

WALLACE GRADE SCHOOL DIST. 195
BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2015
7:00PM

Wallace Grade School Board of Education President Mike Stone called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and members present were: Stone, Carroll, Evola, Vogel, Keene, Mangold, and Miller.

Bill Vogel made a motion and Bill Keene seconded to approve the minutes from the December 18, 2014 meeting. In favor, Stone, Carroll, Evola, Vogel, Keene, Mangold, and Miller.

Visitors present at the meeting were Stan, Dr. Naila, and Shaun Bhurgri, Patrick Allen, and Tom Hart. Mr. Coates presented Shaun Bhurgri with the January Student of the Month Award. Shaun was present with his parents to accept this award.

Mr. Allen reported to the board on behalf of the teachers. He said the 2nd grade classes were recently visited by retired Judge Jim Brusatte. He also said the 3rd grade classes have been writing to pen pals. Mr. Allen reported the upper grade students have been very busy preparing for the upcoming Science Fair.

Mr. Allen and Tom Hart recently met with the Athletic Advisory Committee. They said that they would like to pursue starting a baseball team at Wallace. The board said they will discuss this.

Mr. Dennis Bute reviewed the treasurer's report. Bill Vogel made a motion and Doug Carroll seconded to approve the report. In favor, Stone, Carroll, Evola, Vogel, Keene, Mangold, and Miller.

Mr. Matteson reviewed the monthly bills. Bill Vogel made a motion and Doug Carroll seconded to approve payment of the bills, including the bills from AT/T and Country Mutual. In favor, Stone, Carroll, Evola, Vogel, Keene, Mangold, and Miller.

Mr. Matteson showed the board the thank-you notes from the staff for the Christmas gift cards to Wal-Mart.

Doug Carroll made a motion and Bill Vogel seconded to destroy closed session verbatim records prior to July 2013 and prior meetings. In favor, Stone, Carroll, Evola, Vogel, Keene, Mangold, and Miller.

Mr. Matteson gave the Superintendent's report. He gave a budget update, saying the state still owes us \$71, 807. He reported our investment account with Vezzetti Capital

Management made \$3,404 in interest in December and the Bond and Proceeds account earned \$238 in interest. Mr. Matteson said we received final notice of our State Financial Rating for year 2014, we received a 3.8 out of 4.0.

Bill Vogel made a motion and Rick Mangold seconded to approve the second reading of the following policies: 5.130, 5.185, 5.185AP, 5.220, 5.250, 6.20, 6.60, 6.60AP, 6.110, 6.280, 6.280AP, 6.300, 6.300E2, 6.310, 6.340, 7.50, 7.50AP, 7.100, 7.220, 7.220AP, 7.270, 7.270AP1, 7.270AP2, 7.270E, 8.20, In favor, Stone, Carroll, Evola, Vogel, Keene, Mangold, and Miller.

Mr. Matteson said that John Armstrong has agreed to run for the school board as a write in candidate. The election will be held on April 7, 2015.

Mr. Coates gave the Principal's report. He said that we had 81% of students in grades 3-8 on the 2nd quarter honor roll. Mr. Coates also discussed the 2014-15 school calendar, with changes being made because of the snow days. He also said the 2015-16 calendar is being worked on. Mr. Coates reported that parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on 1/29/15. He said the Ottawa High School and Marquette High School state scholars will be talking to the students on 1/30/15. The students will then be treated to a pizza party because of high test scores.

Mr. Coates said pre-school registration for 2015-16 will begin on February 2, 2015 to current students. The registration for all Wallace families and the public will begin on February 17, 2015. Mr. Coates reported on the extra-curricular activities. He said the 5th/6th boys basketball season has completed and the 7/8 regionals are being held at Wallace on 1/26/15 and 1/28/15.

Mr. Coates discussed the PARCC test. This is the new state test administered to students. The 3rd-8th grade students will be taking these tests.

At 8:25PM Bill Vogel made a motion and Bill Keene seconded to adjourn the meeting. In favor, Stone, Evola, Mangold, Vogel, Keene, Miller, and Carroll.

Respectfully submitted by Kathi Hermann,

Recording Secretary

Signed by Mike Stone,

Board President

