

**Washougal School District 112-6
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 9, 2017**

Board Tour of Excelsior Building, 5:30 p.m.
1401 39th Street
Regular Meeting, 6:30 p.m.; Executive Session to follow
Washougal School District Office
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PRESENT: Ron Dinius, Board Director; Elaine Pfeifer, Board Director; Teresa Lees, Board Director; Jaron Barney, Board Director; Cory Chase, Board Director; Patricia Boles, Assistant Superintendent; and Mike Stromme, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board.

1. Work Session

A. Board Tour of Excelsior

2. Opening Items

A. Call to Order, Regular Meeting-Pledge of Allegiance

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

B. Agenda Revisions

None.

C. Comments-Board of Directors and Administrators

Jaron Barney said there was nothing new to report from the legislature, as they are on a two week break. Teresa Lees shared her appreciation for teachers, since this is Teacher Appreciation week.

D. Superintendent's Update

Superintendent Mike Stromme thanked Teresa Lees for the segue, and read the governor's proclamation for Teacher Appreciation Week. May 8-12 is Teacher Appreciation week, and May 9 is Teacher Appreciation Day. Mike thanked all the teachers, association members, and WAE President Frank Zahn, with gifts of chocolate.

E. Student Representative Report

Zach Kettleson-Snow presented on co-curricular activities. Zach specifically pointed to sports, drama, band, music, ASB, ASL, art club, as important extracurricular activities. Those activities allow students to learn the following skills: time management, social skills, teamwork, project management, delegation, exploring new interests, patience, and bravery.

These activities allow students to explore who they want to become, to find people with similar interests, and to become involved in the school itself. Mike Stromme thanked Zach for the presentation and stated that next time will be a year in review, and an introduction of the new student representatives.

F. Comments-Citizens

Brett Cox shared that as a taxpayer, he is concerned with the JMS direction. Being told the new school will house 600 kids in 22 classrooms with teachers sharing, seems to be a step backward. He is not alone in thinking there is not enough space being built. Portables are a possible solution.

Heidi Kleser spoke on the district decision to put the OSPI Fellows Program on hiatus. Language arts, math, technology all have TOSAs, but there are none for science. Teachers need to have access to leadership, and Heidi's hope is that the district can reconsider.

WAE President Frank Zahn gave his thanks for teacher appreciation. Parents at Gause brought so much food it was overwhelming. Frank also spoke about the foreign language component concern from last time, and shared it is good to see a new opening posted. Frank's concern as president is the discouragement being felt by membership. There is a lot of angst around what is happening in the legislature, and his wish is for the board to support the hard work of teachers.

3. Consent Agenda

Board members received and reviewed these documents in advance of the meeting.

A. Minutes (April 25, 2017)

B. Accounts Payable

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing which has been made available to the board. As of this date the board, by a unanimous vote, does approve for payment those vouchers included in the below list and further described as follows:

General Fund

Warrant Numbers 211135 through 211198, totaling \$171,433.73 (Pay date: 5-12-17)

Warrant Numbers 211199 through 211223, totaling \$43,858.64 (Pay date: 5-12-17)

Voids/Cancellations, totaling \$43,858.64

ASB Fund

Warrant Numbers 41272 through 41283, totaling \$21,739.28 (Pay date: 5-12-17)

ACH

ACH Numbers 161700342 through 161700353, totaling \$8,990.97 (Pay date: 5-12-17)

Capital Projects

Warrant Numbers 4237 through 4237, totaling \$628.21 (Pay date: 4-25-17)

Warrant Numbers 4238 through 4250, totaling \$3,444,917.19 (Pay date: 5-12-17)

C. Payroll (April 2017)

General Fund (\$2,341,997.44) Warrant Numbers 1000087- 1000094 totaling \$1,991.36 (Pay date: April 28, 2017)

Warrant Numbers 211100-211129, totaling \$537,484.07 (Pay date: April 28, 2017)

ACH Numbers 161700339-161700341, totaling \$214,159.98 (Pay date: April 28, 2017)

Non-Warrants, totaling \$1,588,362.03 (Pay date: April 28, 2017)

D. Personnel

Appointments:

- Reilly, Kevin, Math Teacher, WHS, effective 09/07/2017
- Lowe, Camille, Para, Gause, effective 05/10/2017

Resignations:

- Witt-Myers, Laura, Speech Pathologist, District, effective 06/23/2017
- Andrews, Penny, Math Coach, District, effective 06/23/2017

Retirements:

- Burrows, Cathy, Reading Teacher, Hathaway, effective 6/24/2017

Leaves of Absence:

- McKee, Alexis, 3rd Grade, Hathaway, effective 2017-18 School Year
- Wallace, Leilani, Kindergarten, Hathaway, effective 2017-18 School Year

E. Contracts

F. Field Trips

G. WIAA Regional/State Competition Travel Approval Letter

Jaron Barney moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Elaine Pfeifer seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

4. Informational Presentations

A. Construction Update

Adam Cormack from R & C Management and Facilities Director Joe Steinbrenner presented the May construction update.

5. Proposals for Action

A. Board Meeting Calendar 2017-2018

Superintendent Mike Stromme presented the 2017-2018 Board Meeting Calendar. Jaron Barney moved to approve the 2017-2018 Board Meeting Calendar as presented. Cory Chase seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

B. Resolution 2016-17-06A: 2017-2018 WIAA Enrollment

Superintendent Mike Stromme presented the Annual WIAA Resolution for sports and extracurricular programs in the state of Washington. Elaine Pfeifer moved to approve Resolution 2016-17-06A as presented. Teresa Lees seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

C. Recommendation: Adoption of Middle School English Language Arts Curriculum

Superintendent Mike Stromme read from the recommendation to adopt Amplify-Middle School English Language Arts for grades 6-8. Mike gave background on the adoption schedule from last year and work of the Instructional Materials committee. Assistant Superintendent Patsy Boles clarified the licensing is for seven years, and described how the program is designed specifically for middle schools students. There is a training in June for those not involved in the trial.

It is easy to get into and use. Teacher representatives Tiffany McCormick, Susan Stevens, and Ashley Schafer spoke on how the program aligns with the elementary program. Tiffany McCormick shared there is a general sense of excitement.

Susan Stevens said the program is rigorous, and very scaffolded to prepare students for high school work. Ashley Schafer shared there is a lot of embedded writing. The board thanked those on the committee for their work. Jaron Barney moved to approve the adoption of Amplify-Middle School English Language Arts as presented. Elaine Pfeifer seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

D. Recommendation: Adoption of High School English Language Arts Curriculum

Superintendent Mike Stromme read from the recommendation to adopt my Perspectives-English Language Arts by Pearson 2017. Teacher Vena Black described how the curriculum is theme based. There are mini-essays that lead to bigger essays in relation to essential questions. Staff is really impressed and excited to bring it in. There is a lot of non-fiction, but a broad range of selections, and a diverse range of authors. Teresa Lees moved to adopt my Perspectives-English Language Arts by Pearson 2017 as presented. Cory Chase seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

6. Policy Governance

A. Executive Responsibilities 8-Financial Administration

Business Manager Larry Mayfield presented ER 8-Financial Administration. Ron Dinius collected monitoring response forms from all board members present, noting the approval of ER 8.

7. Future Agenda Items

None.

8. Board Evaluation

Ron Dinius collected the board's self-evaluation forms.

9. Executive Session

The board recessed to executive session at 7:29 p.m. with no action.

10. Adjourn

The board returned to the regular meeting for adjournment only. Elaine Pfeifer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Jaron Barney seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dated this 23rd day of May, 2017

President

Secretary to the Board