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WPS BOARD BRIEFS

Regular Board Meeting June 14, 2021 ~ 5:00 PM

2020-21 Alpha Wolf 11 Award Winners:

John Doyle, WHS teacher, and eight of the most recent 2020-21 Alpha Wolf 11 Champion of Character award recipients were in attendance at the meeting on Monday evening to be recognized by the Board for their accomplishments. Seniors Eduardo "Eddie" Francis Estrada and Zabiullah Najafi, juniors Rocco Albanese, and Lejla Nakic and sophomores Aljah Chandler, Cristian Diaz, Alexa Hudson and Liza LaMar addressed the Board and others in attendance. They provided an overview of how the program has impacted their lives, family, community and school. All were congratulated for their accomplishment and for living out the Alpha Wolf 11 values of kindness, graciousness, and compassion.

05/24/21 Board Minutes: **Action Item – Approved** The Board reviewed and approved the minutes of the regular session WPS Board of Education meeting held at 6 PM on Monday, May 24, 2021.

Personnel Transactions: **Action Item – Approved** The Board approved the following personnel transactions:

New Hires:

Jairad Hallo, Network/Tech Support Specialist, Effective 7/01/21 Carlos Amoros-Guiterrez, Student Advocate – WJH, Effective 8/14/21

Leaves of Absence:

Teacher – WHS, Effective 5/10/21 – 6/04/21 Teacher – WJH, Effective 9/07/21 – 11/30/21 Teacher – WHS, Effective 5/26/21 – 6/04/21 Secretary – WHS, Effective 9/16/21 – 12/13/21 Custodian – Gladiola, Effective 5/03/21 – 7/17/21

Resignations & Retirements:

Ashley Almas, Virtual Teacher – West, Effective 8/14/21 Ashley Bakker, Teacher – WJH, Effective 8/14/21

Superintendent Evaluation:

Following the committee meeting on June 10^{th} , the Board met to work through the final sections of Superintendent Hoekstra's 2020-21 evaluation. The group used the superintendent evaluation tool provided by MASB.

Knights of Columbus Bishop Haas Council Donation: Recently, Ron Pelka, Michigan Chairman of the Knights of Columbus Bishop Haas Council, presented Craig Hoekstra, WPS Superintendent, and Jason Maas, WPS Director of Student Services, with a \$500 donation to be used towards programs which benefit people with intellectual disabilities. The District thanked Mr. Pelka and the Knights for their continued support.

Back To School Registration:

Back to school registration and orientation dates have been set. The online enrollment process opens August 1 for returning students. Enrollment for new students continues and it is encouraged that new WPS students are registered at the parents' earliest convenience. Orientation dates will take place on Monday, August 16th with Seniors from 9-11am and Juniors from 12-2pm; Tuesday, August 17th with Sophomores from 10am-12pm and 5th grade at 6:30pm; Wednesday, August 18th with 7th Grade Smart Start from 7:30-9:45am and 6th grade at 6:30pm. K-4 Open Houses will be Monday, August 23rd from 6-7:30pm.

Staffing Update:

Sarah Earnest, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, provided the Board with a 2021-22 staffing update. She informed the Board that last week interview committees conducted 60 elementary teaching position interviews for 2021-22 openings.

2022 Chromebook Purchase: **Action Item – Approved**

The Board reviewed and approved the purchase of 600 Chromebooks from CDW in the amount of \$68,820 to be used in the 2021-22 school year at Wyoming High School and Wyoming Intermediate.

Summer School Update:

On Monday, June 14th, we welcomed approximately 1,000 students to our summer program. WPS staff, food service, transportation, maintenance, and TEAM 21 continue to have a high level of collaboration to make this the best experience for our students. Superintendent Hoekstra thanked Dr. Slanger for her hard work in the launch of 2021 summer school.

Upcoming Events:

Board Committee Work Sessions:

Thursday, June 24, 2021 – 4:30 PM Thursday, July 22, 2021 – 4:30 PM

Board Meetings:

Monday, June 28, 2021 – 4:45 PM – Budget Hearing Monday, June 28, 2021 – 5 PM Monday, July 26, 2021 – 5 PM

Other:

Feeding America Mobile Food Pantry-Gladiola – June 28, 2021–5 PM