



Mastering New Worlds

**Manson Northwest Webster Community School
Board of Education Meeting
November 4, 2010**

The Manson Northwest Webster Community School Board held an education meeting on Thursday, November 4, 2010, in the board room in the administration center.

Pres. Paterson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present: Paterson, DeWall, Hewitt, Jacobsen. Absent: Johnson, Lawler, Swartzendruber. Others present: Supt. Egli, Board Secretary Schroeder, Principals Davis, Holloway and O'Brien, Laura Horan, and Jeremy and Teresa Irwin.

Motion by DeWall, second by Jacobsen, to approve the agenda. All ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Paterson welcomed the group and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Jeremy and Teresa Irwin were present to share their ideas for a Family Rec Center at the old Manson Elementary Building. Their goal is create an environment that would offer services such as weight training equipment, aerobic classes, personal training, youth sports, and more. The space would also be available to rent for many different functions as well.

Rabiner Treatment Center principal John O'Brien informed the board that Rabiner Treatment Center has been chosen by the Department of Education to be one of 8 programs in the state who will have a behavior specialist come in and work with the students and staff. Mr. O'Brien also shared that 13 students recently took a field trip to Job Core to give them options to consider for the future.

Assessment Coordinator Laura Horan informed the board on the Iowa Core Implementation Plan. The Iowa Core Team will be attending a meeting next week. The characteristics of Iowa Core have been the focus of professional development this year. The District will be looking at the data at the end of the semester.

Jr/Sr. high school principal Mr. Shawn Holloway shared walk through information with the board. During his walk throughs, Mr. Holloway spends anywhere from 4 to 5 minutes up to the whole class period. Mr. Holloway looks for the use of the five characteristics of effective instruction. Teachers have instant access to the walk through information, and walk through data was also discussed at a recent faculty meeting.

Elementary principal Mrs. Rose Davis also shared walk through information with the Board. Mrs. Davis also focuses on looking to see if the five characteristics of effective instruction are being used. Fifteen minutes is spent doing a walk through, as opposed to a full evaluation, which takes forty to forty-five minutes. Mrs. Davis shared with the staff which benchmarks were commonly seen and which ones were not seen as often in administrative and peer walk throughs. The teachers are focusing on a student-centered classroom and teaching for understanding during their professional development this year. The walk through and new lesson plan format reflect this professional development.

Motion by Jacobsen, second by Hewitt, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Board Secretary

Board President