

OFFICIAL MINUTES
LAKE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 414
Board of Directors' Meeting
September 13, 2010

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Superintendent Chip Kimball.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion carried.

Megan Spaulding, Mann Principal, introduced Nancy Pfaff, one of two candidates for the Presidential Award for Excellence in Math and Science. On behalf of the board, she was presented a certificate for her achievement.

RECOGNITION

Byron Schutz, President, Citizens Levy Committee, a volunteer committee, is looking forward to renewing their efforts. He requested volunteers to step forward to help with the many tasks of the levy committee to build strong schools. He thanked local businesses, vendors, and community members for their continued support.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ajay Joshi and Logan Heine, Kamiakin students, requested that \$1,400 each be provided for an online learning French class.

Susan Wilkins expressed her concern with the hazardous walking conditions in the Mann attendance area and requested bus transportation be provided.

Terri Blier, President, and Doug Seto, Executive Director, Lake Washington Schools Foundation, highlighted the grants provided to the district, school, classroom and individual levels. The total grants provided last year was \$138,595; over 12,000 students have been impacted. He expressed his appreciation to the support from corporate sponsors, local businesses, and community members. Last year's annual fundraising luncheon broke the record in both attendance and giving. He thanked the board for their support of the Foundation.

Nancy Bernard moved to approve the consent agenda .
Seconded by Ravi Shahani.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Motion carried.

Approval of minutes from the Aug. 9 work session and
regular board meeting and Aug. 23 work session and special
board meeting.

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Approval of September 13, 2010 Human Resources Report.

APPROVAL OF HUMAN
RESOURCES REPORT

Authorizes the Superintendent to enter into an Interdistrict
Cooperative Agreement with Snohomish School District to
provide an educational program not otherwise available.

SNOHOMISH SCHOOL
DISTRICT, SERVICES FOR
STUDENTS WITH
DISABILITIES, ANNUAL
RENEWAL, 2010-2011

APPROVAL OF
MONITORING REPORTS

Approves the monitoring report for EL-11, Staff Treatment,
as presented at the August 9, 2010 board meeting.

EL-11 STAFF
TREATMENT

Approves the monitoring report for EL-14,
Budgeting/Financial Planning, as presented at the August 9,
2010 board meeting.

EL-14, BUDGETING/
FINANCIAL PLANNING

Approves the monitoring report for EL-15, Financial
Administration, as presented at the August 9, 2010 board
meeting.

EL-15, FINANCIAL
ADMINISTRATION

Hears the second reading and approves the proposed
modifications to the following board policies: GP-1,
Governance Commitment; GP-3, Board Job Description; GP-
5, Board Committee Principles; GP-6, Annual Agenda
Planning; GP-8, Annual Agenda Planning; GP-9, Process for
Addressing Board Member Violations; and GP-10, Handling
Requests or Complaints.

BOARD POLICIES -
GOVERNANCE PROCESS
(GP), GP-1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, AND
10, SECOND READING/
APPROVAL

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Hears the second reading and approves the proposed modifications to the following board policies: B/CR 1, Governance-Management Connection; B/CR 2, Unity of Control; and /CR 3, Accountability of the CEO..

Approves change orders No. 19, 20 and 21 to Lydig Construction Inc. for work at the Lake Washington High School Modernization in combined amount of \$216,114.00 increasing the contract amount to \$58,480,304.00.

Accepts the donations/grants as identified -

Acceptance from Juanita Schools Foundation to Juanita Elementary in the amount of \$8,100.00 to support the volunteer program.

Acceptance from Juanita Schools Foundation to various schools in the amount of \$1,895.00 to support lunch buddy program at Lakeview (\$90), Kirk (\$90), Redmond El (\$1,175), Einstein (\$160), and general district (\$380).

Acceptance from Norman Rockwell PTA to Rockwell Elementary in the amount of \$6,800.00 to support Emergency Preparedness (\$1,500), purchasing recess equipment (\$2,000) and playground equipment (\$3,300).

Acceptance from Rose Hill Elementary PTSA to Rose Hill Elementary in the amount of \$20,615.00 to support assemblies (\$2,500), field trips (\$2,500), general school support (\$5,000), student helper appreciation program (\$350) and resident artist program (\$5,000); purchase AR Testing materials (\$328), Children's Choice library materials (\$250), Sasquatch Reading (\$153), musical instruments (\$1,525), emergency supplies (\$500), and first day folders (\$500); and provide stipends for intramural sports (\$1006) and choir (\$503).

Acceptance from Ben Rush PTA to Rush Elementary in the amount of \$1,007.99 to purchase supplemental Kindergarten reading books.

Acceptance from John Muir Elementary PTA to Muir Elementary in the amount of \$1,848.36 to purchase two-way radios.

Acceptance from Redmond Region Orchestra Boosters to Lake Washington School District Orchestra Programs in the amount of \$2,800.00 to support Lake Washington School District orchestra programs.

TOTAL \$43,066.35

Jackie Pendergrass shared a breakdown of the donations approved by the board last year. The district received over \$1 million in donations last year. For the last five-year

BOARD POLICIES -
BOARD/CEO
RELATIONSHIP (B/CR),
B/CR 1-3, SECOND
READING APPROVAL

CHANGE ORDER NOS. 19,
20, AND 21 LAKE
WASHINGTON HIGH
SCHOOL

DONATIONS

period, over \$4.5 million was received. She noted that this was only for donations greater than \$1,000. She pointed out that this does not include the countless hours donated by volunteers which is "priceless."

The board discussed proposed revisions to Board Policies EL-1-16 as listed below. These will be presented for first reading at the September 27, 2010 board meeting.

- ✓ EL-1, Global Executive Constraint
- ✓ EL-2, Emergency CEO Succession
- ✓ EL-3, Communication and Counsel to the Board
- ✓ EL-4, Annual Report to the Public
- ✓ EL-5, Treatment of Parents and Citizens
- ✓ EL-6, Student Learning Environment
- ✓ EL-7, Instructional Program
- ✓ EL-8, Instructional Materials Selection
- ✓ EL-9, District Calendar
- ✓ EL-10, Student Discipline
- ✓ EL-11, District Staff
- ✓ EL-12, Budgeting/Financial Planning
- ✓ EL-13, Financial Administration
- ✓ EL-14, Asset Protection
- ✓ EL-15, Facilities
- ✓ EL-16, Technology

Chip Kimball reported that over 600 students more than last year were here on opening day; 400 more students than budgeted. The district is grappling with handling the overcrowding; grade configuration will help provide some relief. Several strategies will be implemented to address this.

He continued and reported that the bond sale was completed in accordance with guidelines specified in the board approved resolution. Based on the district's fiscal stability, the district received high bond ratings, Aaa from Moody's and Aa from Standards and Poors. \$120,000,000 million in bonds were sold in two different bond packages, tax exempt and American Recovery Act (ARA). Over the life of the bonds, the district will save \$9 million.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

BOARD POLICIES -
EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS,
EL-1-16 FIRST READING

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

He reported on the impact of fees on athletic participation. Based on the data, overall participation was up slightly at the junior high level and down slightly at the high school. Fee waivers were provided. The district anticipated \$938,000 in revenue and received \$921,000 in revenue. Nancy Bernard asked if data could be provided with tracking an individual student and sport(s). One of the goals is to get more students engaged.

Chip Kimball commented on the new federal and state ethnicity reporting requirements. Each school is required by law to report student data by ethnicity and race categories which are set by the federal government. A letter with a survey form was sent to all parents. Collecting ethnicity and race data is not new, but there are new categories. Washington now has 57 racial categories and will allow a student to check multiple boxes. If students/parents don't make a selection, staff are required to make an educated guess. He shared that some parents complained about the new reporting requirements.

Doug Eglington conveyed that the latest financial projections at the state level is very grim with a \$3.5 billion shortfall for the next two year budget. This is compounded from cuts in previous years. Governor Gregoire has announced for departments to prepare for up to 7% across the board cuts. Nancy Bernard noted that the could be further impacted by various initiatives.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The WSSDA Task Force for Urban/Suburban School Districts is looking for additional committee members. NSBA is looking at the reauthorization of the Child Nutrition Act which relates to free and reduced lunches and nutritional lunches; Janene Fogard will examine this issue and see if the board should provide input.

U.S. Secretary of Education Duncan ordered \$330 million in race to the top money to two consortiums of which Washington State is a member of one.

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Jackie Pendergrass reported on the latest activity of the State Board of Education and their consideration of Core 24. What they decide in September will be submitted for input by stakeholders. Chip Kimball indicated that he will provide a brief to the board on the action of the State Board. Jackie Pendergrass encouraged board members to contact the members of the State Board with their input.

Chip Kimball will provide data on graduation at the next board meeting.

BOARD FOLLOW-UP
ITEMS

Doug Eglington moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Nancy Bernard.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Jackie Pendergrass, President

Chip Kimball, Superintendent

Diane Jenkins
Recording Secretary