



Sequim School District
Monday January 22, 2018

Sequim School Board of Directors Meeting MINUTES

Present: President Short, Vice President Kuh, Director Stoffer, Director Henrikson, Director Gibson, Superintendent Neal, Hanna Smith, Damon Little, Tea' Gauthun, Nola Judd, Jon Kirshbaum, Debra Beckett, JeaneHe Gish, Tracy Delorm, Laura Gould, Michele Canepa, Joseph Meyers, Steve Gish, Tom Kelly, Donna Hudson, Brad Griffith, Kaylene Byrne, Linda Delvernois, Doug Delvernois, Brittany Murdach, Steve Mahitka, Lilli Hardesty, Cathy Green, Stephanie Clark, Anna Yates, Carol Harms, Stu Marcy, Eric Danielson, Joan Ritchie, Brad Moore, DeeDee Nielsen

Location/Time

District Office, 503 N Sequim Ave, Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Opening Items

President Short called the meeting to order at 6:00pm
President Short lead the Pledge of Allegiance, safety protocol and district Vision and Mission statement.

Special Presentation

Superintendent Neal recognized each board member with a certificate of recognition and recited the proclamation from Governor Jay Inslee. Greywolf students from Mrs. Lopez/Ms. Clark's music class performed (via a video submission) "Free At Last" in appreciate for the board. SHS floral students provided bouquets to the board and Greywolf and SMS sent appreciation banners.
Superintendent Neal presented feedback collected during the twelve public forums that were held over the last two weeks regarding the Capital Levy Project. Overall the public was receptive and thankful for the opportunity to be informed and offer input. Options three was the most popular although the attendees were not asked to vote.
The board recognized Superintendent Neal's efforts and Vanir Construction's quick turn around of alternate options, attending forums and the visual aids created for the forums.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Director Stoffer, approve 1/2/18 regular minutes, second by Director Gibson, vote taken; motion carried.

Agenda Discussion

Motion to approve as presented by Director Henrikson, second by Director Gibson, vote taken; motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve by Director Stoffer, second by VP Kuh, vote taken, discussion to recognize Windermere's donation the McKinney Vento program, motion carried.
Transportation warrant #244, \$80, 242.52, Transportation warrant #245 \$104,251.66
Capital Projects voucher \$55,727.47 AP Warrant # 2620-2623 ASB
General Fund voucher \$161,513.79 AP Warrant #189603-189668
ASB Fund voucher \$22,020.71 AP Warrant #11089-11100

Payroll N/A
Donations Windermere Foundation \$2,000.00 for McKinney-Vento program

Certificated

Accept resignation John Cole, SMS math teacher as of 1/11/18
Offer Brad Moore Robotics Coach position as of 1/5/18

Classified

Offer Aya Bos, Para educator at SMS; Celene Frick Health room Para educator SHS; Megan Lyke, District Office Receptionist; Neva Miller, Para educator SMS; Kendall Perlwitz, Health room Para educator SMS.

Accept resignation John O'Rourke, bus driver; Margaret Ahlgren Para educator Haller.

Staff Travel Approve WSSDA Legislative Day on the Hill Jim Stoffer, Gary Neal, Brian Kuh, Robin Henrikson, Brandino Gibson

Student Travel Approve Damon Little, WSSDA Legislative Day on the Hill

Contracts N/A

Budget December

Public Comments

President Short read the guidelines.

The following comments were made regarding agenda specific items:

Linda Delvernois offered thanks for holding the public forums and appreciates the meaningful history and future vision offered.

Joan Ritchie experienced the winter play and wanted to know who is responsible for cleaning the stage as debris overflowed into the audience.

Kaylene Bryne, OPA PTO commented that Option 3 seemed to be the best option for the Capital Levy. She also requested the board consider creating an OPA Advisory group made up of staff & parents to offer valuable input for future decisions regarding the Capital Levy Project.

JeaneHe Gish, Parent from OPA asked the board to consider a school building be considered before a fancy kitchen.

Regarding general items

Nola Judd read a prepared statement in regards to Ms. DeVos and empowering parents and removing constraints on educators imposed by State and District mandates calling for local control.

Student Board Representative Communication & Student Recognitions

Damon Little

Greywolf Elementary School thanks their board members for the time and energy they give to the programs and students of our district. They are well into the mid-year iReady testing window. Mrs. Hudson would like to offer a lot of praise for her staff and students as they navigate those assessments using only classroom computers and one cart on wheels. They are excited to have been able to send a team to the Kids at Hope conference in Federal Way last week. Their team came back energized and ready to find treasure in their school. They are also excited to and set up experiences for their kids to build hope and time travel.

At Helen Haller Elementary School they have been working through iReady testing as well. They have a reading club going on in the computer lab Monday through Friday working on reading skills, and chess club each Wednesday. Carrie Art is in full swing and many students have entered the Irrigation Festival Button Contest. Their PTO is putting their finishing touches on their final Turkey Trot Rewards. They had an obstacle course for the students in each grade level who have run the most laps, classroom rewards, like pancakes and pajamas with the principal, two pool parties (first and fifth graders) and the red carpet reward students who raised the most money. Their PTO uses the Turkey Trot to help fund their six books for summer project. They give thanks to their amazing PTO and all of their hard work.

Olympic Peninsula Academy is on their third week of i-Ready testing and it is going well. This past weekend their enrichment class, Future City had a competition in Seattle and they took home Best Land Surveying Practices which was presented by the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying. The students and staff are working really hard preparing for Night of Excellence which is this Thursday, January 25th. This is an opportunity that the students get to showcase what they have been learning all semester and they are really excited to cheer them on. It will be followed up by a dessert social to celebrate. As the semester is coming to an end they are finalizing next semester enrichment classes. They are excited to announce that we have a few new classes such as Investigations/Forensics and Skills Support that will be taught for the first time at OPA.

Tea' Gauthun

SHS

Wed, 1/24 – District wide Family Reading Night at the MS Library Thur & Fri, 1/25 & 26 – 1st Semester Finals – their schedule is periods 1, 3, 5 on Thur & 2, 4, 6 of Fri Tue 1/30 – Scholarship Notebook Due Wed 1/31, Thur 2/1, Fri 2/2, Sat 2/3 – Senior Class Play 7pm Mon 2/5 – DEN, HIV/AIDS state required education. Graduation requirement for Seniors Culinary Arts final is inviting staff, custodians, bus drivers, and board members to enjoy their final

Times: 1st and 2nd 8:45-10, 3rd 10:45-11:55, 5th and 6th 1:25-2:30 Menu for 1st- omelet, chocolate chip pancakes, stuffed pesto chicken, linguine Alfredo, and crepes

2nd- pasta cabanera, pasta Alfredo, crepes, omelet, country home style breakfast

3rd: pasta paramado, quesadillas, crepes, lime chicken with rice, general tso, dessert

5th: chicken Alfredo, stuffed manicotti, fried chicken, chicken ranch wrap, bbq chicken w Brussels sprouts, chicken teriyaki stir fry

6th: cc burger, soup and salad of the day, spaghetti and meatball, quesadillas, jalapeño poppers

SMS

They had a very success March on Washington honoring MLK. A special thanks goes out to Leadership Students & Mr. Miko for facilitating this process.

The staff is working on the 2nd Universal Truth, in developing the Kids at Hope Culture. Staff selected students they are “Aces” for during their PDM today. This data will help them see which students they have strong relationships with staff members at the school. Most importantly, the data will also let them know which students do not have an “Aces.” (Disclaimer: an Ace is an adult in child’s life with a caring, meaningful, and sustainable relationship). Lastly, they’ve been working hard to communicate with families and students who are at-risk of failing any Semester 1 courses. This has had a significant impact on the students efforts as this the number of course failures is decreasing significantly.

Board Communication and Other Items

President Short responded to Kaylene Byrne's comment regarding an OPA advisory committee - it is an excellent idea. President Short also clarified why OPA is taking precedent and the board seriously considered all Options presented with OPA at the forefront of their minds.

Director Gibson thanked the crowd for the appreciation and he will be looking into HB2311 in regards to reducing barriers for students to participate in activities, not just sports. The length of time that a physical will be required is also being considered.

Director Henrikson shared a PowerPoint regarding Organizational Culture and Climate from a conference she attended. She is reading the book Powerless to Powerful and will report back her thoughts on the book.

Director Stoffer attended the awesome MLK walk at SMS, attended the Sequim Chamber retreat with Director Gibson, shared legislative updates in regards to McCleary.

VP Kuh thanked everyone for all the board appreciation "love". It was great to see elementary students perform. Thank you to Representative Tharinger and VanDeWege for passing the capital budget, discussed three bills on aquaculture and potential opportunities for students to learn and is willing to assist. Is repugnant that our kids are used as bargaining chips and continue to advance an ideological cause. We lost another community member due to mental illness.

Please continue to look out for your neighbor.

President Short reported there is not an executive session next week before the meeting as Colleen Miller from WSSDA will be facilitating a communication workshop. It is board assessment time - please participate, the link is in OneNote. Please complete in time to discuss at the February 20th executive session.

Reports to the Board

Project Lead the Way- Steve Mahitka, Deb Beckett, Isaac Rapelje, Brad Moore, Brittany Murdach and Laura Gould presented.

Steve Mahitka asked folks to please keep in mind that if 1080 is delinked, CTE will lose funds.

Budget & Finance Report was presented by Superintendent Neal. Board members would like to pursue a Finance Committee.

Director Stoffer reviewed legislative conference updates and would will follow up at the meeting on 2/5/18.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Neal requested the board to consider authorizing "blue flags" from the warming center to be placed on each campus. Please let him know your decision by 2/5/18.

Board Business (Old/New)

Superintendent Neal presented at First Reading Policy 5222 Job Sharing Staff Members

Superintendent Neal presented at First Reading Policy 5001 Hiring Retired School Employee

Director Henrikson moved to approve Policy 3210, Non discrimination, second by Director Stoffer, vote taken; motion carried.

Motion by Director Stoffer to approve one of four options, second by Director Henrikson. Director Stoffer withdrew motion. Motion to approve Option 3, second by Director Henrikson, discussion ensued: the board has done it's due diligence and was not comfortable making this decision without community input. Public forums were they way to go and we learned a lot. Vote taken; motion carried.

For the Good of The Order

None

Informational Items**Upcoming Board Meetings**

February 5 Regular Board Meeting
February 20 (Tuesday) Regular Board Meeting
March 5 Regular Board Meeting
March 19 Regular Board Meeting
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April 16 Regular Board Meeting

Other Items of Interest

January 24 - Family Reading Night Sequim Middle School 5:30pm
January 28-29, 2018 Legislative Conference and Day on the Hill
January 29 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Professional Development
February 16 - NO SCHOOL
February 19 - NO SCHOOL Presidents Day

Executive Session

President Short dismissed the board to executive session at 8:37pm for 45 minutes to discuss a personnel item with no action taken. President Short extended the executive session for 15

Meeting adjourned at 9:41pm

Heather Short, President

Superintendent Gary Neal