

**WASHOUGAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 112-06**  
**Board of Directors' Meeting**  
**Tuesday, January 26, 2010, 6:30 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** Blaine Peterson, Board Director; Elaine Pfeifer, Board Director; Orlan Gessford, Board Director; Ron Dinius, Board Director; Tom Huffman, Board Director; Teresa Baldwin, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board.

**1. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Blaine Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and Ron Dinius led the pledge of allegiance.

**2. AGENDA REVISIONS**

Teresa Baldwin asked for an executive session item to be added for the discussion of buying/selling property, per RCW 42.30.110(A)(2, 3).

**3. COMMENTS – BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS**

Elaine Pfeifer – Elaine has received feedback from Washougal High School (WHS) parents who are very appreciative of the Panther Time lunch program and value its positive reinforcement.

Ron Dinius – Ron reported that State Superintendent Randy Dorn testified in front of the House Education Committee in support of his proposed legislation to reform the math and science high school graduation requirements. Ron will be in Olympia next Wednesday to meet with State Senator Zarelli, and possibly State Representatives Herrera and Orcutt. Ron attended the girls' wrestling tournament on Saturday, where WHS placed first – great job Washougal girls!

Orlan Gessford – Orlan commented that the linkage meeting with seniors last week was very useful and the senior citizens input was valuable.

Blaine Peterson – Blaine presented the State of the Schools address to the Camas-Washougal Chamber of Commerce last week. A good article in the Post-Record covered the event. The next WHS drama production, "The Awesome Eighties Prom" will be performed January 29 and 30 and February 5 and 6 at 7:00. There were four positive letters to the editor regarding the upcoming Washougal School District (WSD) levy. Blaine has received consistent appreciative feedback from patrons regarding the district's decision to keep the total amount collected in the levy the same as the current amount with no increase in the next four years.

Rebecca Miner – A program was recently held for parents of Highly Capable (HiCap) students. Training for the HiCap cluster teachers will continue next week.

Teresa Baldwin – Teresa thanked Blaine for speaking at the Chamber luncheon on behalf of the district last week. She also thanked coach Heather Santos for all of her work with the WHS girls' wrestling team. Teresa was able to watch the team at compete at Skyview High School last week, and was very impressed with their performance. Due to the fire at Head Start's Washougal area site, Doug Bright and Laura Bolt are meeting with Head Start staff to consider one of the Hathaway Elementary School portables as temporary housing for the program, and will likely enter into an agreement for the use of the facility while the Head Start rooms are being restored. Teresa attended the Football Hall of Fame, where WHS senior Ben O'Hara was honored. JMS staff member Linda Peters's grandson was also recognized at the event. Congratulations to those students! The Clark County State of the County address will be given at Skyview High School on February 4 at 3:30 p.m. Any board members planning to attend should contact Cassi Marshall. Teresa handed out copies of the district newsletter, which was mailed to all patrons today. She will also be taping a levy presentation that will be available on the district website as well as on the ESD's educational channel.

#### **4. COMMENTS – CITIZENS**

Linda Peters – Linda reported that State Superintendent Randy Dorn and Governor Christine Gregoire have added President Obama’s “Race to the Top” program to the state’s agenda. Teresa Baldwin will keep the board informed as more information regarding the state’s involvement with this program becomes available.

#### **5. CONSENT AGENDA**

Board members received and reviewed the following documents in advance of the meeting:

**A. Meeting Minutes (January 12, 2010)**

**B. Accounts Payable (January 2010)**

General Fund

Warrant numbers 178142 – 178272 in the amount of \$360,846.12 (Pay date: January 27, 2010)

ASB Fund

Warrant numbers 18001 – 18026 in the amount of \$24,384.64 (Pay date: January 27, 2010)

Capital Projects Fund

Warrant numbers 3678 – 3680 in the amount of \$4,017.40 (Pay date: January 27, 2010)

**C. Payroll (January 2010)**

Warrant numbers 178076 – 178141 in the amount of \$1,748,613.51 (Pay date: January 29, 2010)

**D. Budget Status (December 2009)**

**E. Policy Governance (Linkage Meeting Notes, January 19, 2010)**

**F. Personnel Report**

**G. Contracts**

**H. Travel**

**I. Field Trips**

**J. Donations**

Tom Huffman moved, seconded by Elaine Pfeifer, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **6. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

**A. School Improvement Plan: Cape Horn-Skye Elementary**

Rebecca Miner introduced Mary Lou Woody, Principal, Cape Horn-Skye (CHS) Elementary School, to present the School Improvement Plan (SIP) for 2009-10. Mary Lou shared the school’s goals for students in math, reading and writing on the next state assessment. She presented information as to how the CHS staff, students and families are working to reach those goals. Teresa Baldwin shared last year’s WASL data for the school, noting that scores were above state averages in reading and math, and very near their previous goal of 85% meeting standards. Ron Dinius commended the school on its achievements. CHS teacher Penny Andrews was present to describe the school’s Math Masters program. The board thanked Mary Lou for the CHS presentation.

**B. Healthy Youth Survey**

Deanna Hogan, WHS counselor, introduced the members of the district counseling team: Michele Mederos, Linda Jones, Julie Bristol, Rhea Bohlin and Lemicia Lindsey. Counselors presented data from the most recent Healthy Youth Survey taken in grades 6, 8, 10 and 12, especially highlighting areas that counselors are focusing on with students, including substance abuse, depression, suicide prevention and bullying. Deanna closed by speaking of ways that families and the community are partnering with schools in the interest of students’ health and well-being. Washougal parents or citizens who would like to be involved in preventive efforts should contact Deanna at 954-3114.

**C. 2010 Community Budget Task Force**

Teresa Baldwin shared with the board a list of community members who have volunteered to serve on the 2010 Community Budget Task Force. The first meeting is scheduled for January 28, and the group will meet once per month through June. Teresa gave a brief history of the 2009 Community Budget Task force group and shared original list of projected cuts compared to the actual cuts that were made which resulted in a \$1.3 million reduction in this year’s budget.

**7. PROPOSALS FOR ACTION**

**A. Board Policy #5010, Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action**

Doug Bright presented the second reading of Policy #5010 regarding nondiscrimination and affirmative action. Tom Huffman moved to approve the policy as presented. Elaine Pfeifer seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**B. Resolution 2009-10-11: Affirmative Action Plan**

Doug Bright presented Resolution 2009-10-11 regarding WSD's affirmative action plan. Orlan Gessford moved to approve the resolution as presented. Tom Huffman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**8. POLICY GOVERNANCE**

**A. Executive Limitation 8, Financial Administration**

Orlan Gessford commended Rosann Lassman and her business office staff for their excellent work in the financial administration of the district. All board members concurred, thanking Rosann. Blaine Peterson collected the monitoring report response forms from each board member, noting that the approval of EL-8 will be on the consent agenda at the next regular meeting.

**B. Linkage Meeting Debrief: January 19, 2010 with Senior Citizens**

Teresa Baldwin shared with the board a draft of a letter to one of the linkage meeting attendees, in which his questions regarding the district's cost per student amounts were answered. The board agreed that the meeting was valuable and that the participating senior citizens presented good ideas. The board proposed meeting with senior citizens on a more regular basis, perhaps annually.

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Elaine Pfeifer asked to have an overview and update on the Panther Time program at WHS. Teresa Baldwin is considering a presentation to the Board related to the district's students participating in home school programs.

**10. BOARD EVALUATION AND ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Blaine Peterson collected the board's self-evaluation forms. The results are attached.

Tom Huffman moved to adjourn to executive session for approximately 15 minutes at 8:27, noting that the board would return to regular session for adjournment only. Elaine Pfeifer seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**RCW 42.30.110 (A) (7) Performance of an Employee**  
**RCW 42.30.110 (A) (2)(3) Buy/Sell Property**

**RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ADJOURNMENT OR ACTION**

At 8:55 p.m., Dr. Orlan Gessford made a motion to return from executive session for adjournment only, seconded by Tom Huffman, and the motion was approved unanimously.

**Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 2010**

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**President**

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**Secretary to the Board**

<b>Board Self Evaluation Results</b>											
<b>January 26, 2010</b>											
					board member:	1	2	3	4	5	<b>Average</b>
1.	The board followed its agenda and did not allow itself to get sidetracked.					4.9	5	3	5	4.5	4.5
2.	The agenda was well planned to focus on the real work of the board.					4.9	5	3	5	5	4.6
3.	The meeting started on time and proceeded in a timely manner.					4.9	5	5	4	4	4.6
4.	The meeting proceeded without interruptions or distractions.					4.9	5	4	3	5	4.4
5.	The board's deliberations and decision-making processes were public.					4.9	4	4	5	5	4.6
6.	Participation was balanced; all participated; no one dominated.					4.9	5	4	5	4	4.6
7.	Members listened attentively, avoiding side conversations.					4.9	5	4	4	5	4.6
8.	Work was conducted in an atmosphere of trust and openness.					4.9	5	4	5	5	4.8
9.	Meeting participants treated each other with respect and courtesy.					4.9	4	4	5	5	4.6
Point scoring system:											
1	Failed										
2	Unacceptable										
3	Acceptable										
4	Commendable										
5	Met Best Expectations										