

OFFICIAL
LAKE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 414
Board of Directors' Meeting
October 8, 2007

The board meeting was called to order by
President Pendergrass at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Members present: Jackie Pendergrass,
Ravi Shahani, and Doug Eglington.

ROLL CALL

Excused: Nancy Bernard and Matt
Gregory.

Present: Superintendent Chip Kimball.

Doug Eglington moved to approve the
October 8 agenda with the removal of
Tab 4, Value Engineering Report and
Recommendations for Robert Frost
Elementary School. Seconded by Ravi
Shahani.

APPROVAL OF
AGENDA

Motion carried.

Principal Jeff DeGallier, Muir Elementary,
highlighted the accomplishments of staff and
students. This is a very diverse school,
socio-economically and academically. 46% of the
students qualify for free and reduced lunch and
117 out of 440 students are in the English
Language Learner (ELL) program. Muir
provides a caring and nurturing learning
environment with consistent parameters. Every
child is provided a rigorous academic program
and all students are expected to achieve. Some
of the core values employed by staff are for
students to know that they care and that they are
collaborative and reflective practitioners.
Instructional decisions are based on data for
every child and knowing time and intensity will
help every child succeed. Also, staff has begun
to learn Spanish to make deeper connections
with students and families. He thanked the staff
and PTSA for their strong commitment and
support.

Muir Elementary -
Host School

Principal Jane Todd recognized those students from Redmond High School who were named National Merit Semifinalists and Commended Scholars

National Merit Commended Scholars:

Alfredo Arnaiz, Danielle Ashworth, Alan Chang, Vasu Chintala, Geoffrey Dennis, Bjorn Mellem, Rachel Solomon, Drew Sternesky, Deanne Tockey, Adriana Vieco, Laura Wang, and Yu Zhang

National Merit Semi-Finalists

Zachary M. Doleac, Emily Y. Guo, Jamie D. Hall, Zachary L. Hills, Meir Lakhovsky, Saul A. Ryenolds-Haertle, Carmen L. Tubbesing, Sydney N. Weltkamp, and Marcus Zeitz

Several students, parents, and community members addressed the board expressing their support of DECA and requested that Eastlake offer DECA as a co-curricular program. Currently DECA is offered as an afterschool club. DECA Students reviewed the community support they have received and the benefits of the DECA program. The following speakers addressed the board: Lisa Jensen, Matthew Villeneuve, Melanie Bell, Ron Cooper, Josh Donaldson, Almeerd Anwar, Constance Best, Rod Brooks, Jordan Villeneuve, Kerri Nielson, and Geoff Coyner.

Mrs. Pendergrass thanked the students and community for sharing their input in a very organized, articulate manner. Superintendent Kimball related that this issue will be reviewed.

Kristin Pingree, Julie Wright, and Sharon Peaslee shared their concerns with the district's math program.

Recognition

Redmond High School
National Merit Semi-Finalists and
Commended Scholars

Public Comment

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Alicia Moss, a Camden Park resident, expressed her concern with the current elementary boundary process for Site 52. She found the information on the district's website to be misleading. It was noted that the district's website would be amended.

Donna Unruh and Cathy Nickelson, Head Start and Ready Start, related that there are 110 at-risk students on a waiting list. She thanked Dr. Kimball for visiting the program. This is a wonderful program. She highlighted that Governor Gregoire has a vision for the State of Washington to provide quality preschool programs for all children.

Wendy DeLong, PTSA President, highlighted the priorities set at the 2007 PTA Legislative Assembly.

Doug Eglinton moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Ravi Shahani.

CONSENT AGENDA

Doug Eglinton, yes; Ravi Shahani, yes; and Jackie Pendergrass, yes.

Motion carried.

Approval of September 24, 2007 minutes.

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Approval of October 8, 2007 Human Resources Report and salary schedules.

APPROVAL OF
HUMAN RESOURCES
REPORT

Approves the appointment of the members listed to the Instructional Materials Committee for the 2007-08 school year as presented.

INSTRUCTIONAL
MATERIALS
COMMITTEE, 2007-08
MEMBERSHIP

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DONATIONS

Redmond High School PTSA to Redmond High School in the amount of \$2,000.00 to provide stipend for drug and alcohol specialist and counseling grant to assist students with fees/supplies/class materials.

Norman Rockwell PTA to Rockwell Elementary School in the amount of \$13,892.62 to provide classroom enrichment; field trip transportation, and school enrichment (\$5,792.61); kindergarten playground equipment (\$3,500); stipend for choir program (\$1,800); stipend for student council program (\$1,800); Susan B. Tobey Scholarship Fund (\$1,000).

Elizabeth Blackwell PTSA to Blackwell Elementary School in the amount of \$5,400.00 to provide field trip grants.

Lakeview Elementary PTA to Lakeview Elementary in the amount of \$17,037.00 to provide nine teacher stipends to support school program.

H.D. Thoreau Elementary PTA to Thoreau Elementary in the amount of \$1,893.00 to provide stipend for intramural program.

Samantha Smith PTSA to Smith Elementary in the amount of \$9,880.00 to provide school buses (\$2,500); authors (\$1,500); field day (\$500); "Read Naturally" (\$100); emergency supplies (\$750); scholarships (\$250); music field trips (\$250); safety patrol (\$900); and supplementary materials/equipment (\$3,130).

John Muir Elementary PTA to Muir Elementary in the amount of \$3,875.00 to provide enhancement to the school curriculum to support school improvement plan.

Juanita Schools Foundation to Juanita Elementary in the amount of \$1,893.00 to provide support for stipend to be determined by building.

Audubon Elementary PTSA to Audubon Elementary in the amount of \$4,700.00 to fund field trips (\$3,500); assemblies (\$1,200).

Louisa May Alcott Elementary to Alcott Elementary in the amount of \$6,668.00 to provide bus rental (\$3,000); supplemental supplies and printing (\$1,635); ACT Club stipend.

The donations totaled \$67,238.62.

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NON-CONSENT
AGENDA

Doug Eglington reviewed the legislative priorities identified by the WSSDA Legislative Assembly in Yakima; they are similar to the ones established by the PTSA.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Dr. Kimball presented a report on the district's preschool programs. He reviewed the history of the program and the recent changes in funding and demographics. Recommendations will be developed and reviewed by March.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Jackie Pendergrass related that the board would be holding a special board meeting on October 17, 6:00 p.m., to discuss/identify issues for the upcoming legislative session. Also she made contact with the directors of school support to tour schools.

BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS

Doug Eglington related that he provided a board report at the recent PTSA Council meeting.

Doug Eglington moved to adjourn. Seconded by Ravi Shahani.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Jackie Pendergrass, President

Chip Kimball, Superintendent

Diane Jenkins
Recording Secretary