

Board of Education Meeting Minutes

Webberville Community Schools

Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting

February 28, 2005

Minutes

This regular meeting of the Webberville Board of Education was called to order by Board President Simmons in the Webberville Secondary School library on Monday, February 28, 2005, at 7:02 p.m.

Present: Clifford H. Simmons II, Patricia Shanabrook, Teri Chamberlain, Kathleen Westbrook, Caron Guidroz, and Dorris Crandall.

Absent: Kristine Brenner, Greg Glover, Charles Harper

Also present: Dr. Bill Skilling, Brian Friddle, Suzi Slater, Jerome Learman, Barbara Weathers.

Amend Agenda:

Ms. Shanabrook moved, Ms. Chamberlain seconded a motion to add a presentation item to the agenda. Ms. Beth Parnell will give a presentation on the art program. The item was added as item (V) on the agenda. Motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Agenda:

Ms. Westbrook moved, Ms. Guidroz seconded a motion to approve the Agenda of the Regular Board of Education Meeting being held Monday, February 28 th, 2005, as amended. Motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Ms. Shanabrook moved, Ms. Chamberlain seconded a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed 6-0.

Presentations:

Ms. Beth Parnell, Secondary Art Teacher, gave a presentation titled “Visual Arts Update”. She covered all aspects of the art curriculum and goals for the future. Ms. Parnell also presented a travel opportunity to Spain that she would like to offer to high school students in April 2006. The cost of the trip would be \$2743.00 per student.

Discussion Items:

Ms. Janet Yachim gave a presentation regarding the amended 2004-2005 general fund budget. The athletic and food service budgets will be presented at the March board meeting for approval.

Reports:

Policy Committee – Ms. Westbrook stated that the policy committee will be meeting in 2 weeks to review the updates from NEOLA.

Finance Committee – Ms. Chamberlain stated that the finance committee has been meeting with Janet Yachim regarding the budget.

Building and Grounds – Ms. Chamberlain gave an update regarding the building projects. The AG barn and greenhouse has arrived and the FFA alumni will handle construction. The construction of the bleachers has begun. Scoreboard installation will begin soon. Elementary roof is started. The bid opening for the new community/athletic center will be March 3 rd.

Personnel Committee – Didn't meet

Legislation – Ms. Westbrook discussed classes offered by MASB. Issues from the Governors Office include: Merging of small school districts, MEAP transition to new test, financial status still up in the air, looking at increasing drop-out age to 18. President Bush would like to increase high school testing nationwide and increase Pell Grants. School elections – 90% of districts will hold elections in May. One in five districts didn't make AYP.

ISOA – Ms. Brenner was absent.

Student Representative – Becky DePue reported that the student council dedicated the benches in honor of Mrs. Suzanne Griffes.

Superintendent – New changes coming from the governor regarding core content graduation requirements. With the current curriculum changes being instituted by Mr. Friddle, we should be in good shape. In regards to the governor's idea to consolidate small school districts, it normally does not happen as each town wants to keep its own school, logo, colors etc. Webberville has already done a good job of consolidating services in regards to purchasing, food service, bus maintenance services and special education services. Dr. Skilling mentioned that Ms. Kristine Brenner was recently recognized by MASB with a merit award. 2002 bond update – we are in good shape with \$23,000 left over to complete various projects.

Communications and Petitions: None

Action Items:

Ms. Crandall moved, Ms. Shanabrook seconded a motion to approve the amended 2004-2005 general fund budget as presented. Motion passed 6-0

Questions or comments from the audience:

Sue Snow – Invited the board to family reading night at the elementary.

Brian Friddle – Recognized Mandy Branch – All State Honorable Mention in basketball and Joe Bloom made it through to the state finals in wrestling. The high school now has a AED (automated external defibrillator) that was donated to the school through The Kimberely Anne Gillary Foundation.

Questions or Comments from the Board of Education:

Cliff Simmons – Welcomed Caron Guidroz to the board of education. Ms. Guidroz will fill the seat left vacant by Ms. Beauvais.

Adjournment Ms. Shanabrook moved, Ms. Chamberlain seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion passed 6-0. The Webberville Board of Education Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted;

Teri L. Chamberlain

Secretary, Webberville Board of Education