

OFFICIAL MINUTES
LAKE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 414
Board of Directors' Meeting
April 20, 2009

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Superintendent Chip Kimball.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion carried.

Curtis Anderson, Principal of Bell Elementary, described the programs that make a difference for their diverse student population. Because of their demographics, they employ many intervention strategies. Staff works hard to develop a school culture around problem-solving and esteem building. He expressed his appreciation to the Lake Washington School Foundation for their support through grants and highlighted the strong partnership with community to volunteer countless hours for the lunch buddy program, mentoring, etc. Staff works hard to make everyone feel welcomed and valued at Bell. He showed a video depicting various programs at the school.

HOST SCHOOL

Todd Peterson, Jim Thomas, Fernando Larios, and Bruce Bishop, Rose Hill Jr. High staff members, shared their concerns with the selection process for Rose Hill Jr. Principal. Dr. Kimball explained the process that was used.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lisa Van Enkevort sought information on the deadline for submitting input on the budget. She hoped that decisions would be made based on research. She noted that exercise improves cognitive functions and encouraged the district to retain sport programs and keep Juanita pool open.

Tracy Hoein, Executive Director, Lake Washington Schools Foundation, extended an invitation for the community to participate in the Lake Washington Schools Foundation Annual Luncheon to be held on May 13 at the Juanita High School Fieldhouse.

Dwight Davis, Bob Guild, Dawn Maurer, and Blair Jordan expressed their support for keeping the Juanita Pool open for use by students and the community. Dr. Kimball acknowledged the value of the pool but explained the operating and capital costs associated with the pool; it is an item that is being considered in light of the budget cuts that are needed. The district is working with outside groups who are interested in managing the pool. Chris Carlson raised the option of creating junior taxing districts.

Wendy Delong, PTSA Council President, noted that schools districts from across the nation are facing budget cuts; "we are not alone." She provided an update on the status of the SB 2261 and felt that this was a positive beginning.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Jackie Pendergrass, yes; Doug Eglington, yes; Ravi Shahani, yes; and Chris Carlson, yes.

Motion carried.

The following March 2009 vouchers were approved:

VOUCHERS

General Fund

317653-318586 \$5,655,133.56

Payroll

928-983 \$52,884.99

Payroll Direct Deposit	\$7,594,383.09
U.S. Savings Bond Transfer	1,450.00
Electronic Payroll Tax Withdrawal	2,669,459.48
Flex Spending	54,506.50
Electronic Vision (NBN)	79,071.70
Electronic Long Term Disability	4,521.76
School Employees Credit Union	143,213.10
Dept. of Retirement Systems	1,017,731.44
Dept. of Retirement Systems	614,650.49
Deferred Comp	68,257.00
TSA Envoy	238,635.98

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APP FUEL	66,393.01
Acquisition Card	<u>982,025.72</u>
	\$13,534,299.27

<u>Capital Projects</u>	
28134-28194	\$2,668,450.82

<u>ASB</u>	
46328-46568	\$172,648.31

<u>PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST</u>	
539-567	\$1,498.33

Approves March 16, 2009 minutes.

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Approves April 20, 2009 Human Resources Report.

APPROVAL OF HUMAN
RESOURCES REPORT

Approves the following instructional materials for use in
 the Lake Washington Schools -

INSTRUCTIONAL
MATERIALS ADOPTION

Title: Music in Education (software)
Author: Brian Moor, Kathy Punwar, Lauren Altieri
Publisher: Yamaha
Copyright: 2008
No. of Copies 450
Price: \$0.00, PTSA Grant
School Requesting: Smith Elementary
Classification: Elementary Music

Title: Glencoe Accounting
Author: Gurrieri, Habber, Hoyt, and Turner
Publisher: Glencoe
Copyright: 2007
No. of Copies 65
Price: \$66.00
School Requesting: Eastlake High School
Classification: 10-12 Business

Title: Forensic Science, Fundamentals and Education
Author: Anthony Bertino
Publisher: Cengage Learning
Copyright: 2009
No. of Copies 25
Price: \$78.00 (paid by grant)
School Requesting: Futures
Classification: 10-12 Science

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Title: Touching Spirit Bear
Author: Ben Mikaelson
Publisher: Harper Collins
Copyright: 2002
No. of Copies: 120
Price: \$11.10
School Requesting: Inglewood Junior High
Classification: Grade 8, Language Arts and Social Studies

Authorizes the Superintendent to enter into an Interdistrict Cooperative Agreement with Northshore School District to provide sludge removal services from Wilder Elementary School.

INTERLOCAL
AGREEMENT WITH
NORTHSHORE SCHOOL
DISTRICT SLUDGE
REMOVAL SERVICES

Adopts Resolution No. 2034 to accept the work of Kassel Construction Inc. for the new construction of Site 52 Rachel Carson Elementary School.

CARSON ELEMENTARY
FINAL ACCEPTANCE,
RESOLUTION NO. 2034

Approves the selection of Mahlum Architects as the architectural firm for the modernization of John Muir Elementary School located within unincorporated King County and authorizes the superintendent or designee to enter into a contract with Mahlum Architects.

ARCHITECT
SELECTION, MUIR
ELEMENTARY

Adopts Resolution No. 2035 which provides the certification required by the Superintendent of Public Instruction for the submission of an application to construct a new facility at Finn Hill Junior High.

NEW CONSTRUCTION
IN LIEU OF
MODERNIZATION
FINN HILL JUNIOR
HIGH SCHOOL,
RESOLUTION NO. 2035

Adopts Resolution No. 2036 which provides the certification required by the Superintendent of Public Instruction for the submission of an application to construct a new facility at John Muir Elementary.

NEW CONSTRUCTION
IN LIEU OF
MODERNIZATION
MUIR ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL, RESOLUTION
NO. 2036

Approves the monitoring report for Board Policy GP-1 (Governance Commitment), GP-2 (Governing Style), GP-3 (Board Job Description), GP-4 (Monitoring Board Governance Process and Board-CEO Relationship Policies), and GP-5 President's Role), GP-6 (Board Committee Principles), GP-7 (Committee Structure), GP-8 (Annual Agenda Planning), GP-9 (Board Members' Code of Conduct), GP-10 (Board Member Conflict of Interest), GP-11 (Process for Addressing Board Member Violations), and GP-12 (Handling Requests or Complaints).

MONITOR BOARD
POLICY, GP-1-12

Approves the monitoring report for Board Policy B/CR-1 (Governance-Management Connection), B/CR-2 (Unity of Control), B/CR-3 (Accountability of the CEO), B/CR-4 (Delegation to the CEO, and B/CR-5 (Monitoring CEO Performance).

MONITOR BOARD
POLICY, B/CR 1-5

Accepts the donations/grants as identified -

DONATIONS

Acceptance from Rose Hill PTSA to Rose Hill Elementary in the amount of \$7,832.00 to support lunch buddy program (\$2,000), teacher enrichment (\$1,047); stipend for new website (\$1,735), student assemblies (\$1,550), and field trips (\$1,500).

Acceptance from Rachel Carson PTSA to Carson Elementary in the amount of \$2,300.00 to provide stipend for after-school choir instruction.

Acceptance from Explorer Parent Association to Explorer in the amount of \$1,006.50 to provide stipend for support of Explorer camp.

Acceptance from Emily Dickinson PTSA to Dickinson Elementary in the amount of \$2,859.00 to provide stipend for support of math club (\$1,006.00) and contract for wetlands clean-up (\$1,853.00).

Acceptance from Peter Kirk PTSA to Kirk Elementary in the amount of \$1,725.55 to provide grant.

Acceptance from Lake Washington High School Baseball Booster Club to Lake Washington High in the amount of \$1,774.80 to provide stipend for baseball.

Acceptance from Environmental and Adventure School (EAS) PTO to EAS in the amount of \$5,000.00 to purchase camping supplies.

Acceptance from Lakeview PTA to Lakeview Elementary in the amount of \$7,013.00 to provide stipend for before-school reading program (\$2,013), teacher training programs and substitutes (\$5,000).

Acceptance from A.G. Bell PTSA to Bell Elementary in the amount of \$2,500.00 to support math activities.

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Acceptance from Albert Einstein PTSA to Einstein Jr. High in the amount of \$6,252.50 to support directories (\$527.50), Nature Vision Program (\$2,015), choir stipend (\$1,980), and field trips (\$1,730).

Acceptance from Renaissance School PTSA to Renaissance in the amount of \$1,150.00 to support field trip to Golden Acrobats performance and bus transportation.

Acceptance from Carl Sandburg PTSA to Sandburg Elementary in the amount of \$9,121.08 to provide scholarships (\$1,150.00) and support field trip for outdoor education program (\$7,971.08).

Acceptance from Samantha Smith PTSA to Smith Elementary in the amount of \$25,064.55 to purchase Yamaha piano lab.

Acceptance from Christa McAuliffe PTSA to McAuliffe Elementary School in the amount of \$1,899.00 to provide stipends for field trip (\$900) and safety patrol (\$999) coordinators.

TOTAL \$74,497.98

NON-CONSENT
AGENDA

INITIATIVE 728 PUBLIC
HEARING

Dan Phelan, Chief Academic Officer, presented the I-728 plan for 2009-10. I-728 was passed in 2000 to provide class size reduction, extended learning opportunities, professional development, early childhood programs, etc. The Senate recently supported reducing I-728 funding by 93% and the House budget by 66%. The final amounts will be determined pending adoption of the State Budget. He reviewed the initial recommendations of the task force and explained how the district has spent these funds.

Chip Kimball conveyed that 71% of the voters supported I-728 and yet it could be suspended by the legislature. The percentage of the general fund spent on education has declined over the years. The I-728 recommendations for 2009-10 will be dependent on the outcome of the State Budget and district budget process.

Jackie Pendergrass opened the public hearing for public comment on the I-728 plan for 2009-10.

Nancy Bernard moved to approve the approve the I-728 plan as presented. Seconded by Doug Eglington.

Motion carried.

Chip Kimball noted that the board approved Resolution No. 1940, authorizing the Superintendent to join the School Districts' Alliance and to pursue a lawsuit against the State of Washington as a part of the effort to improve special education funding.

At the May 7, 2007 board meeting, the board authorized the Superintendent to pursue appeal of the trial court's decision in the special education funding case (School Districts' Alliance for Adequate Funding of Special Education et al. v. State of Washington et al. No. 04 2 02000 7 (Thurston County Superior Court)). On March 10, 2009, the State Court of Appeals issued its decision in the first phase of that appeal and it affirmed the trial court decision. He supported continuing the appeal.

Doug Eglington moved to authorize the Superintendent to continue to pursue the lawsuit through appeal in School Districts' Alliance for Adequate Funding of Special Education et al. v. State of Washington case. Seconded by Ravi Shahani.

The board discussed this issue and considered the various ramifications.

The motion carried with Nancy Bernard abstaining and Chris Carlson voting nay.

Chip Kimball indicated that the board policies have been changed to reflect current practices. The board reviewed the policies and made additional revisions. These policies will be presented for approval at the May 4 regular board meeting.

- ✓ GP-2, Governing Style
- ✓ GP-2-E2, School Board Elections/Board Member
- ✓ Qualifications
- ✓ GP-2-E3, Regular Board Meetings/Special Board Meetings/Executive Sessions
- GP-3, Board Job Description
- ✓ ~~GP-4, Governance Process (deleting)~~
- ✓ GP-5, President's Role
- ✓ GP-6, Board Committee Principles
- ✓ ~~GP-7, Committee Structure (deleting)~~

CONTINUATION TO
PURSUE SPECIAL
EDUCATION LAWSUIT
THROUGH APPEAL

BOARD POLICIES -
FIRST READING

GP-2; GP-2-E2;
GP-2-E3; GP-3;
~~GP-4 (DELETING);~~
GP-5; GP-6; AND ~~GP-7,~~
(DELETING)

Chip Kimball provided an update on the district budget process. To date, over 700 people have participated in the public forums held throughout the district to gather input on the priorities of cuts to be made to the district budget. He reviewed the remaining public forums. He noted that input was also gathered via the district's website. All of the input will be shared with the District Advisory Representative Team (DART) who will then develop recommendations and present them to the superintendent. Based on the input received from the staff, community, and the board, he will develop the budget. In June, there will be a public hearing on the budget with the final adoption in August. May 15 is the deadline to notify certificated employees; this may have to be done prior to the legislature adopting a final budget.

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Doug Eglington indicated that the legislature is racing against the clock to develop a budget by the end of the session, April 26. He provided highlights of the basic education reform bill which passed the Senate by three votes. It does not include funding but defines basic education.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Jackie Pendergrass highlighted the upcoming board meeting schedule.

BOARD COMMENTS

Nancy Bernard moved to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. Seconded by Chris Carlson.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Ravi Shahani, Vice President

Chip Kimball, Superintendent

Diane Jenkins
Recording Secretary