

## **WORK SESSION MEETING**

**Monday, April 28, 2025**

The Monday, April 28, 2025 School Board Work Session meeting of Independent School Dist. #2687 (Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted) was called to order at 6:30 pm. by Vice Chairperson Mulvihill. After the pledge of allegiance, roll was taken with the following members present: Koch, Bauman, Marketon, Mulvihill, Puncochar and J Borrell; absent: B Borrell. Also present were Superintendent Nate Walbruch and Board Secretary Marilyn Greeley.

**(Item IV)** Bauman recommended approval of the agenda; Puncochar seconded; passed unanimously.

**(Item V, Subd. A)** Mulvihill reported the administration recommends approving the employment of **Brennan Slipka** as a high school science teacher effective the 2025-26 school year, replacing Gary Schmidt; and **Hallie Hoff** as an SLPA effective the 2025-26 school year, replacing Christina Kittock.

Koch recommended approval of employment of Brennan Slipka and Hallie Hoff effective for the 2025-26 school year; Bauman seconded; passed unanimously.

**(Item V, Subd. B)** Superintendent Walbruch gave an update on the grade level building project. Walbruch reported there will be members of the Grade Level Transition Team at the May regular meeting to provide an overview of the process.

J Borrell asked how many people were on the team. Walbruch reported there are 13 members.

Puncochar asked what the overall feel of everyone on the team is. Walbruch reported that everyone is conducting themselves in a professional manner and trying to do what is best for kids and are working collaboratively together.

**(Item V, Subd. C)** Mulvihill asked if anyone had an update on the superintendent search. Superintendent Walbruch reported that applications close tonight and MSBA starts their screening process. Walbruch indicated that MSBA is the first filter of the applicants. Puncochar indicated that MSBA indicated that there were more than double the number of applicants than last time, and the board should be able to review the applications later this week. Marketon asked if the board will have the ability to bring a candidate forward if they feel strongly. Walbruch reported that yes, the board can request a specific candidate be brought forward to interview.

**(Item V, Subd. D)** Each board member gave positive affirmation about things happening in the district.

Bauman recognized all those who have subbed in our buildings especially at the elementary sites.

Marketon recognized those the booster bingo event that took place over the weekend, it was a great event, and it will be exciting to see how it evolves.

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Puncochar recognized the principals for bringing the Laker culture into the buildings, the painting and the students participating in what it means to be a Laker.

Koch recognized Mrs. Pam who she spent the day with, who is working hard to wrap up all the small things for those students going into kindergarten and preschool next year.

J Borrell also recognized the booster event that took place over the weekend, and that it will be exciting to see how it grows.

Mulvihill recognized Tami Bangasser in the middle school office. Mulvihill indicated that is a challenging age group and she handles it well.

**(Item VI, Subd. A) Upcoming Board Member Event Appearances:  
Calendar Link**

Mulvihill indicated there are several meetings coming up.

**(Item VII) Next Meeting Dates:**

**Special board meeting Tuesday May 6, 2025 5pm HLWW HS Media Center**

- A board member will be appearing from a remote location:

- Sonesta Philadelphia Rittenhouse Square (Business Center) 1800 Market St, Philadelphia County, PA, 19103, This location is accessible to the public.

**Special board meeting Friday May 9, 2025 5:30pm HLWW HS Media Center**

**Special board meeting -Saturday May 10, 2025 9am HLWW HS Media Center**

**Regular Board Meeting - Monday May 12, 2025 6:30pm HLWW HS Media Center**

**Special board Wednesday May 14, 2025 5:30pm HLWW HS Media Center**

**Special board Thursday May 15, 2025 5:30pm HLWW HS Media Center**

**Special board meeting Monday May 19, 2025 6pm HLWW HS Media Center**

**Work Session Meeting - Tuesday May 27, 2025 6:30pm HLWW HS Media Center**

**(Item VIII) Items for next meeting**

Special Meeting-May 6, 2025

- MSBA Superintendent Interview Training
- Selection of Superintendent Candidates to Interview

Special Meeting-May 9, 2025

- First Round Superintendent Candidate Interviews
- Discuss Information/Determine Second Interview Candidates
- Discuss Next Steps

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Regular Meeting-May 12, 2025:

- Bill Reader for April-B Borrell
- Bill Reader for May-J Borrell
- Bill Reader for June-Koch
- Department Report-Technology
- Leave/Resignations/Retirements
- Employment Recommendations/Lane Changes
- Approve Treasurer Report-January, April, July, October
- Monthly Budget Report
- Possible Review of Proposed 2025-26 Budget
- Estimate Approvals if Needed
- Transition team update

Special Meeting-May 14, 2025

- Second Round Superintendent Candidate Interviews
- Discuss Information/Determine Finalist
- Discuss Next Steps

Special Meeting-May 15, 2025

- Second Round Superintendent Candidate Interviews
- Discuss Information/Determine Finalist
- Discuss Next Steps

Special Meeting-May 19, 2025

- Discuss/Approve Superintendent Contract
- Discuss Next Steps

Work Session:

- Discuss
- Discuss

Mulvihill adjourned the meeting at 6:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Koch, Clerk