

Walla Walla Public Schools 10-10 Staff News



School Board Meeting Recap | September 19, 2017

Bond November 2018

*Wa-Hi, Pioneer and Lincoln
renovations top needs list*



Wade Smith

Superintendent Wade Smith reported the district is looking at November 2018 as a potential date for a bond measure during his update last night to the school board on the progress of the Community Facilities Task Force. Renovation of Walla Walla High School, Pioneer Middle School and Lincoln High School rest at the top of the needs list. Other critical facilities needs at all district schools including roofing, HVAC, life safety improvements and communications systems are being carefully studied for possible inclusion on a bond proposal.

Superintendent Smith reported the district's existing bond debt expires in December 2018. Options being considered for a potential bond proposal by the Community Facilities Task Force include no increases to local bond rates by replacing the existing bond rate with new projects, to options which include minimal increases to local bond rates. A survey will be released next week to garner input and test if the Community Facilities Task Force is going in the right direction regarding its needs priority list. In December, the Community Facilities Task Force will propose options to the school board for further review and community engagement.

A variety of strategies will be used throughout the winter to determine which option best meets the needs of the district and community. School board members are expected to make a final decision on a bond proposal option in May for the November 2018 General Election ballot.

Please take a few minutes to complete the survey once it is released next week.



Community Facilities Task Force members Paul Schneidmiller and Dick Moeller are releasing a video soon to update the community on the group's progress.

Board Meeting Highlights

APPROVED . . .

Minutes from the September 5, 2017 regular study meeting, personnel report, Extracurricular athletic contracts, Non-athletic extra and co-curricular contracts, September 19 accounts payable, August financial report, 2017-18 Perkins Grant application, 2017-18 WWVEA contract ratification, 2017-2018 PSE contract ratification, and Minimum Basic Education requirement compliance.

Enrollment Report . . .

Executive Director of Business Services Ted Cohan reported the first official enrollment count for the 2017-2018 school year is on target to meet the district's General Fund budget target of 5630 FTE. September enrollment figures do not include Alternative Education Program (AEP) or Running Start programs at Walla Walla Community. Enrollment counts from these WWCC programs will be tallied in the October enrollment report. Cohan said he will closely monitor enrollment figures each month.

High School Update . . .

Wa-Hi Senior Chloe Williams is serving as the Student Representative to the school board again this year. She reported on the tremendous success of FFA students at the fair, Homecoming activities and steps in place to engage more students in school activities and clubs.

Developing Washington's Most Sought-After Graduates

PERSONNEL
REPORT

EMPLOYMENT ...

Certificated:

NONE TO REPORT

Classified:

- GRISSELDE ACEVES | PARA-ED (BR PRESCHOOL)
- ELISABETH AMMERMAN | PARA-ED (WA-HI)
- NADIA CHAVEZ | PARA-ED (BR PRESCHOOL)
- DAKOTAH FRYATT | PARA-ED (WA-HI)
- CHRISTIAN FUENTES | PARA-ED (PROSPECT POINT)
- SARA HUXOLL | HEALTH RM ASST (GARRISON)
- EXPERANZA MARTINEZ | HEALTH RM ASST (BLUE RIDGE)
- EMMA MASSIE | PARA-ED (PROSPECT POINT)
- MICHELLE PAINE | PARA-ED (TEMP) (PROSPECT POINT)
- MINDY POSTLEWAIT | ASST SECRETARY (WA-HI)
- ESTRELLA RAMIREZ | PARA-ED (GREEN PARK)
- ARMANDO RUBIO | BUS ASST (TRANSPORTATION)
- KARA SCHULKE | LIBRARY TECH (GARRISON)

RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT ...

Certificated:

JESSE TORRES | BILINGUAL 1ST GR / SHARPSTEIN / 1 YR
- JESSE ALSO WORKED 13 YEARS AS A PARA-ED

Classified:

BRITTANY AYERS | PARA-ED / PIONEER MS, 3 YEARS
YESENIA TRUJILLO | PARA-ED / GREEN PARK, 3 YEARS

Quote of the Week

“An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.”

Benjamin Franklin

**SAVE
THE
DATE!**

*Please join us to celebrate
the opening of The Health Center
at Walla Walla High School*



**WA-HI HEALTH CENTER
RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY**

- >> **DATE & TIME:** Tuesday, Sept. 26 at 10:00 a.m.
- >> **LOCATION:** 800 Abbott Road (Wa-Hi Campus in the Health Center portable next to the academic building)

**MENTAL HEALTH
PRIMARY CARE
BEHAVIORAL SUPPORT**

*The Health Center at Walla Walla High School
delivers critical medical and mental health
services in support of academic achievement.*