



South Washington County Schools

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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

TO: Members of the School Board
Keith Jacobus, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Dayna Bentdahl, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

DATE: February 7, 2018

TOPIC/PURPOSE OF REPORT: Approval of the January 18, 2018 School Board Minutes

REFERENCE TO POLICY/STRATEGIC PLAN: Policy 204, School Board Meeting Minutes

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION: Approval

DATE FOR BOARD ACTION: February 15, 2018

REPORT

District 833
School Board Regular Meeting
Unofficial Clerk's Summary

January 18, 2018

- 1.0 Call to Order; Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a meeting of the School Board of Independent School District 833, South Washington County, was held on Thursday, January 18, 2018. The meeting was called to order by Chair Tracy Brunnette, at 6:30pm at the District Service Center, located at 7362 East Point Douglas Road South, Cottage Grove, Minnesota. School Board Members present were: Tracy Brunnette, Pat Driscoll, Heather Hirsch, Ron Kath, Katie Schwartz, Sharon Van Leer and Michelle Witte. Superintendent Keith Jacobus was present. Student representatives present were Nidhi Jariwala (WHS), Lindsey Strom (PHS) and Julia Travis (ERHS).
- 2.0 Pledge of Allegiance
- 3.0 Approval of Agenda: It was moved by Sharon Van Leer and seconded by Katie Schwartz to approve the agenda. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.
- 4.0 District Highlights:
 - 4.1 Perfect ACT scores, presented by Superintendent Keith Jacobus
 - 4.2 District Culture and Climate Ambassadors, presented by Kevin Witherspoon, Director of Human Resources
- 5.0 Public Comment: None.
- 6.0 Consent Items: It was moved by Pat Driscoll and seconded by Ron Kath to approve the consent agenda. All in favor, none opposed, motion passed.
 - 6.1 Approval of Retirements, Resignations and Terminations
 - 6.2 Approval of Leaves of Absence
 - 6.3 Approval of New Employees/Change of Status
 - 6.4 Approval of Extended Field Trips
 - 6.5 Approval of Electronic Fund Transfers
 - 6.6 Approval of Resolution to Accept Gifts
 - 6.7 Approval of December 21, 2017 School Board Meeting Minutes

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- 6.8 Approval of January 4, 2018 School Board Meeting Minutes
- 6.9 Approval of OMS Bid Pack #4 award
- 6.10 Approval of student teaching agreement with Winona State University

7.0 Workshop Items: Agenda item scheduled for the February 1, 2018 meeting

8.0 Information Items:

8.1 Strategic Plan Update presented by Keith Jacobus, Superintendent and Cabinet Members. Each of the objectives and priority statements were reviewed. They shared the goals and work being done in year two of the Plan.

8.2 Financial Update presented by Dan Pyan, Director of Finance. He reviewed where the district was one year ago, where we are now and where we are headed now that the referendum passed.

9.0 Discussion Items: None.

10.0 Action Items:

10.1 Approval of School Board Assignments, presented by Tracy Brunnette, School Board Chair. She reviewed the pending assignments. It was moved by Ron Kath and seconded by Sharon Van Leer to approve the school and committee assignments. All in favor, none opposed, motion passed.

11.0 Reports and Comments:

11.1 Superintendent's Report: Dr. Jacobus reported on the upcoming elections, nomination of Rich Romano for Teacher of the Year and the equity work being done.

11.2 Student School Board Member Reports

Nidhi Jariwala, WHS: reported on Royals Opportunity Night, which allowed incoming freshman to learn about academics, athletics and activities available to them. WHS hosted a speech tournament and blood drive and college planning event. They are participating in the SEC Music Festival at Stillwater High School and next week is the beginning of winter week with spirit days and their winter dance on Friday.

Lindsey Strom, PHS: reported they hosted a Wolfpack Welcome for incoming freshman so they could learn about academics, activities and athletics. Registration is open for classes for next year. Tomorrow they are participating in the One Act plays at ERHS, with competition starting next week. PHS is also participating in the SEC Music Festival at Stillwater High School. Dr. Keith Mays talked to students about how to avoid racism and be more accepting of others. She noted the week of February 5th starts off Snow Week with a semi-formal dance at school on February 9th.

Julia Travis, ERHS: reported after winter break they started Raptor Time for students, where they have 20-25 mins each day to work on homework or 1 day a week they can participate in different fun activities or meet with teachers to make up work or tests. They are also planning Winter Week the first week of February with a semi-formal dance at end of the week. Part of the festivities are to place stars around the school with each student's name. They also have Coffee House and are hosting the SWC One Act Festival. She also provided an update on sports.

12.0 Future Meeting Dates:

12.1 February 1, 2018 – School Board Meeting (DSC/6:30 p.m.)

12.2 February 15, 2018 – School Board Meeting (DSC/6:30 p.m.)

13.0 Adjournment: Sharon Van Leer motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Katie Schwartz. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.