reid-Media Clerk WMS/WHS  
Joe Newman WMS Asst. Football Coach  
Brandi Kerschner-Para at Kennedy  
Neena Mayfield-WMS Electives  
Deb Beougher -WHS Volleyball coach  
Pam Renn-2<sup>nd</sup> grade-Kennedy  
Kathi Dwyer-ELA WMS  
Linda Wasser-ELA WMS

## **Action Items**

Approved WMS Orientation for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders to be held Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>.

Approved a resolution to extend the term of office for current board members up for reelection from July to January. The extension is necessary due to a change in the election date for school board members.

Approved the district vision statement:

**USD 353 will be leaders of innovative, future-focused learning by bringing schools, community, and students together to adapt to the changing world.**

## **Innovative--Future-Focused-Real World**

L E A R N I N G

All district staff were invited to vote on the vision statement and out of 160 votes cast, 157 voted "yes".

## **Reports/Discussions**

### **Day School Services**

Mr. Peine reported on a draft plan to partner with Interlocal 619. The proposal would allow 619 students to attend the USD 353 Day School.

### **WSU Practicum**

Mr. Peine also reported USD 353 and WSU entered into an agreement whereby the district will provide practicum experiences for students in the university's social work program.

### **Food Service**

Mr. Morris gave a report on the district contract food service program. It was reported the food service cash balance is up approximately \$80,000 over the same period last year. Mr. Morris also reported a significant increase in the number of students eating a hot lunch.

### **Locker Rooms**

Mr. Whitener provided the board with a set of draft plans for a new locker room facility at the football stadium. The district will seek to partner with the city on the project.

### **Kindergarten Readiness**

The superintendent reported on talks with Future's Unlimited to provide space in one elementary for a preschool program. The district is in the beginning stages of talks to partner more closely with Futures to ensure students are kindergarten ready. Kindergarten readiness is a state board outcome and is one measure for district accreditation.

## **Executive Session**

The board entered into executive session at approximately 7:50 for nonelected personnel. After the executive session, the board extended the contracts for building administrators and the director of special education. The board also named Adam Hatfield as Asst. Superintendent of Schools beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Adjournment**

The board adjourned around 9:00 p.m.