

ARROWHEAD UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
JUNE 11, 2003
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Goodnow at 7:15 p.m. in the South Campus Conference Room.

Everyone rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Jack Goodnow, Joe LeBlanc, John Greidanus, Jack Gutschenritter, Randy Howell, Judie Ristow, Bob Rosch, Al Zietlow

Unable to attend: Sue Schultz

Administration present: Dave Lodes, Steve Kopecky, Bonnie Laugerman, Gregg Wiczorek

Also present: Kristi Haunfelder, Lake Country Reporter

The meeting was properly posted.

Moved by LeBlanc, seconded by Gutschenritter to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2003, Regular Board meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to approve the operating bill list and pay vouchers 093409-093596, 093598-093814, and 093816-093841 in the amount of \$544,219.21. Motion Carried.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS – None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Lodes reported that graduation was held indoors on Sunday, June 8, 2003. The last day of school for students is June 12, 2003, concluding with three half-days of exams. The last day for teachers is June 13, 2003. The Management Team will meet next week to discuss district-wide initiatives, grade 8/9 transition, and technology-related issues. We will receive AP scores in July and ACT scores in August. The Management Team will analyze this data in preparation for the 2003/2004 school year.

CURRICULUM – Chairperson Goodnow reviewed the minutes of the May 29, 2003, meeting. The Curriculum Committee voted to provide preliminary approval of the concept of the spring band trip to Florida scheduled for April 2004, pending further information regarding additional activities and performances.

FINANCE & LEGISLATION – Chairperson LeBlanc noted that the Annual Meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2003.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Chairperson Zietlow reviewed the minutes of the May 28, 2003, meeting. Through the Request for Proposal process, the committee selected a bidder to replace the three steam boilers at South Campus with new, energy-efficient boilers. The existing boilers were installed in 1955, when South Campus was originally constructed; they are inefficient and replacement parts are difficult to obtain. The total cost of the proposed project is \$199,617 and includes the removal of an underground fuel storage tank that would no longer be needed. Preliminary estimates of the cost of the project were not to exceed \$170,000; however, the additional expense would be offset by a Focus on Energy Grant, sale of the underground fuel storage tank, and through the annual cost savings realized in natural gas, electricity, boiler chemicals, and in boiler cleaning and repairs. It is a priority of the committee to replace the boilers by August 15, 2003. Funds are available in the Buildings and Grounds 2002/2003 energy account and 2003/2004 preliminary budget for the total cost of the project as proposed. The consensus of the Board of Education was that the committee move forward with the project as presented.

PERSONNEL – Dr. Lodes reported that the initial teacher contract exchange of proposals was held on May 29, 2003. Teacher contract negotiations are scheduled for June 24, August 11, and August 25, 2003. The initial support staff contract exchange of proposals was held on June 3, 2003. Support staff contract negotiations are scheduled for July 9, July 29, and August 14, 2003. Further discussion of teacher and support staff contract negotiations will be held in closed session.

POLICY – The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for June 19, 2003.

WASB – No report.

CESA – Mr. Greidanus reported on the CESA #1 Annual Convention, which he attended on May 20, 2003, as the Convention Delegate.

ADSEC – No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moved by Ristow, seconded by Zietlow to approve the 2003/2004 Bank Depository Resolution as presented. Motion Carried.

The Board of Education reviewed the Combined Information and Technology Plan 2003-2006, which was prepared by Arrowhead High School's library media specialists, Myragene Pettit, Ph.D., and Donna Smith. This is a comprehensive technology plan, which is a state requirement for compliance, and includes a summary of the results of the LoTI (Level of Technology Implementation) and enGauge technology surveys. Goals identified in the plan include the hiring of a .25 FTE technology director by fall 2003. All budgetary items will require approval by the Board of Education.

Dr. Lodes noted that next week the Management Team would be reviewing plans to redesign our web site to improve and standardize the format. He also reviewed the status of the grading, assignment, and attendance system currently under development. This is a parent communication tool utilizing technology that would provide parents on-line access to assignment information and their student's grades and attendance. Parents would also have the option to receive daily announcements and cancellation notifications via e-mail. The JAD (Joint Application Development) Committee plans to initiate a pilot program this fall. The Board of Education requested a presentation of the prototype system upon completion.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by Zietlow to approve the Combined Information and Technology Plan 2003-2006 as presented. Following further discussion, Al Zietlow called for the question. Motion Carried.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by LeBlanc to accept, with regret, the resignations of Michael Breaker and Stephanie Dorn, effective June 13, 2003. Motion Carried.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by Zietlow to approve contracts as follows: Teaching – Daniela Andrews (Alternative Education), Michael Gnewuch (Social Studies), Shanna Hechimovich (Social Studies); Summer School – Paul Zelinger (Robotics I and II), Pat Tremaine (Jump Start), Kathy Nelson (English), Jean Henschel (NovaNet Special Education), and Carol Kuehl (Special Education). Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Greidanus that pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(c), the Board will move into closed session and reconvene to address public business matters.

Roll Call Vote: Zietlow – aye, Howell – aye, Ristow – aye, Goodnow – aye, LeBlanc – aye, Rosch – aye, Gutschenritter – aye, Greidanus – aye. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Gutschenritter to move into open session.

Roll Call Vote: Goodnow – aye, Greidanus – aye, Gutschenritter – aye, Howell – aye, LeBlanc – aye, Ristow – aye, Rosch – aye, Zietlow – aye. Motion Carried.

Moved by LeBlanc, seconded by Zietlow to adjourn. Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Hoag
Recording Secretary

Susan M. Schultz, Clerk