

OFFICIAL MINUTES  
LAKE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 414  
Board of Directors' Meeting  
April 19, 2010

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, Nancy Bernard, Doug Eglington, and Chris Carlson.

ROLL CALL

Present: Superintendent Chip Kimball.

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

APPROVAL OF  
AGENDA

Motion carried.

Franklin Elementary Principal Kim Fricke and staff highlighted the mission and vision at Franklin. There are 512 students and 46 staff members. They house a full-time Quest program. They highlighted their academic program and shared their cycle of inquiry - analyze data, plan, instruct, and assess. The Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) is at the core of everything they do - professional development, instruction/assessment/ decision-making, budget, etc. Mrs. Shelley, teacher, explained how writing was improved using this process. Mr. Howden, teacher, described "deprivitization" of the classroom - how teachers open up their classrooms to other teachers, parents, etc. Franklin partners with many organizations to support the "whole student." Over 200 volunteers support their school. They thanked their PTA for their support.

HOST SCHOOL

Janette Cimburek, Academic Games, National Academic League, highlighted their season. A new school was invented, Red Rose - a combination of students from Redmond and Rose Hill. These students won the district championship and went on to national competition. She presented the students with their trophy and thanked the students, parents, and coaches.

RECOGNITION -

ACADEMIC GAMES

MIKE TOWN, 2010 GREEN  
PRIZE IN PUBLIC  
EDUCATION, THE NEA  
FOUNDATION

Chip Kimball announced that Mike Town was today awarded the inaugural Green Prize In Public Education from the National Education Association (NEA) Foundation which includes a \$25,000 award and national recognition. \$1,000 was donated to Redmond High School. Mike Town was selected to receive this honor for his Cool School Challenge program and curriculum that has helped

students, teachers, and school districts reduce carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas emissions in over 150 schools. A video was shown which highlighted the Cool School Challenge.

Cheryl Lewis, Lake Washington PTSA Council, indicated that at the April 8 General PTSA meeting, elections were held for PTSA offices. She will continue to serve as PTSA President. She noted that because of the economy, several PTSAs units are struggling to find volunteers. She was very appreciative that the district will not be making additional budget cuts this year.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Byron Shultz, Lake Washington Schools Foundation, extended an invitation to attend the upcoming Legacy for Learning Luncheon to be held on April 28. Over 500 community leaders will be present. This event will help to raise funds to support academic excellence through teacher and classroom grants.

Bob Yoeder encouraged the board members to take a more active role in "selling the bond" issue to the community by visiting their communities, writing letters to the editor, attending more city hall meetings, etc.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Motion carried.

The following March 2010 vouchers were approved:

APPROVAL OF  
VOUCHERS

<u>General Fund</u>	
326895-327727	\$4,546,198.38
<u>Payroll</u>	
1522-1565	\$50,759.52
Acquisition Card	1,132,480.54
APP FUEL	78,428.69
Deferred Comp	68,218.00
Department of Revenue	4,650.23

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Dept. of Retirement Systems	764,118.53
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Flex Spending	49,851.77
Long Term Disability	4,301.67
Payroll Direct Deposit	7,644,704.24
Payroll Tax Withdrawal	2,750,354.07
School Employees Credit Union	139,997.92
Sodexho	46,426.00
TSA Envoy	231,382.82
U.S. Savings Bond Transfer	950.00
VEBA	10,729.95
Vision/(NBN)	<u>74,519.92</u>
	\$13,620,844.10
<u>Capital Projects</u>	
29000-29066	\$4,433,811.64
<u>ASB</u>	
48712-48975	\$190,002.82
<u>Transportation Vehicle Fund</u>	
42-43	\$174,592.98
<u>Private Purpose Trust Fund</u>	
724-752	\$3,481.50

Approval of March 15 regular board meeting and March 15 work session.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of April 19, 2010 Human Resources.

APPROVAL OF HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

Approves the 2010-2013 District Technology Plan as required by the State of Washington.

2010-2010 TECHNOLOGY PLAN

Accepts the donations/grants as identified -

DONATIONS

Acceptance from Lake Washington Schools Foundation to John Muir Elementary in the amount of \$1,494.60 to purchase library books.

Acceptance from Juanita Schools Foundation to various schools/programs in the amount of \$1,380.00 to support Academic Games (\$160) and lunch buddy program to Red El, Mann, Muir, Kirk, Einstein, Rose Hill El, and general lunch buddy fund (\$1,220).

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Acceptance from Juanita Rebels Booster Club to Juanita High School in the amount of \$2,628.00 to construct and purchase chain link storage cage.

Acceptance from Juanita Elementary PTA to Juanita Elementary in the amount of \$3,500.00 to support field trips.

Acceptance from Lake Washington High School PTSA to Lake Washington High School in the amount of \$2,200.00 to support Latino College Prep Club, Drama, and Future Business Leaders of America programs (\$1,100) and field trip to Museum of Flight (\$800) and purchase cooking supplies for Transition Special Needs.

Acceptance from Albert Einstein PTSA to Einstein Elementary in the amount of \$1,800.00 to purchase SRA reading labs for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades.

Acceptance from Eastlake High School Baseball Booster Club to Eastlake High School in the amount of \$7,099.20 to provide two coaching stipends.

Acceptance from Eastlake High School PTSA to Eastlake High School in the amount of \$8,156.00 to purchase cafeteria tables and chairs (\$8,156) and readerboard (\$15,000).

Acceptance from Carl Sandburg PTSA to Sandburg Elementary School in the amount of \$11,350.06 to provide reimbursement for PTSA supplies (\$1,700), support outdoor education program (\$6,813.72) and field trips (\$1,296.34), provide outdoor education scholarships (\$1,540).

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

Acceptance from Peter Kirk PTSA to Kirk Elementary in the amount of \$5,000.00 to support 6<sup>th</sup> grade enrichment (\$1,500) and field trips (\$3,500).

Acceptance from Lake Washington High School Baseball Booster Club in the amount of \$1,775.00 to provide .5 coaching stipend.

Acceptance from Kirkland Jr. High PTSA to Kirkland Jr. High in the amount of \$2,000.00 to support field trips (\$700) and SciMaTech (\$350) and Choice and Consequences (\$750) programs and purchase library materials (\$200).

Acceptance from Louisa May Alcott PTSA to Alcott Elementary in the amount of \$993.17 to purchase Accelerated Reader Program materials.

**TOTAL \$66,875.03**

NON-CONSENT  
AGENDA

Dan Phelan, Chief Academic Officer, related that state law requires that the district hold a hearing on the expenditures of I-728. The final budget was passed by the legislature eliminating all I-728 monies. I-728 was authorized by a statewide initiative and passed by over 75% of the voters in King County. This funds were used to reduce class size, professional development, early childhood programs, extended learning opportunities, etc. He reported on how those monies were spent last year.

INITIATIVE I-728 –  
PUBLIC HEARING

Chip Kimball related that the district is required to hold a public hearing. He noted that because of the importance of class size, safety net programs, staff development, the district will find ways to continue these endeavors.

Jackie Pendergrass expressed concern what will happen when federal stimulus monies disappear.

The public hearing was opened. No public comment was provided.

MONITORING BOARD  
POLICY –

Chip Kimball presented EL-16, Asset Protection. He noted that there were no areas out of compliance and asked if there were any questions. Additional information was requested on the training that is provided.

EL-16, ASSET  
PROTECTION

Chip Kimball presented EL-17, Facilities. He noted that there were no areas out of compliance and responded to board members questions. Additional information was requested regarding change orders.

EL-17, FACILITIES

Chip Kimball provided a status report on the State budget and the impact to the district. He indicated that the State legislature wrangled with the \$2.8 billion deficit and developed a budget. This budget reflected \$3.6 million in budget cuts to the district; however, they also passed levy protection and levy lift bills which will help to offset these cuts. He expressed his concern that the legislature is not fulfilling its fundamental duty to fully fund education when it is requiring local communities to pay more. He continued and noted that because of the capacity built into the existing levy, it would be his recommendation not to go back to the voters to seek the 1.5% available capacity for this year. It is not known how much additional capacity could be available in future years and he would make a recommendation later at that time.

SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT

Jackie Pendergrass thanked Janene Fogard, Barbara Posthumus, and Chip Kimball for their foresight in the development of the levy and budget.

Doug Eglington recapped the 2010 Legislative Session. He reviewed the new taxes to be placed on cigarettes, beer, bottled water, candy, gum and other tax changes. He highlighted other changes in the budget: staffing, class size, levy equalization, elimination of the extra LID day. He noted that the per pupil inflator was set at 4%. There will be a study to review consolidation of districts under 5,000 students. A major part of the budget deals with the new jobs act which will release \$500 million in State bonds for capital facilities for schools districts and higher education. This will change the State bond rating and will increase the cost of district bonds.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Doug Eglington continued and related that Washington State School Directors' Association (WSSDA) is putting together the legislative proposals to be considered. He solicited suggestions for legislative proposals.

Jackie Pendergrass and Doug Eglington attended the National School Board Association (NSBA) Conference held on April 9-12 in Chicago. Jackie highlighted some of the workshops she attended. No Child Left Behind is up for renewal and NSBA has a blueprint based on President Obama's remarks. There are many concerns, especially those impacting low-performing schools; punitive measures are being discussed. She encouraged board members to contact their legislators since congressional committee meetings are currently being held. Doug Eglington referenced one of the workshops that he attended on testing/assessment by Diane Ravitch who wrote the book The Secret of Success and High Test Scores. She made a compelling case that No Child Left Behind is not the road to school reform and is not necessarily in the best interest of our community. Jackie Pendergrass noted that she has done a 180 degree turn around based on research at the national level.

BOARD COMMENT

Doug Eglington reported that the King County Director's Association Purchasing Cooperative has received a clean audit from the State Auditor's Office.

Chris Carlson moved to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Seconded by Nancy Bernard.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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Jackie Pendergrass, President

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Chip Kimball, Superintendent

Diane Jenkins  
Recording Secretary