

WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting – September 1, 2016

Regular Session 7:00 p.m.

Willows City Council Chambers

201 N. Lassen Street, Willows, CA 95988

MINUTES

1. OPEN SESSION – CALL TO ORDER

- 1.1 Roll Call – President Geiger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were: Mr. Ward, Mr. Geiger, Mrs. Taylor, and Mr. Parisio. Absent: Mrs. Knight
- 1.2 Welcome to Visitors
- 1.3 Flag Salute was led by Lisa Pence.

2. AGENDA/MINUTES

- 2.1 Approve the Agenda for September 1, 2016.
Mr. Parisio moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger to approve the Agenda for September 1, 2016.
AYES: Ward, Geiger, Taylor, Parisio
NOES: None
ABSENT: Knight
MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1
- 2.2 Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 4, 2016, and the Special Meeting of August 11, 2016.
Mr. Ward moved, seconded by Mrs. Taylor to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 4, 2016 and the Special Meeting of August 11, 2016.
AYES: Ward, Geiger, Taylor, Parisio
NOES: None
ABSENT: Knight
MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

4. REPORTS

4.1 Employee Associations (WUTA & CSEA) – No report

4.2 Principals

(WIS) Mr. Sailsbery reported:

- Back to School Night was held on August 25, 2016, and was fairly well attended.
- WIS continues to focus on sound instructional practices and teachers have noticed that more students coming over from MES are utilizing academic language and complete sentences when answering questions in class, so good job, Murdock.
- Technology infrastructure was updated last spring. WIS now has 4 chrome carts (30 per cart) and 2 computer labs (30 each) for a total of 180 devices, which is a ratio of a little bit more than 2:1 (student to device) on campus. The majority of WIS teachers are using Google Apps for Education (GAFE), which is a good thing. They are hoping to add a few more carts over the next few years, but hoping for one more this year (currently in negotiations with the District Office) which would eliminate 90% of their user issues.
- Coffee with Tim & Steve will be Friday, September 09, 2016, at 7:45 a.m.
- A watermelon feed will be held on September 9, 2016.
- Super Fun Day will be held on September 30, 2016.
- Bill Shively is asking to take 24 students on a trip, through River Jim, to Tomales Bay in Santa Rosa October 3-6, 2016.

(MES) Mr. Montana reported:

- Back to School night is September 8, 2016.
- On the first day of school, MES had a meet the principal event and nearly filled up the cafeteria.
- He's been visiting classrooms, working with teachers, talking with parents and connecting with students and getting to know the school community. Very happy with the staff.

- Mr. Montana presented Barbara Breuss a certificate of appreciation in honor of her 85th birthday, as well as her time and commitment to MES as a yard duty/crossing guard for 13 years.

(WCHS) - No report

(WHS) Mr. Johnstone reported:

- ASB/Athletics went to Odyssey Ropes Course to participate in a unity bonding experience with Durham High School students.
- GCOE Special Education Department was invited to the first collaboration day to do professional development for our teachers. The focus was accommodations and modifications, and what that looks like in the classroom.
- The second collaboration day focused on sound instructional practices, and the coaching staff attended. They focused on reflective practices to include videotaping teachers in the classroom, so they can reflect on their presentation skills. They would be able to see how their delivery was, teacher and students' demeanor, and how the teacher related to students during the lesson.
- Back to School night was August 31, 2016, and was a big success. They had root beer floats, and the band played.

4.3 Associated Student Body Report – Lisa Pence reported:

- ASB Activity Night went really well, and they made \$293 for ASB.
- Battle of the Axe T-shirts are on sale.
- Fall Homecoming is October 21, 2016. The theme is “Salad Dressing.” Seniors are Thousand Island (tropical); Juniors are French; Sophomores are Caesar (roman); Freshman is Ranch.
- Winter Homecoming theme is “Around the World.”
- Ms. Pence was asked what the students' perspective was on the Odyssey Ropes Course with Durham High School. She said some thought it was boring while others said it was fun and frightful. She commented that as a stat keeper, she noticed a difference on the sidelines at the WHS-Durham football game.

4.4 Director of Business Services – Mrs. Beymer reported:

- The 2015-16 books should be closed by the end of next week.
- She attended a CTE meeting at Sutter County Office of Education to go over the Career Technical Incentive Grant (CTEIG). WUSD received the first round of funding last year, which was about \$120,000. That money will help backfill the reduction of money from GCOE. There will be meetings in the future to further develop our pathways. In addition, we received \$14,000 in Carl Perkins money.

4.5 Director of State & Federal Programs – Mrs. Hamilton reported:

- CAASPP student test results were mailed out last week.
- On August 24, 2016, test results were publicly released.
- Ms. Hamilton distributed and went over CAASPP results for WUSD.

4.6 Superintendent – Dr. Geivett reported:

- Dr. Geivett wanted to commend all staff members for the smooth transition to the new school year.
- Enrollment numbers for WUSD:

	<u>9/1/16</u>	<u>9/1/15</u>	<u>End of 2015/16</u>
Districtwide	1432	1435	1430
MES	604	641	651
WIS	344	328	336
WHS	463	444	426
WCHS	21	22	17

- The argument in favor of the bond was submitted to the Elections Office. We are currently working on hiring a Bond Advisor.
- On September 19, 2016, there will be a Common to the Core countywide training for all employees to include administration, certificated, and classified staff.

4.7 Board of Education Members

Mr. Ward reported:

- Very impressed with the excitement from the new principals as well as in the classrooms and on the field, but he is concerned about the test scores.

Mrs. Taylor reported:

- Excited about the positive energy at the sites.
- Chaperoned the WHS ASB Activity Night. It was fun and nice to see everyone together.
- Her daughter enjoyed the ropes course and thought it was a worthwhile activity.

- Attended WCHS Back to School night.
- Fall Sports are off to a good start. It's nice to see so many staff members at the games.

Mr. Parisio reported:

- Attended WHS Back to School night and thought it was very well attended. He counted about 80 parents plus teachers. We need to look at trying to schedule Back to School nights so they don't conflict with other activities in the district like sports.
- Helped with the Butte College fundraising game that was held at the WHS football field. Butte College brought their whole team and scrimmaged. Mr. Parisio and Mr. Geiger barbecued over 300 hamburgers that Butte College provided free of charge as a fundraiser for the WHS ASB. They also provided drinks. ASB received the profits from the gate and food that was purchased.
- Good start to the year, but the test scores are alarming.

Mr. Geiger reported:

- Helped Mr. Parisio barbecue at the Butte College game. It was nice for our students to see what the next level in sports looks like.
- It's been a promising start to a good year for Fall Sports.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. GENERAL

1. Accept donation from Juan & Maria Briones in the amount \$8,061.52 to go towards a Chromebook Cart at WIS.

B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. Approve Interdistrict Requests of Students #16-17-08 through #16-17-16 to attend school in Willows Unified School District for the 2016/17 school year.
2. Approve Interdistrict Requests of Students #16-17-09 through #16-17-14 to attend school in another district for the 2016/17 school year.
3. Approve the WHS FFA Calendar of Events for the 2016/17 school year.

C. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. Approve employment of Deidre Fleming as Murdock Elementary School K-5 Opportunity teacher on a Temporary Provisional Internship Permit, pending approval of internship.
2. Approve employment of Mason Greeley, WIS Opportunity Teacher, effective approval of internship.
3. Approve Maternity/Child Rearing leave request for Amanda Haltom, MES 5th Grade teacher, to commence approximately September 26, 2016, and ending approximately December 16, 2016.
4. Accept letter of resignation from Bradley Hauskens, effective employment of a suitable replacement.
5. Approve the updated Classified Substitute List.
6. Approve the employment of the following coaches for the 2016/17 school year:

Volleyball – Volunteer Coach	Robyn Johnson
Swimming - Volunteer Coach	Patrick Sears

Winter Coaches:

Varsity Boys Basketball Head Coach	Richard Welsh
JV Boys Basketball Head Coach	Julio Garcia
JV Boys Basketball Volunteer Coach	Caleb Fleming
Varsity Girls Basketball Head Coach	Carol Martin
Boys Soccer Head Coach	Jose Cano
Girls Soccer Co-Head Coaches	Bud Ramirez (1/2 Stipend) Martin Castillo (1/2 Stipend)

Spring Coaches:

Boys Track Head Coach	Mike Biggs
Girls Track Head Coach	Evone LaCombe
Boys Tennis Head Coach	Andy Martin
Varsity Baseball Head Coach	Manuel Rakestraw
JV Baseball Head Coach	Darren Reed
Varsity Softball Head Coach	Terri Moore
JV Softball Head Coach	Danielle Andrade

7. Approve employment of the following for extra duty assignments at WHS for the 2016/17 school year:

Young Farmers Advisor	Staci Bettencourt
FFA Advisor	Amanda Samons
Yearbook Advisor	Caleb Fleming
Newspaper Advisor	Bethany Burch
ASB Activities Director	Danielle Andrade
WHS Band Director	Joe West
Academic Decathlon Advisor Volunteer	Jennifer Carriere
Saturday School	Maria Herrera
Detention	Joe Schantz, Sherry Brott, Maria Herrera, Staci Bettencourt, Merrie Busch
Concession Managers	Sherry Brott & Angela Kohler

8. Approve employment of the following for extra duty assignments at WIS for the 2016/17 school year:

Intervention Teachers:

Dianna Abold	Karen Furtado
Heidi Barley	Inette Howard
Cathy Fleming	Mark Huntley
Ernie Freer	Christine Kamienski

Yard Duty Supervisors:

Marian Christopherson	Laura Pedro
Alyssa Davis	Carolyn Stokes
Sarah Hill	Elizabeth Vasquez

Intramural Coaches:

Heidi Barley
Cathy Fleming
Inette Howard
Christine Kamienski

Detention:

Cathy Fleming
Karen Furtado
Tami Thomson

Other:

Noontime Activity (LEAP)	Mark Huntley & Joyce Ksander
ASB Activities Director	Dianna Abold
Yearbook Advisor	Dianna Abold
WIS Band Director	Joe West
Ind. Study Coordinators	Dianna Abold & Cathy Fleming
Computer Lab	Heidi Barley, Cathy Fleming, Mark Huntley & Pam Steward

9. Approve employment of the following assignments at Murdock for the 2016/17 school year:

Yard Duty Supervisors/Crossing Guards:

Tarra Bettencourt	Sarah Hill
Barbara Breuss	Theresa Mokler
Reanna Cooper	Peggy Morton
Alyssa Davis	Laurin Tutsch
Dorene Hickman	Elizabeth Vasquez

Other:

Ind. Study Coordinator	Kathy Parsons
Lunch Detention	Josh Niehues

D. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. Approve budget revision summary.
2. Approve warrants from 8/3/16 through 8/24/16.

Mr. Geiger moved, seconded by Mrs. Taylor to approve the Consent Calendar.

AYES: Ward, Geiger, Taylor, Parisio

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

C. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. **(Action)** Approve the establishment of the District Plan for Committee on Assignments in accordance with Education Code §44258.7 (c) and (d) for the 2016/17 school year.

Mr. Geiger moved, seconded by Mrs. Taylor to approve the establishment of the District Plan for Committee on Assignments in accordance with Education Code §44258.7 (c) and (d) for the 2016/17 school year.

AYES: Ward, Geiger, Taylor, Parisio

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

2. **(Action)** Approve the assignments of the following teachers per designated Education Code §44258.3/§44258.7 as noted:

Dianna Abold	Journalism/Leadership	Grades 7-8
Maria Briones	U.S. History	Grade 8
	Conversational Spanish	Grades 7-8
Bethany Burch	Journalism/Computer Apps	Grades 9-12
Merrie Busch	Art I/Art IB	Grades 9-12
Jennifer Carriere	Health	Grades 9-12
Caleb Fleming	Yearbook	Grades 9-12
Karen Furtado	Public Speaking	Grades 7-8
Julio Garcia	Physical Education	Grades 9-12
Mason Greeley	Computer Literacy	Grades 7-8
Joyce Ksander	Social Studies/History	Grades 7-8
Patrick Sears	Computer Applications	Grades 9-12
Pam Steward	Social Studies/History	Grade 7

Mr. Parisio moved, seconded by Mr. Geiger to approve the abovementioned teacher assignments.

AYES: Ward, Geiger, Taylor, Parisio

NOES: None

ABSENT: Knight

MOTION PASSED: 4-0-1

D. BUSINESS SERVICES - None

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

7.1 Labor Day is Monday, September 5, 2016.

7.2 MES Back to School Night will be held on Thursday, September 8, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

7.3 A non-instructional student day and professional development day for certificated employees will be held on Monday, September 19, 2016.

7.4 There will be a district-wide break October 3-7, 2016.

7.5 The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on October 13, 2016.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.