

ARROWHEAD UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MARCH 10, 2004
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, John Greidanus, Jack Gutschenritter, Randy Howell, Joe LeBlanc, Judie Ristow, Bob Rosch, Sue Schultz, Al Zietlow (arrived at 7:17 p.m.)

Administration present: Dave Lodes, Steve Kopecky, Bonnie Laugerman, Gregg Wiczorek
Also present: Kristi Haunfelder, Lake Country Reporter

The meeting was properly posted.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by Howell to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2004, Regular Board meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by LeBlanc to approve the operating bill list and pay vouchers 097265-097667 in the amount of \$1,190,394.96. Motion Carried.

Mr. Zietlow arrived at this time.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS – None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Lodes reported that the fourth 6-week session of school concluded March 5, 2004; there are 12 weeks of school remaining.

Dr. Lodes also announced that two of our teachers, Greg Bisbee, biology teacher, and Kathy Nelson, English teacher, have both received the Kohl Fellowship Award. Mr. Bisbee and Ms. Nelson became candidates for the award, as they were both recipients of the Arrowhead High School Teacher of the Year award in 2003. The Kohl Fellowship Award is a prestigious honor and reflects the quality of our teachers at Arrowhead High School. Congratulations to both of them on their accomplishment.

There are 135 students currently participating in the review session for the ACT exam, which is scheduled to be given at Arrowhead High School on June 12, 2004. The Honors Breakfast is scheduled for March 20, 2004; the guest speaker is Michele Olshanski (Price), who is an investment representative with Edward Jones.

Dr. Lodes stated that estimated staffing needs for next year include an increase of less than 2 FTE teaching positions; however, staff will continue to work overload schedules to maintain our current student/teacher ratio and to accommodate the increase in enrollment.

CURRICULUM – Chairperson Goodnow reviewed the minutes of the March 4, 2004, meeting.

Dr. Lodes presented the Standardized Testing Proposal. This proposal is a District-wide initiative in which the EXPLORE, PLAN, and PSAT exams would be administered to students on Wednesday, October 13, 2004, during the school day. The EXPLORE exam would be administered to 9th grade students for placement in Honors courses; the PLAN exam would be administered to 10th grade students for placement in AP courses. These exams are also predictors of ACT success. The PSAT would be administered to 10th or 11th grade students and is a predictor of AP and SAT success, and is also used in the selection process of Presidential and National Merit Scholars. These exams also benefit students and parents by providing information on how the student compares globally and serves as a planning tool based on aptitude and career or vocational interests. A suggested fee of \$10 per test would be paid at registration. The Curriculum Committee is recommending approval of the proposal.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to approve the Standardized Testing Proposal as presented with review of the plan in one year. Motion Carried.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by LeBlanc to approve the Cognitive Disabilities/Café Arrowhead field trip request to Orlando, Florida, as presented. Motion Carried.

Moved by Greidanus, seconded by Howell to approve the Florida Band Trip as presented. Aye – 8; (Sue Schultz recused herself and did not vote on the motion.) Motion Carried.

FINANCE & LEGISLATION – Chairperson LeBlanc reviewed the minutes of the February 18, 2004, meeting.

The Board of Education reviewed the 2004/2005 Facility Use Fee Schedule. Mr. Greidanus asked whether consideration was given to a pool surcharge fee in anticipation of upgrades to the existing swimming pool. Dr. Lodes noted that the community swim groups have been given until January 1, 2005, to move forward with their fundraising plans to build a new, freestanding aquatic facility consisting of 8 lanes, 50 meters in length, designed for competition use, or alternatively, to contribute one-third of the cost to deepen the existing pool to meet the current depth requirement for use of starting blocks in competition. If the community swim groups have taken no action by January 1, 2005, the Buildings and Grounds Committee will revisit the issue of deepening the existing pool with possible consideration of increasing the length of the lanes. It was the consensus of the Buildings and Grounds Committee that funding sources for the pool reconstruction project be considered when a commitment is made to move forward with the project.

Moved by LeBlanc, seconded by Zietlow to approve the 2004/2005 Facility Use Fee Schedule as presented. Aye – 8 and No – 1 (Greidanus). Motion Carried.

Moved by LeBlanc, seconded by Rosch to approve the 2004/2005 Student Fee Schedule as presented. Motion Carried.

The Board of Education reviewed the Actual Statement of Expenses and Revenues for the musical, *Grease*, dated February 4, 2004. It was noted that the musical performed three years ago netted a loss, but the musicals performed the past two years have netted a profit. The revenue generated from these productions will be reinvested into programs and equipment. Dr. Lodes also indicated that new criteria for ticket sales will be established to give the community more opportunities to attend these quality performances.

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for March 31, 2004, at which time they will review the 2004/2005 Preliminary Budget.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Chairperson Zietlow reviewed the minutes of the March 3, 2004, meeting. The committee identified four key areas to address within the 2004/2005 Supplemental Budget and Building Improvement Requests: 1) Complete the sound system upgrade in the North Campus Gym, which is an uncompleted budget item from 2003/2004. 2) Replace boilers and domestic hot water at North Campus due to their age, unavailability of parts, and to improve efficiency. 3) Install a new 100 kw. generator at North Campus to replace the generator installed in 1969, as replacement parts for this unit are no longer available. Relocate the existing 60 kw. generator from North Campus to South Campus to provide battery backup for the phone system, computers, and the PA system, which is a safety factor. Sell the existing 30 kw. generator located at South Campus. 4) Continue efforts to address the replacement of gas and water lines in the tunnels at South Campus. Expenditures for these projects will be finalized subsequent to the Finance Committee review of the 2004/2005 Preliminary Budget at their March 31, 2004, meeting.

At their next meeting, the Buildings and Grounds Committee will review long-range initiatives regarding possible future uses of the Vilter property.

PERSONNEL – Closed session report.

POLICY – Chairperson Ristow reviewed the minutes of the February 19, 2004, meeting.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to approve Policy 121. Policy Development as presented. Motion Carried.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by LeBlanc to approve new Policy 716.1 Staff Conflicts of Interest as presented. After further discussion, Al Zietlow called for the question. Motion Carried.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by Rosch to approve Policy 714. Dress Code for Professional Staff and Policy 811. Separate Funds as presented. After further discussion, Al Zietlow called for the question. Motion Carried.

WASB – The Board of Education reviewed the WASB Legislative Services Department Update, dated February 5, 2004, and the WASB Final Report to the WASB Membership on 2004 Resolutions, prepared by the WASB Policy & Resolutions Committee, dated January 21, 2004.

Mrs. Ristow reported that a Wisconsin State Statute recently signed into law states that if a city seeks to create a tax incremental district that is located in a union high school district, the school district representative to the board shall be held by two representatives, one chosen by the union high school district and one chosen by the elementary school district, each having one-half of a vote.

CESA – No report.

ADSEC – Mr. Howell reported on the February 25, 2004, ADSEC Budget/Personnel Committee meeting. He noted that a new costing formula has been developed to eliminate the current subsidy from Arrowhead High School so that member districts pay a fair and equitable portion of the cost of providing special education. Member districts have agreed to eliminate this subsidy over a seven-year period and to revise the 66.0301 Agreement accordingly.

At this time Mr. LeBlanc left the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to approve the contracts for Ron Reichle (Asst. Boys Track Coach), James Ziech (Asst. Boys Track Coach), Barbara Weiss (Asst. Girls Track Coach), Kurt Kenas (Asst. Girls Soccer Coach), and Leila Shill (Asst. Girls Soccer Coach). Motion Carried.

Mr. LeBlanc returned to the meeting.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Greidanus to approve the 2004/2005 Open Enrollment Attendance Requests provided students have no expulsions on record and there is no additional cost to the Arrowhead School District for those students who will be receiving special education. Following further discussion, Al Zietlow called for the question. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Howell to change the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education scheduled for April 14, 2004, to April 7, 2004. Following further discussion, the motion was revised by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to change the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education scheduled for April 14, 2004, to April 20, 2004, and to change the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education scheduled for May 12, 2004, to May 18, 2004. Revised Motion Carried.

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

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

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

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

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Hoag
Recording Secretary

Susan M. Schultz, Clerk