Gary Oyster, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Denise Becker, Wendy Byard, Peggy Bush, Mike Nolan, Jonathan Nugent, Gary Oyster

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Nugent led the Board and audience in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

Vice President Gary Oyster read the following statement: Before we begin, I would like to remind those viewing us on television or in the audience that a work session is a time when Board members and administrative staff have dialogue on issues currently within the district as well as discussion about future focus and ideas. The discussion in work sessions are simply that, discussion. Our job is to challenge ourselves and others on ideas that could lead to continual improvement of educational program delivery for K-12.

REPORTS

Teaching, Learning, and Technology Committee - Wendy Byard reported on the TLT Committee meeting that was held on November 12 when the following items were discussed: High School Recommendation to Move to Semesters; 6-12 Academic Strategy and Course Plan; and Adult Education’s Graduation Plan Request.

Personnel Committee - Gary Oyster reported on the Personnel Committee Meeting that was held on November 19 when the following items were discussed: Health Care Reform; Board Policy 7217 Dangerous Weapons; Board Policy 9150 School Visitors; and LEA Calendar.

Student Advocacy and Communication Committee - Denise Becker reported on the SAC Committee Meeting that was on November 21 when the following items were discussed: Policy 2431.01 Managing Heat and Humidity in Interscholastic Athletic Programs; Policy 5340.01 Concussions and Athletic Activities; and District Logo, Fight Song, and Naming of Schools.

DISCUSSION TOPIC

High School Semester Recommendation - Principals Doug Lindsay and Tim Zeeman, teachers Kristin Wilcox, Susan Sharp, and Duane Machesney, and counselors Cheryl Price and Jan Ciaramella presented information regarding a request to have the high school go back to semesters when consolidation takes place in the fall of 2014. East and West staff have been collaborating on this and feel this is what will be best for the students moving forward and are requesting the Boards approve.

It was the consensus of the Board that moving to semesters would be in the best interest of the students and supported the recommended from the committee.
FUTURE AGENDA TOPIC

Second Reading and Adoption of the following policies: Policy 5112 Entrance Age; Policy 5113.01 Schools of Choice (Intra-District); Policy 7540.07 Personal Internet Account Privacy – Students; Policy 7540.08 Personal Internet Account Privacy - Staff; and Policy 7542 Access to District Technology Resources from Personal Communication Devices.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mrs. Bush, supported by Mrs. Byard, that the meeting be adjourned. Roll call: Becker-aye; Bush-aye; Byard-aye; Nolan-aye; Nugent-aye; Oyster-aye. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

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Peggy Bush, Board of Education Secretary