WINDSOR COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Board Meeting – October 20, 2021 - Windsor Jr/Sr High School Library

1. Call to Order President Michelle Schultz called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

The following were present: Matt Greuel, Brett Barnard, Michelle Schultz, Karen Pfeiffer, Stacy Cole, Albert Shafer, and Nick Hendrickson. Administrators Erik Van Hoveln, Jennifer Bridges, and David Stork were also present.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Audit Report

Cory Brown from Mose, Yockey, Brown, & Kull gave the FY21 audit report stating that it was a clean audit.

1. Recognition of Visitors and Correspondence

Visitors were present. Bruce Austin shared concerns over holes in the roadway at the elementary school. Cindy Birdsall shared concerns over masking.

1. Reports, Updates, Informational Items
   1. Superintendent Report

Mr. Van Hoveln reported:

1. October is National Principal Appreciation Month. I want to say thank you to Jennifer Bridges and David Stork for the work they do as building administrators.
2. Our Natural Gas provider notified me of predicted natural gas shortages throughout the winter along with price hikes. They requested for us to manage our usage during times of high demand.
3. Friday October 22nd the PTO and Staff will host a Bon Fire at Windsor Elementary School starting at 5:00.
4. Current Expenditure Rate

Education – 29.56%

Operation & Maintenance – 30.58%

Transportation – 29.14%

IMRF/Social Security – 19.46%

Capital Projects – 50.02%

Tort – 4.33%

Health Life Safety – 0%

Total – 28.00%

* 1. Principal Report

Mrs. Bridges reported:

\*Thank you to Student Council and Mrs. Clotfelter for a fun Homecoming Week. Also, thank you to Mrs. Wise and the Art Students for painting the windows uptown and Mrs. Schulte and several students cleaning the windows.

\*Student Council hosted a blood drive for the Red Cross on October 4th. There were 18 donors and 16 usable units donated.

\*Promethean boards were installed in 11 Jr/Sr High classrooms on October 12-13. These panels negate the need for a screen and projector and offer much more interactive learning for students. Thank you to Mrs. Stremming for showing Jr/Sr High staff some helpful starter tips during our Leadership meeting on October 7th. The staff will have formal training in January.

\*Pixellot cameras were installed in both gyms on October 12. These cameras will stream games to the NFHS Network to be viewed by Windsor fans who cannot attend the games in person. The cameras, all associated equipment, and installation was free to the district. Those who wish to watch the streaming games, can purchase a monthly pass ($10.99/mo) or an annual pass ($69.99) through the NFHS Network. The district will get a revenue percentage based on subscriptions (just like the gate box). The district is guaranteed $1,000 for each of the first two years.

\*October 22nd marks the end of the first quarter.

\*Parent/Teachers conferences will be held October 27 & 28 from 4:00-6:30.

\*The Veteran’s Day Committee is hard at work coordinating efforts to host a Veteran’s Day Assembly on November 10.

Mr. Stork reported:

* Band - Growing weekly, up to 166 members and averaging 60-70 views per post. I’ve received lots of positive feedback from parents on the information we’ve been pushing out. Most teachers are now creating a weekly newsletter to share classroom happenings with parents.
* Faculty Morale - Rearranged the teacher’s lounge to create two distinct rooms. The main room is now the work room with all the teacher’s resources organized providing easier access. The back room is where the teacher’s lunch tables, microwave and refrigerator are. Hopefully this will give teacher’s a place where they can enjoy lunch and spend some time with their colleagues.
* Bonfire - The bonfire is planned for Oct. 22nd. Plans are going well. Families were asked to send in chips for sharing and did so ahead of time. Teachers were asked to make or bring sweets.
* Go Guardian: This much needed tool has provided the oversight we needed to ensure students are using technology responsibly. Teachers are now able to monitor students in real time. Teachers can close tabs, open special tabs, monitor student web browsing etc. during the school day in order to ensure our technology is being used properly.
* IXL and Map integration: The new IXL program we purchased has the ability to integrate MAP data into student portfolios and create individualized learning plans that focus on areas specifically identified in MAP as trouble areas. This tool will help us provide targeted practice for students. I created a tutorial video for teachers on how to integrate the data as it has to be done for each student individually.
* The Fire Department participated in a fire drill on Oct. 13th. - They commented that all went well. Other than a few doors left open, our procedures were in good shape.
* Promethean Boards - All boards are installed and functional. Teachers are very happy to have them to use. They began using them immediately.
* Student Council update from Mrs. Grgurich: Student council is focusing on promoting kindness and inclusion this year. The group is publishing a World Kindness Day book that has been written and illustrated by all of the students here at WES. The group is planning to create a school-wide painted rock pumpkin patch, with hopes that rocks with the hashtag #W.E.S rocks spread throughout the town. T-shirt designs are being voted on this Friday and order forms will be sent out soon after.
* Veterans Day Assembly Nov 10th Update from Mrs. Sentel: The Veterans Day assembly will be IN PERSON this year. It will be held at the HS on November 10th at 0900. Mrs. Handy, Mrs. Clotfelter, and Mrs. Sentel have been meeting to plan this event and make it extra special.
* We hosted 2 student teachers this fall and are hosting another in the spring. I, along with a few teachers, met with the EIU coordinator to discuss placement and requirements on October 13th.
* Miss Boone, Mrs. Sierra, and Mrs. Sentel are planning the Halloween parade/party information. The parade will follow the same route as always - the Harvest Picnic Parade route. It will be on the 29th.
* Teachers were extremely appreciative of attending the ROE conference with Gerry Brooks! He was funny, inspiring, and uplifting with great ideas to use within the classroom.

1. Consent Agenda – Approval of minutes, bills, and treasurers report; Review executive session minutes 3/17/21.

Greuel made a motion to approve and review seconded by Cole. Member’s votes were: Barnard – yes, Schultz – yes, Pfeiffer – yes, Cole – yes, Shafer – yes, Hendrickson – yes, and Greuel – yes. MOTION CARRIED 7 – yes, 0 – no.

1. New Business

* 1. Approve FY21 Audit Report

Cole made a motion to approve as presented by Cory Brown, seconded by Pfeiffer. Member’s votes were: Schultz – yes, Pfeiffer – yes, Cole – yes, Shafer – yes, Hendrickson – yes, Greuel – yes, and Barnard – yes. MOTION CARRIED 7 – yes, 0 – no.

* 1. Adopt Estimated Tax Levy

Shafer made a motion to adopt, seconded by Greuel. Member’s votes were: Pfeiffer – yes, Cole – yes, Shafer – yes, Hendrickson – yes, Greuel – yes, Barnard – yes, and Schultz – yes. MOTION CARRIED 7 – yes, 0 – no.

* 1. 2nd Reading of Updated Board Policy 4:17

Schultz made a motion to adopt, seconded by Shafer. Member’s votes were: Cole – yes, Shafer – yes, Hendrickson – yes, Greuel – yes, Barnard – yes, Schultz – yes, and Pfeiffer – yes. MOTION CARRIED 7 – yes, 0 – no.

* 1. Review Language Allowing all Employees Use of COVID-19 Paid Administrative Leave Days for Vaccination

Greuel made a motion to accept, seconded by Pfeiffer. Member’s votes were: Shafer – yes, Hendrickson – yes, Greuel – yes, Barnard – yes, Schultz – yes, Pfeiffer – yes, and Cole – yes. MOTION CARRIED 7 – yes, 0 – no.

* 1. 2022 Senior Trip Destination

Greuel made a motion to approve a 2-day trip to Indianapolis or St. Louis, seconded by Cole. Member’s votes were: Hendrickson – yes, Greuel – yes, Barnard – yes, Schultz – yes, Pfeiffer – yes, Cole – yes, and Shafer – yes. MOTION CARRIED 7 – yes, 0 – no.

1. Executive Session

Barnard made a motion to go into executive session at 7:19pm, seconded by Shafer. Member’s votes were: Greuel – yes, Barnard – yes, Schultz – yes, Pfeiffer – yes, Cole – yes, Shafer – yes, and Hendrickson – yes. MOTION CARRIED 7 – yes, 0 – no.

1. Return to Open Session – Possible Action from Executive Session

Schultz made a motion to return to open session at 8:09pm, seconded by Greuel. Member’s votes were: Barnard – yes, Schultz – yes, Pfeiffer – yes, Cole – yes, Shafer – yes, Hendrickson – yes, and Greuel – yes. MOTION CARRIED 7 – yes, 0 – no.

* 1. Hire: Hana Mast, Jackie Sierra, Leah Schulte – After School Tutors from 3:15-4:15

Schultz made a motion to hire, seconded by Barnard. Member’s votes were: Schultz – yes, Pfeiffer – yes, Cole – yes, Shafer – Schultz – yes, Pfeiffer – yes, Cole – yes, Shafer – yes, Hendrickson – yes, Greuel – yes, and Barnard – yes. MOTION CARRIED 7 – yes, 0 – no.

* 1. Hire: Mike Haddock – Interim Transportation Director retroactive to 9/28/21

Schultz made a motion to hire, seconded by Shafer. Member’s votes were: Cole – yes, Shafer – yes, Hendrickson – yes, Greuel – yes, Barnard – yes, Schultz – yes, and Pfeiffer – yes. MOTION CARRIED 7 – yes, 0 – no.

* 1. Hire: Lisa Doss, Sue Shumway, Pat Fahey, Kyle Thompson – Sub Bus Drivers contingent on passing requirements of the State of Illinois.

Schultz made a motion to hire, seconded by Hendrickson. Member’s votes were: Shafer – yes, Hendrickson – yes, Greuel – yes, Barnard – yes, Schultz – yes, Pfeiffer – yes, and Cole – yes. MOTION CARRIED 7 – yes, 0 – no.

1. Other Business None.
2. Adjournment A motion to adjourn was made by Schultz, seconded by Greuel at 8:11pm. MOTION CARRIED by voice vote – all yes.