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**TWINFIELD UNION SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, December 18, 2014**

**Twinfield Union School Library**

**PRESENT:** Patrick Healy, Dan Towner, Ahn Ducharme, Jill Wilson, Dan Gadd, Monica Light;  
**Administrators:** Nancy Thomas, Superintendent; Christina Kimball, Business Manager; Bob Gulardo, Assistant Principal; Pat Knoerl, Curriculum Director; **Absent:** Bridget Couture and Samantha Lege

**Call to Order:** Patrick Healy, Chair called meeting to order at 7:02pm.

**Public Comment:** None

**Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve November 25, 2014 Minutes – Jill Wilson moved to accept minutes as written, Dan Towner seconded. Minutes approved as written.

**Reports**

- a. Superintendent Report - Nancy Thomas
  - Budget work is underway and a new position for maintenance manager was approved
  - by WNESU Board.
  - Cabot Principal Search is moving forward. Currently three candidates to be interviewed. One in house and two outside candidates.
- b. Principal Report – Bob Gulardo
  - Bob shared improvements that have been made at Twinfield Union School in the past few years.
- c. Student Report –
  - None
- d. FY15 Financial Report
  - Twinfield is operating within 2% of the budget
  - Revenue: expecting greater special education reimbursement, negative revenue in prior years but have now filed Medicare claims from last year.
  - Contract negotiations have been settled.
  - Changes in Benefits for regular education Pre-K
  - Savings in Student support. No spending in professional services or supplies.

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### **Board Discussion**

#### a. FY 16 Budget

- Twinfield Union School Board Presentation: Nancy provided Historical School Data
- Christina shared the Grant Estimates for the Washington Northeast Supervisory Union FY 2015-2016.
- Twinfield Draft #2 Highlights: Total reduction from draft #1 – draft #2 \$142,134.00
- FY15 budget to FY16 budget proposal increases 1.5%
  - Removed Universal Pre=K expenditures
  - Reduced cut position to .8 FTE
- Proposed .2 FTE cut to Spanish: Ehren and Maureen shared letters with the board asking them to reconsider the cut to Spanish.

#### b. Teachers Collective Bargaining Agreement

- Final increases settled at FY15 3.3% and FY16 3.5%

#### c. Policy First Reading: F3 Search and Seizure by School Personnel

- Tabled

#### d. Next Board meeting dates: January 13, 2014 and a Budget Forum on January 20, 2014, regular board meeting to follow forum.

### **Board Action**

#### a. Ratify Teacher Collective Bargaining Agreement

- Jill made a motion to ratify the Teacher's Collective Bargaining Agreement. Patrick seconded the motion. Ratification approved.

**Executive Session** : None

**Adjournment** : Board meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Amanda LeBlanc, Transcriber