Work Session

Board of Education

August 6, 2018

6:00 PM

This work session was opened with roll call. Troy Bauder, Jen Jenson, Derek Knobloch, Scott Lee, and Justin Metzger were in attendance. Supt. Kreman and Les Douma were also in attendance.

Motion #2635

Moved by Knobloch and seconded by Bauder to approve the agenda. Motion carried, all members voting “yes”.

Les Douma, of Douma Consulting, started the meeting by distributing and reviewing a document from IASB titled “The Standards for Effective School Boards”. Based on best practice and research, the standards encourage Boards to focus on student achievement as their primary responsibility. Les then reviewed nine standards for Effective Schools.

A list of desired Superintendent Characteristics was reviewed. This list is based on responses from the Superintendent Search Focus Groups.

Using the Focus Group responses, Professional Goals for the Superintendent for 2018-19 were developed and include:

1. Exhibit and Facilitate Effective Communication with all stakeholders in the West Lyon School District.
2. Develop and Exhibit High Expectations for all learners in the West Lyon School District.

Superintendent Kreman will be responsible for drafting the goals, implementation methods, review methods, and timelines. These will be presented to the Board for review and approval in September.

Superintendent Kreman talked to the Board about his first month on the job and reflected on what he has seen and learned up to this point.

Motion # 2636

Moved by Bauder and seconded by Metzger to adjourn this work session at 9:45 PM. Motion carried, all members voting “yes”.

Regular Meeting

Board of Education

August 13, 2018

7:00 PM

This regular meeting was opened with roll call. Troy Bauder, Jen Jenson, Derek Knobloch, Scott Lee and Justin Metzger were in attendance. Supt Kreman and Principals Jiskoot and Snyder were also in attendance.

Motion #2637

Moved by Bauder and seconded by Knobloch to approve the agenda with the addition of approval of Heather Serck’s resignation. Motion carried, all members voting “yes”.

The Board formally recognized Eric Fiech for his 39 years as teacher and driver’s ed instructor at West Lyon

Melissa Stillson of Lyon County Health Services gave a presentation on the nursing services they provide at West Lyon. Along with Melissa were Maggie Landegent and Brooke Niemeyer who also work at LCHS. Mrs. Stillson said she wanted to meet with each of the School Boards in Lyon County. She talked about all the things that an RN does for each school and encouraged the Board to investigate having a full time nurse through LCHS to work with the current nurse aide, Sue Faber.

Motion #2638

Moved by Metzger and seconded by Bauder to approve the consent items. Motion carried, all members voting “yes”.

Supt. Kreman said he would like to recognize the efforts of Lyle Impecoven for hosting the Superintendent’s Meeting and the Board Work Session on August 6th.

Scott Lee reported that he had received traffic control concerns following the recent car accident near the school. The Board asked that school officials contact the County Engineer to see if anything more could be done to make intersections near the school safer for students.

Principal Snyder indicated that he and some teachers are interviewing for open teacher aide positions.

Principal Jiskoot reported that 7th grade orientation will be taking place. He also reported that the high school has an opening for a speech sponsor.

Superintendent Kreman reported to the Board on the following:

* He had met with Beth Frankenstein of NCC to talk about concurrent enrollment opportunities for West Lyon students and our current articulation agreement.
* Construction progress.
* Meetings with community and business leaders.
* The development of a Belief Statement for the district.
* Work session follow up and areas for goals.
* Dual enrollment for home school students.

Motion #2639

Moved by Bauder and seconded by Metzger to approve the resignation of Tami Van Beek, Sherry Caolan and heather Serck as teacher aides. Motion carried, all members voting “yes”.

Motion #2640

Moved by Knobloch and seconded by Jenson to approve contracts for Chelsea Tilstra as assistant volleyball coach and Dana Peschon as junior high volleyball coach. Motion carried, all members voting “yes”.

Motion # 2641

Moved by Metzger and seconded by Bauder to approve the hire of Melissa Rozeboom as a cook. Motion carried, all members voting “yes”.

Motion #2642

Moved by Knobloch and seconded by Jenson to approve the Open Enrollment requests for Tyler and Jared Messner. Motion carried, all members voting “yes”.

Motion#2643

Moved by Bauder and seconded by Jenson to approve ISJIT, American State Bank, Peoples Bank, and Security Savings Bank as depositories for school funds up to $6,400,000. Motion carried, all members voting “yes”.

Supt. Kreman reviewed the current 100 and 200 hundred series Board Policies as well as Policy Primer Policies from IASB for the same series. The Board will take action on these policies in September.

Supt Kreman asked the Board to consider attending this year’s IASB conference.

Supt. Kreman told the Board that he will be developing ideas for expanding the use of the SIAC committee and intends to schedule several meetings during the school year.

Supt. Kreman asked the Board to check their calendars for possible dates for the next Work Session.

The Board left the meeting room to do a walk-through of the construction site.

Motion #2644

Moved by Bauder and seconded by Metzger to adjourn this meeting at 9:10 PM. Motion carried, all members voting “yes”.