

OFFICIAL
LAKE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 414
Board of Directors' Meeting
April 23, 2007

The Board meeting was called to order by President Pendergrass at 7:00 p.m. She related that a reception was held from 4:00-6:00 p.m. this afternoon to honor Bob Hughes who resigned from the board.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Superintendent Don Saul.

Ravi Shahani requested that tab 5, Site 52 Construction Bid Award, be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Doug Eglington moved to approve the April 23 agenda as amended with tab 5 removed from the consent agenda and considered separately. Seconded by Nancy Bernard.

Motion carried.

Margaret Mead Elementary Principal Shawna Rothaus recognized Margaret Mead 630 K-6 students, parents, and staff and shared information about their programs. There is a focus to help students feel connected in order to ensure academic success. A video was shown depicting many of the activities, leadership opportunities, parent involvement, and enrichment programs offered at Mead Elementary School. Dennis Best, Music Teacher, and students from 2nd to 6th grade sang some musical selections.

HOST SCHOOL

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Shelley Kloba referred to Healthy Youth Act passed by the legislature which may necessitate changes in the district's sex health curriculum.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nancy Bernard moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. Seconded by Doug Eglington.

CONSENT AGENDA

Shahani, yes; Bernard, yes; Eglington, yes; and Pendergrass, yes.

Motion carried.

Approval of the March 19, 2007 minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of April 23, 2007 Human Resources Report.

APPROVAL OF HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

Approval of the following instructional materials for use in the Lake Washington schools:

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS ADOPTION

Title: Life of Pi
Author: Yann Martel
Publisher: Harcourt/Harvest
Copyright: 2001
No. of Copies: 350 (already approved for 10th grade and above, this request is for 9th grade)
Price: \$10.50 ea
School Requesting: District wide
Classification: Language Arts, Grade 9

Title: For One More Day
Author: Mitch Albom
Publisher: Hyperion
Copyright: 2006
No. of Copies: undetermined at this time
Price: \$20 ea
School Requesting: Redmond High School, Grade 11
Classification: English

Acceptance from Robert Frost PTSA, \$1,932.90 for "Read Naturally" software.

DONATIONS

Acceptance from Christa McAuliffe PTSA, \$1,450.00 {One Minute Reader Materials (\$500), Special Needs Grant (\$350), and Safety Patrol Grant (\$600)}.

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Acceptance from Lake Washington Schools Foundation, \$2,969.98 {Musical Equipment (\$1,475.49) and Accelerated Reader Curriculum (\$1,494.19) for John Muir Elementary }.

Acceptance from Samantha Smith PTSA, \$12,000.00 for climbing wall installation @ Samantha Smith.

Acceptance from Albert Einstein PTSA, \$1,235.00 for Nature Connections Programs @ Einstein.

Acceptance from Inglewood PTSA, \$1,400.00 for supplemental health curriculum materials for 8th grade @ Inglewood.

Acceptance from Pemco Insurance, \$1,500.00 Golden Apple Award for Redmond High School.

Acceptance from Gifted Education Advisory Council (GEAC), \$1,099.00 for site license for Ultra Fractal & Animation Edition software.

Approval of the monitoring report for Board Policy EL-17, Facilities, as presented at the March 19, 2007 Board Meeting

APPROVAL OF
MONITORING REPORT
EL -17, FACILITIES

Approval of the 2007-2010 District Technology Plan required by the State of Washington.

TECHNOLOGY PLAN
2007-2010

Ravi Shahani expressed concern with only one bid being received for Site 52, the new elementary school construction project. Forrest Miller responded and reviewed the steps taken by the district to improve bid climate.

SITE 52 NEW
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
CONSTRUCTION
AWARD

Nancy Bernard moved to authorize the superintendent to enter into a contract with Kassel Construction, Inc. for the construction of the Site 52 New Elementary School in the amount of \$16,100,000 (plus sales tax) without the bid alternate. The motion was seconded by Ravi Shahani.

Motion carried.

Director of Teaching and Learning Traci Pierce presented the recommendations of the Instructional Materials Committee.

- Grades 9:
Literature and the Language Arts – World Literature
(EMC Masterpiece)
- Grade 10:
Prentice Hall Literature – World Masterpieces Penguin Edition
(Prentice Hall)

Northstar teacher Vincent Noto reviewed the 9th grade selection and Juanita Teacher Laurie Chesley reviewed the 10th grade selection. They responded to board questions.

Doug Eglington moved to approve the Textbook Adoption for Secondary Language Arts for grades 9 and 10 as presented. Seconded by Ravi Shahani.

Motion carried.

Director of Student Services Cindy Lundvall presented an exception to the administrative procedure KG-R, section 6, to permit certified and approved student traffic safety education providers to rent district facilities following district facility use procedures. She responded to board questions.

DISTRICT TEXTBOOK
ADOPTION

FACILITY USE -
EXCEPTION
COMMERCIAL DRIVING
SCHOOLS

Ravi Shahani moved to approve an exception to the administration procedures KG-R, to permit certified and approved traffic safety education providers to rent district facilities. Seconded by Doug Eglinton.

Motion carried.

Director of Teaching and Learning Julie Drennon presented the monitoring report for EL-18, Technology.

MONITOR BOARD
POLICY – EL-18,
TECHNOLOGY

Board questions, comments, and discussion followed.

Deputy Superintendent Janene Fogard presented a report on I-728 including original recommendations on what funds have been used for, results to date, and plans for next school year. The public hearing was opened

PUBLIC HEARING I-728
PLAN

Chris Carlson, Lakeview parent, noted that professional development funds were increasing faster than funds set aside for reducing class size.

Doug Eglinton provided an update on the closing of the legislative session. He highlighted some of the accomplishments such as the approval of a simple majority for school levies which will be submitted to the voters. Jackie Pendergrass noted additional legislation affecting education.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Don Saul highlighted receipt of the 2007 Walter Taylor Award for design of Ben Franklin School presented at the recent AASA Conference. Also, he indicated that Lake Washington received notification from OSPI for noteworthy academic achievement for 2005-06 by reducing by 10% the number of students from one school year to the next in 4th grade writing, 7th grade writing, 10th grade reading, 10th grade writing, and 10th grade mathematics.

SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT

Doug Eglington requested that pursuing membership in the Chicago Climate Exchange be explored. Nancy Bernard asked about possible financial impact to the district. She pointed out that the district has been very proactive in reducing energy usage and promoting conservation measures. Concern was expressed if the district could legally participate in this type of partnership; this will be explored.

FUTURE AGENDA
ITEMS

Jackie Pendergrass conveyed that the B/CR and GP surveys need to be reviewed and discussed.

Jackie Pendergrass thanked Sodexo for providing breakfast to students during WASL.

BOARD MEMBER
COMMENTS

The board discussed and finalized the interview process. Candidates will be interviewed in a special board meeting to be held on April 25; interviews would be scheduled in 1 hour intervals; all applicants will be interviewed. The board reviewed the interview questions.

UPDATE ON
INTERVIEW PROCESS
FOR BOARD
CANDIDATES

Doug Eglington moved to adjourn.
Seconded by Nancy Bernard.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Jackie Pendergrass, President

Don Saul, Superintendent

Diane Jenkins
Recording Secretary

