

# West Franklin USD 287

Board of Education Meeting  
Education Center  
510 E. Franklin  
Pomona, Ks 66076  
Monday, March 9, 2009  
7:00 pm

## Call to Order

The regular meeting of West Franklin USD 287 Board of Education was called to order by President Nancy Reed with the following members present:

Dave McClain  
Keith Milliken

Chuck Campfield  
Lisa Reece

**Others present:** Superintendent Dotson Bradbury, Board Clerk Teresa Hawkins, Principals Rick Smith, Cathy Brandt, Robert Allen, Susan Wildeman, Curriculum Director Andy Azwell, Juanita Sleichter, Lou Coppoc, David Staley, Gene Hirt, Sherry Harris, Virginia Cook, Thayne Bush, Merritta Combs, Angelle Higbie, Kim Dixon, Stacy Hower, Dee Short, and David Bowman

## Amend and Approve

### Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Keith Milliken to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the February 9, 2009 Meeting
- Financial Reports/Pay Bills

Carried: 5-0

## Public Forum

Lou Coppoc asked about the recent weight lifting contest and presented a concern about finances, student retention, course electives and activities.

Gene Hirt comment on the recent legislative coffee he attended. He also voiced concerns about the SRO.

Dee Short presented concerns about activity participation, athletic cuts and a 4 day school week.

Angelle Higbie voiced concerns about the possibility of cutting some of the FFA trips. She also presented the School Board with a revised District FFA Calendar of Events.

**Administrative  
Reports**

Mrs. Cathy Brandt had nothing to add to her report in her board management letter

Mr. Rick Smith had nothing to add to his report in the board management letter.

Mrs. Susan Wildeman had nothing to add to her report in her board management letter

Mr. Robert Allen congratulated Evan Hamilton for earning District Runner-up in Forage Production at a recent FFA contest.

Mr. Andy Azwell had nothing to add to his report in the board management letter.

Superintendent Dotson Bradbury had nothing to add to his report in the board management letter.

**WFTA Request,**  
**09-10 Calendar,**  
**Donation of Leave,**  
**Surplus Property,**  
**Driver's Ed,**  
**Williamsburg Rec.,**  
**Local Effectiveness**  
**Grant, Athletic Team**  
**Selections, Cost Containment,**  
**WFHS Course Offerings,**  
**Energy Agreement,**  
**Capital Outlay Mill Levy**

**WFTA Calendar Adjustment Request:**

A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Nancy Reed to honor the request and modify the current school calendar to allow the school to be closed on April 10, 2009, Good Friday.

Carried: 5-0

**2009-10 School Calendar:**

A motion was made by Nancy Reed and seconded by Keith Milliken to approve the proposed AA school calendar for the 2009-10 school year.

Carried: 5-0

**Donation of Leave Days:**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Dave McClain to approve the following leave donation requests:

- Michelle Graf – 1 day to Debbie Aubert
- Debbie Swisher – 1 day to Debbie Aubert
- Brandon Parks – 2 days to Debbie Aubert

Carried: 5-0

**Surplus Property:**

A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Lisa Reece to declare the food service work table, metal lockers, and misc items as surplus property and to be disposed of by administration.

Carries: 5-0

**Summer Driver's Education:**

Discussion was held on the number of possible students for summer driver's education and how many students per teacher. The possibility of accepting out-of-district students was also discussed. A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Keith Milliken to put out-of-district students on a contingency list and call if there are openings, set the fee for out-of-district students at \$225 and leave the fee for USD 287 students at \$175.

Carried: 5-0

**Williamsburg Recreation:**

A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Nancy Reed to approve the following appointments and resignations:

- Shawn Walters – appointment
- Jennifer Bartley – appointment
- Sabrina Hermreck – resignation
- Dawn Cameron – term expired

Carried: 5-0

Mr. Rick Smith asked that Kim Dixon be allowed to give her report on her Local Effectiveness Grant.

**Local Effectiveness Grant**

Kim Dixon thanked the School Board for allowing the grant. She also gave them a handout showing all the items purchased. A few of the items were digital cameras, camcorder, keypad calculators, and web camera. She also explained how her students use the equipment in their daily learning activities.

**WFHS Athletic Team Selection Guidelines:**

Mr. Smith explained the proposed selection guidelines that was created by all high school coaches and himself. Much discussion was held on this topic. The School Board asked that a survey be put in the district newsletter to get public input before a decision is made.

**Technology Plan:**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Keith Milliken to approve the proposed technology plan.

Carried: 5-0

**Break**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Nancy Reed at 8:16 pm to take a 5 minute break

Carried: 5-0

The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 8:21 pm

**Cost Containment Recommendations for 09-10:**

Discussion was held on the expected loss of budget authority for 09-10 in the amount of \$380,529 (if enrollment stays the same as 08-09), the possibility of a 5% reduction (832,239) and a proposed list of cuts the district will have to endure to cover the loss in budget authority. Discussion was also held on the possibility of a Capital Outlay Mill Levy and how this would help relieve the drain on other funds. A list of all surrounding districts and their mill levy amounts was also given to the board. The School Board directed Mr. Bradbury to prepare a resolution for a Capital Outlay Mill Levy and put it on the April agenda as an action item.

**WFHS Course Offerings for 09-10:**

Mr. Smith explained the course offerings and the proposed changes for next year. A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Keith Milliken to approve the course offerings as presented.

Carried: 5-0

**Greenbush Energy Agreement:**

A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Dave McClain to approve the energy agreement for the 09-10 school year.

Carried: 5-0

A copy of the agreement is made a part of these minutes

**Executive Session** A motion was made by Lisa Reece and seconded by Nancy Reed at 9:20 pm to enter executive session for 30 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed and for the purpose of discussing negotiations to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract..

Carried: 5-0

The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 9:50 pm

A motion was made by Nancy Reed and seconded by Lisa Reece at 9:50 pm to reenter executive session for 5 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed and for the purpose of discussing negotiations to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract..

Carried: 5-0

The Board of Education returned to open meeting at 9:55 pm

**Employment Recommendations**

A motion was made by Nancy Reed and seconded by Lisa Reece to accept the following employment recommendations:

**Employment**

- Charles Michael – Williamsburg Elementary - Custodian

**Resignation**

- Trinity Merritt – WF High School - Custodian

Carried: 5-0

**Adjournment** A motion was made by Chuck Campfield and seconded by Nancy Reed to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 pm.

Carried: 5-0

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Teresa Hawkins, Clerk

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Nancy Reed, President