



WPS BOARD BRIEFS

Regular Board Meeting

May 14, 2018 ~ 6:00 PM

Presentations From The Floor:

The following presentations took place at the May 14, 2018 WPS Board of Education meeting:

Becca Hanson, WHS Junior:

WHS Junior, Becca Hanson, was on hand to provide musical accompaniment on the piano as guests were seated. She also performed one song after the meeting started.

Staff Recognition:

The following staff members were recognized during the meeting:

2017-18 Retirees:

- Dr. Thomas Reeder, Superintendent – 1991-2018
- Marcia Baker, Teacher – West Elementary – 1983-2018
- Wendy Keil, Teacher – WIS – 1995-2018
- Sharon Klomprens – Teacher – HWECC – 1989-2018
- Denise Van Der Schaaf – Teacher – Parkview Elementary, 1997-2018
- Kathryn VanNote – Teacher – WIS – 1999-2018
- Clark Verhulst – Teacher – WHS – 1986-2018
- Linda Healy – OT – WIS – 1999-2018
- Pam Graves – Paraprofessional – REI – 1989-2017
- Janet Brotherton – Bus Driver – Transportation – 2004-2017
- Richard Schipper – Maintenance – Gladiola/Parkview Elementary – 1983-2018
- Tymarie Boeve – Food Service, Gladiola Elementary – 2004-2018
- Arlene Leffingwell – Food Service, Gladiola Elementary – 2000-2018

2017-18 End of Year Awards:

- Professional Staff Member of the Year – Marcia Baker, West Elementary
- Support Staff Member of the Year – Anabel Rodriguez, Wyoming Intermediate
- Volunteers of the Year – David & Mandy Lubberts

KCEA Award Winners:

Eva Pritchard was recognized as the KCEA Outstanding Educational Support Personnel of the Year in the field of Food Service.

John Lubberts was recognized as the KCEA Outstanding Educational Support Personnel of the Year in the field of Transportation.

WHS Robotics:

Members of the WHS Robotics team along with their program mentors and sponsor teacher, Justin VanEtten, were on hand to demonstrate their robotic skills and to provide an update on the program.

Personnel Transactions:
Consent Items – Approved

The Board approved the following personnel transactions:

Retirements / Resignations:

- Mary Rose Benson, Paraprofessional – WJH, Effective 6/30/18
- Rene Bair, Teacher – Gladiola, Effective 6/30/18
- Brianna Pike, Teacher – HWECC, Effective 6/30/18

Certified Professional Staff
Reduction Resolution:
Action Item - Approved

The Board reviewed and approved a resolution to accept professional staff reductions as necessary due to student numbers and/or course selections for the 2018-19 school year.

Support Staff Reduction Resolution:
Action Item - Approved

The Board reviewed and approved a resolution to accept support staff reductions as necessary due to grant decisions and /or program changes for the 2018-19 school year.

Kent ISD 2018-19 Budget
Resolution:
Action Item - Approved

The Board reviewed and approved the 2018-19 Kent ISD budget as presented.

Curriculum Updates:

Craig Hoekstra, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, provided the Board with curriculum updates related to the upcoming District professional development plan, work on the K-12 science implementation plan, and early literacy training.

Upcoming Events:

Board Committee Work Sessions:

Thursday, June 7, 2018 ~ 4:30 PM – WPS Administration Building
Thursday, June 21, 2018 ~ 4:30 PM – WPS Administration Building

Board Meetings:

Monday, June 11, 2018 ~ 6:00 PM – WPS Administration Building
Monday, June 25, 2018 ~ 6:00 PM – WPS Administration Building

WHS Senior Art Exhibition:

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 ~ 6:00 PM – WHS Media Center

WHS Senior Award Night:

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 ~ 7:00 PM – WHS Gym

WHS Graduation:

Tuesday, May 22, 2018 ~ 7:00 PM - Grand Rapids First

Dr. Reeder's Retirement Open House:

Thursday, May 31, 2018 – 3-6 PM – WPS Administration Building