

ARROWHEAD UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
FEBRUARY 13, 2013  
MINUTES

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

Everyone rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Joe LeBlanc, Bob Rosch, Sue Schultz, Craig Thompson, Mike Kusch, Tim Langer (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), Kent Rice, Donna Vrakas, Al Zietlow

Administration present: Craig Jefson, Steve Kopecky, Bonnie Laugerman, Mary Ann Beckman

Staff present: John Hough, Ann Krueger, Pete Kishline, Jean Henschel, Mark Johnson, Eileen Dlobik

Student present: Kaila Greenhagen

Others present: Anthony Pizzo, Second Chance Partners for Education

The meeting was properly posted.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Kusch to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2013, Regular Board meeting as presented.

Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to approve the operating bill list and pay vouchers 136965-137003, 137005-137429, 201200261-201200298, and 201200314 in the amount of \$1,806,345.54. Motion Carried.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENTS – None.

Mr. Langer arrived at this time.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT –

Mr. Anthony Pizzo, program administrator with the Second Chance Partners for Education, shared information regarding the alternative education model, which offers students the opportunity to complete their high school education while gaining real work experience. The 21-month program combines classroom learning with the application of knowledge in a workplace setting. One of their students, Kaila Greenhagen, who is a junior at Arrowhead High School, shared her positive experiences in the program and the reasons she chose this alternative education option.

Experiential Learning Presentations –

Mr. John Hough, special education teacher, shared information regarding Café Arrowhead and Arrowhead Manufacturing, which are student-run businesses designed to provide the vocational training needed to compete in a post-secondary setting. He also distributed information regarding the accomplishments of Arrowhead Special Olympics, for which he serves as head coach. Mr. Hough also noted that the Lobster Boil, their annual fundraiser, is scheduled for April 19, 2013.

Ms. Ann Krueger, special education teacher, and Mr. Pete Kishline, special education instructional assistant, shared information regarding the “U,” which is a “Student Union” operating in the South Campus cafeteria before and after school, as well as for selected students during study halls. It is a place for students to collaborate on homework, enjoy a snack, and participate in structured games. Students working in the “U” learn how to service customers, develop retail, marketing, and sales skills, and communicate socially with peers.

Ms. Jean Henschel, special education teacher, shared information regarding Wally Grounds Café, which is an experiential learning opportunity for students with disabilities and students identified as being at risk. Students gain core academic and employability skills. They collaborate with other groups, such as Café Arrowhead, the Arrowhead Farm, general education classes, and student senate. Wally Grounds Café serves students and staff in an environment where they can casually mingle, enjoy a treat, and students can receive homework assistance.

Mr. Mark Johnson, special education teacher, shared information regarding the Arrowhead Farm, which is a real-life community-based setting for students with disabilities and students identified as being at risk. Key core academic and employability skills necessary for success in the 21<sup>st</sup> century are the foundation. The activities on the farm are implemented through collaboration with students in science, alternative education, and basic food and nutrition classes. Mr. Johnson noted that this year the farm made of profit of \$317, of which they donated \$140 to the veterans showcase.

Ms. Eileen Dlobik, special education instructional assistant, shared information regarding the Transition to Careers program, which includes afternoon coursework that assists students with gaining basic employability skills in conjunction with community-based activities. The courses include employability skills, applied academics, and career exploration.

Mr. Jefson reported that the Job Olympics will be held here tomorrow; performances of the school play, *Alice in Wonderland*, are scheduled for February 14, 15, and 16, 2013; the Music Theatre Night performance is scheduled for March 14, 2013; and the Arrowhead Scholarship Fund Dinner Auction is scheduled for March 22, 2013, at the Red Circle Inn in Nashotah.

Mr. Rosch noted that the first Arrowhead Athletic Hall of Fame banquet is scheduled for May 4, 2013, at The Legend at Bristlecone in Hartland, and all Board members are invited to attend.

Mr. Jefson noted that superintendents and board members are invited to meet with Rep. Don Pridemore, who is a candidate for state superintendent, on February 27, 2013, at 9:00 a.m., at Merton Primary School.

Mr. Jefson also noted that the 7<sup>th</sup> grade Destination Imagination (DI) team at Swallow School is hosting a screening of the movie, *Honor Flight*, on March 19, 2013, at 6:00 p.m., in the North Campus theater. This is part of their community service project, which also involved videotaping interviews with 15 WWII veterans and 3 Holocaust survivors in an effort to preserve their stories. The DI team is also producing a DVD of these interviews to give to area schools and libraries for use as a resource. Some of their interview subjects appear in the movie. The students are raising money (via the showing) to purchase a brick for each of their interview subjects at the WWII Pillar Memorial in Port Washington, which is also supported by the Stars and Stripes Honor Flight organization. The DI team hopes to have several of the veterans who star in the movie on hand to greet attendees afterward. Everyone interested is invited to attend.

Mr. Jefson shared information regarding the 2013 Wisconsin School Public Relations Association (WSPRA) spring workshop, Energize the Power of Community Engagement for Your School District, which is scheduled for March 8, 2013, at the Whitewater University Innovation Center. Any Board member interested in attending should notify Mr. Jefson.

Mr. Jefson also shared a letter he received today from Mike Thompson, Deputy State Superintendent, Wisconsin Dept. of Public Instruction, regarding the statewide student information system (SSIS) and the decision by the Dept. of Administration (DOA) to award the SSIS project to Infinite Campus. Skyward, which is our current vendor and also the SSIS vendor for 60% of the schools statewide, has filed a notice of intent to appeal the decision. The fiscal impact to the district, as it pertains to the purchase of software and staff training related to switching to Infinite Campus, is unknown at this time.

President LeBlanc presented certificates of recognition to Mr. Bob Rosch and Mr. Kent Rice, who have reached Level 1 of the WASB Member Recognition Program. They were congratulated for their accomplishment.

**CURRICULUM** – The next Curriculum Committee meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2013, at 7:00 a.m.

**FINANCE & LEGISLATION** – Mr. Kopecky updated the Board of Education regarding the status of the 2013/2014 budget development while awaiting Governor Walker's release of the State of Wisconsin's 2013-15 biennial budget.

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for February 20, 2013, at 7:00 a.m.

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS** – Chairperson Zietlow reported on the February 6, 2013, meeting. The committee reviewed the proposed facilities planning timeline and strategy presented by Eppstein Uhen Architects (EUA). They were also updated on the proposed architectural contract extension with EUA. The role of the Arrowhead Center for the Arts (ACA) was also discussed.

Moved by Rosch, seconded by Zietlow, to extend the architect contract with Eppstein Uhen Architects, effective February 1, 2013, as recommended by the Buildings and Grounds Committee. Motion Carried.

The next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is scheduled for March 6, 2013, at 7:00 a.m.

PERSONNEL – Administration has met with the teachers and support staff sub-committees of the Quality Assurance Team (QAT) in regard to the 2013/2014 compensation/benefit proposals. The proposals will be presented to the Personnel Committee at their next meeting, which will be scheduled in March 2013.

POLICY – Chairperson Kusch reported on the February 6, 2013, meeting.

Moved by Rosch, seconded by Schultz to approve revised Policy/Procedure 351. Graduation Requirements\*\*, as recommended by the Policy Committee. Motion Carried.

Moved by Langer, seconded by Rice to adopt Arrowhead Union High School Local Educational Agency Policies and Procedures, created by Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, as Policy 361, as recommended by the Policy Committee. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to delete Policy 364. Special Education Cooperative Policy and Procedures. Motion Carried.

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2013, at 7:00 a.m.

WASB – Mr. Zietlow, Ms. Vrakas, and Mr. Thompson reported on the State Education Convention, which they attended on January 23, 2013.

Mr. Zietlow noted that the WASB Legal and Human Resources Conference is scheduled for February 15 and March 7, 2013, in Stevens Point.

Mr. Zietlow also reported on the WASB Delegate Assembly he attended on January 23, 2013, as the Arrowhead School District's delegate.

CESA – Mr. Zietlow distributed the CESA #1 Acronym Listing (December 2012) to the Board of Education for their reference. He also reported that CESA #1 is currently accepting applications for the position of executive director.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Moved by Rosch, seconded by Kusch to approve the contract for Stephanie Rohr (Social Studies – 1-semester replacement position). Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to accept the resignation/retirement of Kenneth Hady, Dan Rosa, and Cheryl Kaiser, effective at the conclusion of the 2012/2013 school year, as presented. Motion Carried.

Moved by Kusch, seconded by Zietlow to approve the Pool Wage Schedule, effective June 1, 2013, through May 31, 2015, as presented. Motion Carried.

Moved by Zietlow, seconded by Rosch to approve the Healthy Vending Machine Agreement with Optisnack, Inc., as presented. Motion Carried.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None presented.

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Hoag  
Recording Secretary

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Susan M. Schultz, Clerk