

OFFICIAL MINUTES  
LAKE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 414  
Board of Directors' Meeting  
January 9, 2012

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

Members present: Jackie Pendergrass, Doug Eglington, Nancy Bernard, and Siri Bliesner.

Present: Deputy Superintendent Traci Pierce.

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

Motion carried.

Deputy Superintendent Traci Pierce administered the oath of office to Jackie Pendergrass, Chris Carlson, and Siri Bliesner.

Karen Dickens, Principal, showed a video depicting Audubon and the many languages spoken at the school and the various activities/programs. They have 565 enrolled, 14% English Language Learner population of 14. She highlighted their vision and mission statement and the pillars used to support instruction to ensure that all students develop their potential.

Traci Pierce highlighted the proclamation from the Governor's Office proclaiming January as School Board Appreciation month. As volunteers, she thanked each of them for their dedication.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

OATH OF OFFICE

HOST SCHOOL

AUDUBON ELEMENTARY,  
PRINCIPAL KAREN  
DICKENS

RECOGNITION

SCHOOL BOARD  
APPRECIATION

NATIONAL BOARD  
CERTIFIED TEACHERS

Stephen Bryant, Principal on Special Assignment, and Kevin Teeley, President, Lake Washington Education Association, presented certificates to 36 new National Board Certified Teachers. They recognized the facilitators who assisted the teachers. Stephen Bryant pointed out that the Washington State is 4<sup>th</sup> in the United States for having the highest number of National Board Certified Teachers (NBCT). Kevin Teeley referenced research that having this certification is equal to a student having 20 extra days in the classroom. Three years ago, 7% of our teachers were NBC, today it is 13.5%. This has a positive impact on teachers' ability to make a difference. He thanked the board and the district for their continued support of this program. Currently, there are 197 teachers in this district who have received the NBCT certification.

**Kirkland:**

**Discovery Community School:** Monica Engquist

**Franklin Elementary:** Jennifer Dressel; Suzanne Hart, and Lori O'Brien

**International Community School:** Diana Di-Tolla

**Juanita High School:** Nichol Cassaro and Barbara Gorgei-Kalhor

**Keller Elementary:** Cathy Dunbar

**Kirk Elementary:** Alison Underdahl

**Kirkland Junior High:** Ruth Anderson, Susan Buyarski-Crauer, Beau Hansen, and James "Ryan" Palmer

**Lakeview Elementary:** Nancy Knight

**Sandburg Elementary:** Nadia Armstrong, Kacie Brown, Elizabeth Cheatum, and Karla Nelson

**Redmond:**

**Dickinson Elementary:** Karen Kline

**Redmond High School:** Holly Appelgate, Patrick Frable, Robert Miller, and Daniel Pudwill

**Redmond Junior High:** Robert Aguilar

**Rockwell Elementary:** Megan Porter

**Rush Elementary:** Robyn Hodges

**Sammamish:**

**Eastlake High School:** Kalle Andres, Tyrell Hardtke, Sherilynn Skiba, John Stratton, and Cassie Wesson-Mast

**Inglewood Junior High:** Gerald Lenocker, Eric Sambrano, and Heather Tracy

**McAuliffe Elementary:** Anna Jaross

**Smith Elementary:** Kathy Hiles

Traci Pierce and Jackie Pendergrass offered their congratulations and thanked the teachers for making the sacrifice of their time and efforts which will ultimately benefit our students.

Greg Lobdell, Center for Educational Effectiveness (CEE), announced the 99 schools were recipients of the 2011 School of Distinction Award. Three Lake Washington School District schools received this honor - Redmond Elementary School, Smith Elementary School, and The Renaissance School. The schools were recognized for receiving this honor.

SCHOOLS OF  
DISTINCTION

To be considered, schools had to be performing at least at the state average in fourth, seventh and/or tenth grade reading and math assessments, as measured on the Spring 2011 Measures of Student Progress (4th and 7th grade) and High School Proficiency Exam (10th grade). Schools were then evaluated on combined reading and math improvement from 2006 to 2011 based on state assessments. The top five percent of schools are then recognized with the School of Distinction Award.

Caroline Roetcisoender and Jim Allen expressed their support for American Sign Language to be offered in the Lake Washington schools to meet the new graduation requirement for foreign language. Dr. Pierce explained that the board adopted the new graduation requirements in June. She described the district's current program offerings at each of the high schools and exploring next steps to ensure that the district provides a cohesive world language program. Additional course options will be offered beginning in the 2013-14 school year. It will be the district's intent to collect data from parents and neighboring districts to assess staffing and students' needs. Since Lake Washington and Eastlake high schools do not offer three world languages, they will list both Mandarin and ASL in their course catalogue to assess student interest. She noted that the district will implement a competency based policy which will allow students to earn world language credit if they are able to demonstrate competency.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Doug Eglington suggested that world languages could be offered through a cooperative agreement with neighboring school districts.

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Chris Carlson moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded  
by Doug Eglington.

CONSENT AGENDA

Jackie Pendergrass, yes; Doug Eglington, yes; Nancy Bernard,  
yes; and Siri Bliesner.

Motion carried.

The following December 2011 vouchers were approved:

APPROVAL OF  
VOUCHERS

General Fund

336785-337152 \$4,693,694.45

Payroll

2032-2037 \$5,874.88

Accounts Payable Direct Deposit \$ 52,841.10

Acquisition Card 1,177,549.55

Deferred Comp 71,948.00

Department of Revenue 3,952.61

Dept. of Retirement Systems 974,499.96

Dept. of Retirement Systems 624,034.19

Flex Spending 45,648.47

Long Term Disability 3,685.26

Payroll Direct Deposit 7,690,887.70

Payroll Tax Withdrawal 2,534,125.63

School Employees Credit Union 143,050.19

Sodexo 51,056.92

TSA Envoy 235,112.32

VEBA 1,550.56

Vision/(NBN) \$37,539.23

\$13,647,481.69

Capital Projects

31260-31392 \$8,657,540.14

ASB

52828-53025 \$219,161.02

Transportation Vehicle Fund

\$0.00

Private Purpose Trust Fund

1190-1213 \$3,681.27

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Approves minutes of the December 5 regular board meeting and December 5 work session.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approves January 9, 2012 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: Three Victorian Poets  
Author: Jane Ogborn  
Publisher: Cambridge University Press  
Copyright: 1998  
No. of Copies: 30  
Price: \$14.50  
School Requesting: Juanita High School  
Classification: Cambridge IGCSE Grade 10

Title: Stories of Ourselves  
Author: Cambridge University  
Publisher: Cambridge University Press  
Copyright: 2008  
No. of Copies: 30  
Price: \$14.00  
School Requesting: Juanita High School  
Classification: Cambridge IGCSE Grade 10

Title: Second Step: Student Success Through Prevention  
for Middle School  
Author: Committee for Children  
Publisher: Committee for Children  
Copyright: 2008  
No. of Copies: 9 Total middle school sets include grade levels 6, 7, 8  
Price: \$1,000.00 per 7 junior highs plus 2 Behavior Intervention programs = \$9,000.00  
School Requesting: Special Services  
Classification: Middle School special education students

Title: ESGI - Web-Based Subscription  
Author: Greg Gorman  
Publisher: ESGI  
Copyright: 2006  
No. of Copies: 4  
Price: \$175.00 per teacher per year  
School Requesting: Margaret Mead  
Classification: Kindergarten

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Title: Riding Freedom  
Author: Pam Munoz Ryan  
Publisher: Scholastic  
Copyright: 1998  
No. of Copies: 70  
Price: \$5.99  
School Requesting: Carl Sandburg  
Classification: Grade 5

Approves Resolution No. 2117 certifying that the proposed construction of the replacement building for the International Community School and the Community (Elementary) School will not create or aggravate a racial imbalance.

OSPI D-5 RACIAL  
BALANCE COMPLIANCE  
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY  
SCHOOL/COMMUNITY  
(ELEMENTARY) SCHOOL  
RESOLUTION NO. 2117

Approves Change Order No. 1 to Cornerstone General Contractors, Inc. for modernization work at the Helen Keller Elementary School in the amount of \$20,246.00, increasing the contract amount to \$17,234,746.

CHANGE ORDER NO. 1  
HELEN KELLER  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
MODERNIZATION

Approves Change Order No. 3 to Spee West Construction Inc. for work at the Carl Sandburg Elementary School Modernization in the amount of \$3,257.00 increasing the contract amount to \$20,735,693.00.

CHANGE ORDER NO. 3  
CARL SANDBURG  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
MODERNIZATION

Approves Change Order No. 3 to Pellco Construction Inc. for work at the Redmond High School Addition in the amount of \$44,571.00 increasing the contract amount to \$9,787,183.

CHANGE ORDER NO. 3  
REDMOND HIGH SCHOOL  
ADDITION

Approves Change Order No. 43 to Lydig Construction Inc. for work at the Lake Washington High School Modernization in the amount of \$55,245.00 increasing the contract amount to \$60,253,855.

CHANGE ORDER NO. 43  
LAKE WASHINGTON  
HIGH SCHOOL  
MODERNIZATION

Approves the value engineering report for the replacement of Alexander Graham Bell Elementary School.

VALUE ENGINEERING  
REPORT APPROVAL  
ALEXANDER GRAHAM  
BELL ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL REPLACEMENT

Accepts the donations/grants as identified -

DONATIONS

Acceptance from Peter Kirk PTSA to Kirk Elementary in the amount of \$8,500.00 to provide funds for principal enrichment fund to support teacher development (\$5,000) and support grade level field trips (\$3,500).

Acceptance from Redmond Junior High PTSA to Redmond Junior High in the amount of \$4,029.46 to provide six academic enrichment mini-grants (\$4,029.46).

Acceptance from Christa McAuliffe PTSA to McAuliffe Elementary in the amount of \$5,640.00 to provide teacher stipends for outdoor education program (\$3,960) and support STARS Reading Program (\$1,680).

**TOTAL \$18,169.46**

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

TRANSFER OF TERRITORY  
MOTION - CAMDEN PARK  
RESOLUTION NO. 2118

Dr. Traci Pierce related that on March 15, 2011 (*original petition denied*) and August 4, 2011, the district received notification from Puget Sound ESD that a petition to transfer a collection of neighborhoods in the northeast corner of the City of Sammamish (Camden Park neighborhood) from Snoqualmie Valley School District into the Lake Washington School District had been received and validated allowing the territory transfer process to begin.

At the October 10, 2011 board meeting, Jackie Pendergrass and Doug Eglington were appointed to participate in negotiations regarding the proposed transfer of territory in accordance with guidelines for territory transfers. A meeting was held on December 12, 2011 to negotiate the Camden Park territory transfer petition with the representatives from Snoqualmie Valley School District. A report from the negotiating committee was prepared. The members of the negotiating team considered the factors that guide the territory transfer process and recommend that the territory transfer be denied. Jackie Pendergrass and Doug Eglington highlighted the rationale to deny the petition.

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On December 15, 2011, the Snoqualmie Valley School District Board of Directors voted to deny the transfer of territory petition.

Nancy Bernard moved that the Board of Directors approves Resolution No. 2118 to deny the territory transfer of the Camden Park neighborhood from Snoqualmie Valley School District into the Lake Washington School District. Seconded by Doug Eglington.

Motion carried.

Traci Pierce, Deputy Superintendent, presented ER- 1, Mission of Lake Washington School District. She responded to board members questions.

Traci Pierce provided an update on the district's athletic fees. There was a recent article in the Seattle Times which indicated that due to the State budget cuts, many school districts had to implement or increase athletic fees. Lake Washington had the highest athletic fees. She explained that there was an extensive public input process in 2009 to seek input on budget reductions and to identify priorities. The district cut over \$7 million without laying off staff as other districts had to do. Procedures were put in place to provide waivers for low-income students and caps were instilled for families and scholarships offered by PTSA/Booster clubs. She reviewed the participation rates.

She continued that related that the Washington State Supreme Court has ruled that the State is not fulfilling its duty to provide ample funding for education. All 295 school districts endorse this lawsuit. The court's ruling does not require the legislature to have a plan until 2018. Hopefully this will send a strong message and may influence the decisions that will be made in this legislative session.

MONITOR BOARD POLICY

ER-1, MISSION OF LAKE  
WASHINGTON SCHOOL  
DISTRICT

SUPERINTENDENT  
REPORT



Doug Eglington attended the legislative breakfast meeting sponsored by the Eastside Chamber of Commerce; the Court's ruling was discussed. Representative Ross Hunter, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, was there. He provided information on the latest measures being discussed.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

FOLLOW-UP

Chris Carlson asked for an update on middle school sports.

Jackie Pendergrass provided an update on the superintendent search process. She indicated that opportunities have been scheduled at all of the cities, Redmond, Sammamish, and Kirkland, for stakeholders to meet with Dr. Traci Pierce. People can provide feedback at these meetings or via the district's web site.

SUPERINTENDENT  
SEARCH

Nancy Bernard related that Ward Brannman, music teacher at Kamiakin Junior High, was selected as Washington Music Educators Association Middle School/Junior High Music Educator of the Year. Bill Monahan, Eastlake Science Teacher, was selected as the Washington State Science Teacher of the Year.

BOARD COMMENT

Chris Carlson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Doug Eglington

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried.

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

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Jackie Pendergrass, President

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Chip Kimball, Superintendent

Diane Jenkins  
Recording Secretary