

Sept. 26, 2022, West Ada School Board Meeting

Sue Darden

*** Pre-Meeting Meanderings- Stuck way in the back because of reserved seating for National Merit Semi-Finalists and others. (I moved up after they left. If you sit in front, you do not end up in the video recording.)

- I. Meeting called to order at 6 p.m. by Chairman Lori Frasure.
 - a. Pledge by Sawtooth Middle School NJHS
- II. Superintendent's Update
 - a. Mtn. View High School Student Council/Leadership Board Report- Advisor, Justin Durflinger
 - i. Justin (looks like a student, pretty sure he is a student)
 - ii. Another student – Advanced leadership class- met with principal about school spirit- make 20/23 redefined culture year
 - iii. Justin – had a West Ada council of high schools last spring & during the summer
 - 1. Building culture at all the high schools
 - 2. Team bonding with student leadership from other schools
 - 3. At Mt. View decorated sidewalks before school started
 - a. Senior Sunrise
 - b. Back to school Assembly
 - c. Encourage attendance at after-school activities
 - i. Bingo card to attend school events, not just athletics- earn shirts
 - ii. Using social media to encourage participation
 - d. Home-coming Week big events
 - i. Dress-up days
 - ii. Food trucks
 - iii. Home-coming parade, community involvement
 - iv. Field day with activities at lunch
 - 4. Important to be unified
 - 5. Ch Frasure- Mt. View- has great school spirit
 - iv. Dr. Bubb – thanked them for their leadership
 - b. National Merit semi-finalists- 16 West Ada Students (10 in attendance)
 - i. Schools:
 - 1. 5 from Centennial
 - 2. 1 from Eagle High
 - 3. 1 from Meridian

- 4. 1 from Owyhee
 - 5. 5 from Renaissance
 - 6. 3 from Rocky
- ii. Picture Time with the board
- III. Patron Comments
 - a. Chris somebody – concerned about quality of the survey that went out
 - i. Concerned about how the survey had bad inferences
 - ii. They averaged the “no opinions” in with the “Definitely not”
 - iii. He felt that the district was asking for a blank check by asking questions like “do we need more elementary schools?” without giving any specifics of where they would be built
 - iv. Lots of great comments giving specifics about the types of questions and the way the data was gathered
 - v. **He made some great points. You could only fill out the survey if you stated you had a student at one of the schools, even though the first question asked if you were a parent, staff member, or patron. I thought the survey had some real biases, but maybe not the same way he did**
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approved
- V. Communications Policy- (third reading) Greg Wilson (Chief Communications Officer)
 - a. Rescind Policy 403.40 Media Release & 503.20 (School Publications_)
 - i. Made redundant by new policy
 - b. New policies
 - i. Policy 1100- Vision Goals
 - ii. Policy 1101- School Publications
 - iii. Policy 1102- Media Relations
 - 1. Policy 1102.10 -Public Records Requests, Data Requests
 - 2. Policy 1101.20 – School Publications
 - iv. Policy 1103- District & School-Operation social media
 - 1. Policy 1103.10 Employ Use of social media
 - c. Thanked his team and admin who have helped out
- VI. Policy 0602.30 – Textbook Hearing Process (first reading) Marcu Myers, Chief Academic Officer
 - a. New state law requires at least half of the committee has to be parents
 - b. Recommend approval after one reading
 - i. Changing language to match state standards
 - ii. K-5 literacy adoption starting, need to get committee going in a timely manner
 - c. Tr. Ozuna – wants representation from different zones, what process will district use to make sure all zones are equally represented?

- i. Marcus – will have representatives from across the survey & will make sure zones are represented
 - ii. Tr. O – will trustees help to choose committee?
 - 1. Marcus – usually DSC just picks, but can have board representation
 - 2. Tr. O – just wanted to know, board does not have to be involved
- VII. Policy 203.02 -Order of business, Regular Board Meetings (first reading) Deputy Superintendent
 - a. Board agenda will not necessarily be in a specific order
 - b. Ch. F- will it include public comment?
 - i. Nick – it can be one of the bullet points
- VIII. Policy 701.21- Meal Exchange for Cafeteria Supervisory Services (first reading) Jonathan Gillen, Chief Operations Officer
 - a. Policy should be rescinded, should be in procedure, not policy
 - b. Will not change operations at all
 - c. Dr. Bub – does not change current practices
 - d. Tr. Binette- supports moving things from policy to procedure
- IX. Action
 - a. Rescind Policy 403.40
 - i. Approved
 - b. Rescind Policy 503.30
 - i. Approved
 - c. Approve Policy 1100
 - i. Approved
 - d. Approve Policy 1101
 - i. Approved
 - e. Approve Policy 1102
 - i. Approved
 - ii. Approve policy 1102.10
 - 1. Approved
 - iii. Approved Policy 1102.20
 - 1. Approved
 - f. Approve Policy 1103
 - i. Approved
 - ii. Approve Policy 1103.10
 - 1. Approved
 - g. Approve Policy 0602.30
 - i. Approved
 - h. Rescind Policy 701.21
 - i. Approved
- X. Meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.