

**Wenden Elementary School  
Board of Trustees and the Public  
Regular Board Meeting 6 p.m.  
February 19, 2020  
Wenden Elementary District Office**

**Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes – February 19, 2020**

**Board Members Present:**

Gary Saiter  
Kelly Stacy  
Chris Haines  
Larry O’Daniel

**Board Members Absent:**

**Employees Present:**

Gloria Dean  
Sandra Cruz  
Marsha Harold  
Susan Rohrig  
Lupe Lard

**Audience:**

Andrew Kauffman

**Regular Monthly Meeting Agenda:**

1. Call Regular Meeting to order - Mr. Saiter called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance - Mr. Saiter led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Approve Agenda of Regular Meeting of February 19, 2020. Mr. Haines motioned to approve the regular board meeting agenda. Mr. O’Daniel seconded the motion. Motion approved 4-0.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Gary Saiter</i>	X		
<i>Larry O’Daniel</i>	X		
<i>Kelly Stacy</i>	X		
<i>Chris Haines</i>	X		

4. Consent Agenda  
*All items listed under the Consent Agenda will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the vote on the motion to remove an item from the Consent Agenda for further discussion and action. Such discussion and action shall take place on items removed from the Consent Agenda immediately following the vote on the Consent Agenda. Consent Agenda items may include any non-controversial subjects.*

- A. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, January 13, 2020.
- B. Resolution for Salary and Other Expenses
- C. Ratify Payroll and Other Expense Vouchers
- D. Year to Date Expenditure Report – Student Activities - Revenue Report

Mr. Haines motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented.  
Mr. O’Daniel seconded the motion. Motion approved 4-0.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Gary Saiter</i>	X		
<i>Larry O’Daniel</i>	X		
<i>Kelly Stacy</i>	X		
<i>Chris Haines</i>	X		

**5. Information Items**

- A. Cafeteria Report. - None
- B. Student Activities - Ms. Harold and the board reviewed the reports.
  - 8th Grade

- Student Council

C. Maintenance and Custodial Report - None

**6. Summary of Current Events**

*(Items to be heard only; the Board will not propose, discuss, or take legal action during the meeting unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.)*

**A. Gloria Dean, Superintendent - Administrative Report.**

**February 12, 2020** - 8th Grade Visitation Trip to Salome High School, 9:00 am. All 8<sup>th</sup> grade students attended and represented Wenden Elem. School very well.

**February 15, 2020** – Chili Cook Off - Folkloric Dancers will perform and 8th grade will have concession stand/booth. Our dancers were the only ones that performed at the Chili Cook Off.

**February 18, 2020 - Stephen Avila finished the Spelling Bee as runner up.** Carter McCabe will represent Wenden School as winner and Stephen Avila as runner up. Jennifer McCarty is and has been Spelling Bee Sponsor.

**February 19, 2020** - Yearly bus evacuation will be completed per DPS requirements. All students K-8th grades must participate in the drill. Once complete we notify DPS and communicate day, time, bus driver ID and administration sign off. This drill included fire drill and bus evacuation for all students, which went well.

**February 20, 2020 – ADE Rescheduled to May 7, 2020.** ADE Monitoring for special education records (IEPs). Approximately 7 IEPs will be randomly reviewed. 3 Typical, 1 Speech 1 ELL/Sped, 1 Autism, 1 Initial Evaluation

**February 24, 2020** - Parent Teacher Conferences will be held for through 24-27 by parental/teacher appointments. We are seeing a better turnout as we accommodate the parents and schedule conferences around their time.

Miss Miller, Ms. Napier, Miss Palma will be attending "Read Naturally" training. The goal is to have all teachers and instructional staff trained and using the same reading intervention curriculum.

**February 26 and 27, 2020**

Dolbridge Audit Firm will be on campus both days.

Science Fair – Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 5-7 p.m. - Theme is water cycle

Ms. Dean also informed the board that the investigator has completed the report on the basketball game incident and has cleared the school and staff members from any wrong doing.

**B. Board Member – Members of the Board may speak regarding current events.**

Mr. Stacy commented that Salome High School girls are going to Prescott for the State 1A State Championship for their basketball season.

Mr. Saiter updated the board on the Smelter Project status. He stated that Mr. Duce Minor would like to get the Alliance Metal Project approved. The Alliance Metal Project personnel have agreed to a number of corrective stipulations on the application. They have stated they will not use the county road for travel but highway 60 as an alternate route. The Alliance Metal Project will have open houses on the following dates February 27, 2020 at Salome Restaurant from 12 to 2 p.m., February 28, 2020 at Crystals Café in Wenden from 12 to 2 p.m. and at the Centennial Community Center from 12 to 3:00 p.m. The Alliance Metals have not paid any rezoning fees to the county as to date. The Alliance Metals employment opportunities and investments in our county have been reduced according to Mr. Saiter.

**7. Call to the Public – None**

*This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S § 38-431.01(H), action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.*

**8. New Business**

**A. Discussion on Governor's Red for Ed Funding for district teachers.**

Ms. Dean informed the board on an anonymous letter that was sent to the school administrator and other staff members in regards to Red for Ed Funding for teachers on Thursday, February 13, 2020. Ms. Harold

explained to the board on how the Arizona Department of Education has distributed funds for the Red for Ed. She also explained that teachers will receive some of those funds in the next payroll.

Ms. Rohrig stated that they had questions in regards to the time line and amounts that the Arizona State had allocated for it but was confused on the whole process.

Ms. Dean stated that administration researched this concern and found a resolution to this issue. Ms. Dean stated she had meet with teachers and had explained the process to them today after school.

Ms. Rohrig stated that the letter was an attack on administration and not very professional. Our board meetings have always been open to the public.

Mr. Saiter stated that he will never invite anyone to an meetings because they have always been welcome to come and our agendas are always posted twenty four hours before the meetings. Mr. Saiter said that the thinks that the threatening letter towards administration from a concerned parent came from an employee.

Mr. Stacy stated that the Arizona Department of Education should be giving schools clearer guidelines for funding disbursements.

Ms. Harold stated that the problem will be corrected and the teachers have been notified.

**B. Discussion and possible action to approve the FY2020-2021 school year calendar.**

Mr. Stacy motioned to approve the FY 2020-2021 school year with August 17, 2020 being the first school day and June 7, 2021 being the last day (Calendar 2). Mr. Haines seconded the motion. Motion approved 4-0.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Gary Saiter</i>	X		
<i>Larry O'Daniel</i>	X		
<i>Kelly Stacy</i>	X		
<i>Chris Haines</i>	X		

**C. Discussion and possible action on approving the current salary schedule to reflect the minimum wage increase as presented for classified personnel.**

Mr. Haines motioned to approving the current salary schedule to reflect the minimum wage increase as presented for classified personnel. Mr. O'Daniel seconded the motion. Motion approved 4-0.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Gary Saiter</i>	X		
<i>Larry O'Daniel</i>	X		
<i>Kelly Stacy</i>	X		
<i>Chris Haines</i>	X		

**D. Discussion and possible action to approve the Certified Salary Schedule for FY2020-2021 as presented.**

Mr. O'Daniel motioned to approve the Certified Salary Schedule for FY2020-2021 as presented. Mr. Stacy seconded the motion. Motion approved 4-0.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Gary Saiter</i>	X		
<i>Larry O'Daniel</i>	X		
<i>Kelly Stacy</i>	X		
<i>Chris Haines</i>	X		

**E.** Discussion and possible action to approve the Classified Salary Schedule for FY2020-2021 as presented.

Mr. Haines motioned to approve the Classified Salary Schedule for FY2020-2021 as presented.

Mr. Stacy seconded the motion. Motion approved 4-0.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Gary Saiter</i>	X		
<i>Larry O'Daniel</i>	X		
<i>Kelly Stacy</i>	X		
<i>Chris Haines</i>	X		

**F.** Discussion and possible action to approve a step raise or salary freeze for certified personnel for 2020-2021.

Mr. Haines motioned to approve a step raise for certified personnel for 2020-2021 school year.

Mr. O'Daniel seconded the motion. Motion approved 4-0.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Gary Saiter</i>	X		
<i>Larry O'Daniel</i>	X		
<i>Kelly Stacy</i>	X		
<i>Chris Haines</i>	X		

**G.** Discussion and possible action to approve a step raise or salary freeze for classified personnel for 2020-2021.

Mr. Haines motioned to approve a step raise for classified personnel for 2020-2021 school year.

Mr. O'Daniel seconded the motion. Motion approved 4-0.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Gary Saiter</i>	X		
<i>Larry O'Daniel</i>	X		
<i>Kelly Stacy</i>	X		
<i>Chris Haines</i>	X		

**H.** Requests for future Agenda items. None

**9.** Adjourn Regular Meeting:

Mr. Saiter motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Signature of Approval of Minutes

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