

ARROWHEAD UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
MARCH 9, 2005  
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Goodnow at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office 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

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

The meeting was properly posted.

Moved by Schultz, seconded by Greidanus to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2005, Regular Board meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by LeBlanc to approve the operating bill list and pay vouchers 102083, 102189-102466, and 102468-102584 in the amount of \$905,337.80. Aye – 8 and Abstain – 1 (Rosch). Motion Carried.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS – Mrs. Schultz noted that the annual Hot Chili Cool Jazz festival is scheduled for March 15, 2005, from 5:00-9:00 p.m., in the North Campus Commons and encouraged everyone to attend.

Linda Hallquist, Hartland resident, addressed the Board of Education regarding several books currently being used in the curriculum, which have been the subject of much recent discussion. She stated that it is the responsibility of the Board of Education to ensure that a public school environment is maintained that does not impose one set of values on others. She also stated that the Board has to make decisions based on data, and noted that only four parents opted not to have their child read the book, “The Perks of Being a Wallflower.” She further noted that parents who have objections to the books used in the curriculum have other alternatives, such as private schools or homeschooling.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Dr. Lodes reported that the Richmond School PTO is hosting a School Board Candidate Forum on March 22, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. at Richmond School. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

The fourth 6-week session of school concluded on March 4, 2005; there are 12 weeks of school remaining. To date, 510 parents have registered for login access to ParentCONNECT, an online communication tool. Parents will also have the opportunity to register during parent conferences scheduled for March 17-18, 2005, and at registration in August.

Dr. Lodes stated that estimated staffing needs for next year include a reduction of approximately 1.25 FTE teaching positions, while we continue to meet or improve student/teacher ratios. We also continue to plan for future projected decreases in enrollment, with the anticipated lowest point occurring in 2007/2008.

The Honors Breakfast is scheduled for March 12, 2005, and all Board members are invited to attend. It is anticipated that nearly 800 people will be in attendance. Our guest speaker is Kara Kaiser (Krause), alumnus of Arrowhead High School and marketing manager with M&I Bank.

The Lake Country Community Fest is scheduled for March 19, 2005, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at North Campus. The event is being organized by the Hartland Area and Delafield Chambers of Commerce. There will be over 124 booth exhibits featuring local businesses, clubs, and organizations, guest speakers, entertainment for all ages, including the Arrowhead Jazz Band and Broadway Bound, children’s activities, sports clinics, health clinics and screenings, workshops, and a food court. Everyone in the community is invited to attend this free event. Dr. Lodes stated that the Community Fest is a great opportunity to showcase the quality programs and facilities at Arrowhead High School, and he hopes that it will have a positive impact on open enrollment next year.

Dr. Lodes also announced that two of our teachers, Deb Viegut, math teacher, and Rose Rochette, German teacher, have both received the 2005 Kohl Teacher Fellowship award. Ms. Viegut and Frau Rochette became candidates for the award, as they were both recipients of the Arrowhead High School Teacher of the Year award in 2004. The Kohl Fellowship award is a very prestigious honor and reflects the quality of our teachers at Arrowhead High School. Dr. Laugerman also announced that John Menzel, Arrowhead High School senior, was awarded the 2005 Kohl Student Initiative Scholarship. Congratulations to these individuals on their accomplishments!

CURRICULUM – The next Curriculum Committee meeting is scheduled for March 24, 2005.

FINANCE & LEGISLATION – Chairperson LeBlanc reviewed the minutes of the February 16, 2005, meeting.

The Board of Education reviewed the 2005/2006 Facility Use Fee Schedule. Mr. LeBlanc noted that the proposed football stadium rental fee of \$300-\$800/game would be dependent on the percentage of gate receipts retained by Arrowhead High School during the rental period. Arrowhead High School would control all concessions during times when the field is rented. He also noted that the Finance Committee recommends a \$10/hour pool renovation surcharge fee for resident clubs and a \$25/hour pool renovation surcharge fee for non-resident clubs, which would go into effect after the swimming pool is deepened to offset the cost of the pool renovation.

Moved by LeBlanc, seconded by Greidanus to approve the 2005/2006 Facility Use Fee Schedule as recommended by the Finance Committee. After further discussion, Al Zietlow called for the question. Motion Carried.

The Board of Education reviewed the 2005/2006 Student Fee Schedule. Mr. LeBlanc noted that the Finance Committee recommends that the Book Fee be increased \$1, to \$64, to offset the purchase of new books, that the Parking Fee be increased \$2/semester, to \$66/semester, and that the Athletic Fee (one time fee) be increased \$2, to \$72. The Finance Committee is also recommending other minor fee increases to cover the cost of consumable items used by students.

Moved by LeBlanc, seconded by Rosch to approve the 2005/2006 Student Fee Schedule as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Moved by Ristow to amend the motion to approve the 2005/2006 Student Fee Schedule as recommended by the Finance Committee with the exception that the Book Fee remain the same as it was in 2004/2005, which was \$63. The amended motion failed for lack of a second.

The Board of Education then voted on the original motion to approve the 2005/2006 Student Fee Schedule as recommended by the Finance Committee. Aye – 8 and No – 1 (Gutschenritter). Motion Carried.

Mr. LeBlanc noted that the Finance Committee also recommends that the property insurance deductible be increased from \$1,000 to \$5,000 per occurrence, effective July 1, 2005. This would create an annual savings in premiums of approximately \$11,000. With a deductible of \$5,000 per occurrence, the District would have incurred \$33,900 in additional unpaid claims between 1999 and 2003; however, this would have been offset by a savings in premiums that would have resulted in a net savings to the District of approximately \$10,100.

Mr. Kopecky updated the Board of Education regarding the 2005/2006 budget development process, which will coincide with the state's 2005-07 biennium budget development process. The final 2005/2006 revenue limit calculation formula and state equalization aid formula have yet to be determined. Therefore, the 2005/2006 Preliminary Budget, which will be presented to the Finance Committee for review at their meeting scheduled for April 6, 2005, will be based on the best projections available to the District at that time.

Due to a conflict with the Finance Committee meeting scheduled for April 6, 2005, the next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting was rescheduled for March 23, 2005.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Chairperson Zietlow reviewed the minutes of the March 2, 2005, meeting. He noted that bids for the District Office renovation project are due on March 21, 2005. The Buildings and Grounds Committee will then review the bids at their March 23, 2005, meeting. A Special Board of Education meeting will be scheduled to select the contractor for the project.

Mr. Zietlow reported that the committee also discussed the status of deepening the existing swimming pool, resurfacing the track in 2005/2006, and the emergency generator project. They also discussed the Buildings and Grounds long-term projects and the role of the Endowment Fund in making these projects become a reality.

PERSONNEL – Closed session report.

POLICY – Chairperson Ristow reviewed the minutes of the February 23, 2005, meeting.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by Rosch to approve Policy 332. Selection of Materials\*\* as revised. Motion Carried.

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2005.

WASB – Mrs. Ristow reminded everyone to vote in the Spring Election on Tuesday, April 5, 2005.

CESA – No report. Minutes from the January 18, 2005, CESA #1 Board of Control meeting have been distributed to the Board of Education for their information.

ADSEC – Dr. Lodes reported on the February 24, 2005, Budget/Personnel Committee meeting. The committee reviewed the 2005/2006 Preliminary Budget, which projects an increase of 3.17% in expenditures and a loss in revenue based on state categorical aid projections and loss of some tuition revenue. The net increase is projected to be 7.57%. The 2005/2006 Preliminary Budget will be presented to the ADSEC Coordinating Council at their meeting scheduled for March 22, 2005. The Board of Education stated that they are proud of the quality of the special education program and staff of ADSEC.

ENDOWMENT FUND – Dr. Lodes updated the Board of Education regarding recent activities of the Endowment Fund.

NEW BUSINESS:

Moved by Ristow, seconded by Rosch to change the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education scheduled for April 13, 2005, to April 25, 2005. Motion Carried. At this meeting, new School Board members will take the Oath of Office and an election of Board officers will be held. Committee appointments will subsequently be made by the newly elected Board President.

Moved by Schultz, seconded by Zietlow to approve contracts for Allison Schnelle (Asst. Boys Track Coach – 2/3 contract) and Kurt Kenas (Asst. Girls Track Coach). Motion Carried.

Mr. Kopecky reviewed the 2005/2006 Open Enrollment Summary report dated March 9, 2005. We are projecting 41 new open enrollment students (out of 60 applications received), with 55 returning open enrollment students, for a total of 96 students. We are also projecting that a total of 18 resident students will attend other districts, for a net of 78 open enrollment students. Using a projected transfer amount of \$5,725/student, the net open enrollment revenue would be \$446,550. In 2004/2005, we had a net of 65 open enrollment students, for a net open enrollment revenue of \$361,270.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by Rosch to approve the 2005/2006 Open Enrollment Attendance Requests provided students have no expulsions on record, space is available, and there is no undue financial burden on the Arrowhead Union High School District for those students who will be receiving special education. After further discussion, Al Zietlow called for the question. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to approve the revised ADTC (Arrowhead District Transportation Cooperative) 66.0301 Agreement as presented, for an automatic and continuing term of five years, beginning July 1, 2005. After further discussion, Judie Ristow called for the question. Motion Carried.

Moved by Ristow, seconded by Gutschenritter to return to agenda item VII. Citizen Communications and Comments. Motion Carried.

On behalf of the Board of Education, Dr. Lodes presented President Jack Goodnow with a gift in appreciation and thanks for his six years of dedicated service to the Arrowhead School District.

Moved by Schultz, seconded by Greidanus 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 Ristow, 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 Howell to adjourn. Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Hoag  
Recording Secretary

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Susan M. Schultz, Clerk