

DARRINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Elementary Library
1085 Fir Street
Darrington, WA 98241

TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2019
REGULAR MEETING: 6:30 PM

Call to Order

Dave Holmer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., followed by the flag salute. Other members present: Jennie Requa, Sheila Sisney, Marree Perrault and Erin Green.

Correspondence

None

Approval of Consent Agenda

Sheila made a motion to approve the June 21 Special Meeting and June 25 Regular Board Meeting Consent Agenda with the modification reflecting that the principal's contracts be increased by 2% instead of 1.9% stated in the minutes. Jennie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Regular Agenda

Dave announced Item T would be moved to after Item W. Marree made a motion to approve the Regular Agenda. Jennie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

DISTRICT REPORTS

Elementary:

No Report

High School:

No Report

Special Programs:

No Report

DEA:

Dyanna Armony reports:

- Have had preliminary talk with Buck regarding upcoming SEBB and possible MOA needed

PSE:

Laurie Benson reports:

- Negotiations have wrapped up
- Final contract to be voted on after August 28 Back to School Breakfast

Student Representative:

No Report

Enrollment/Financial Reports:

Buck Marsh reports:

- As expected, June fund balance lower than previous years due to 2019 levy reduction
- Currently at 10.55% of expenditures
- June expenditures higher than previous months due to General Fund debt payments
- Balanced to the County Treasurer

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items:

None

Public Comments on Agenda Items:

Laurie Benson expressed that this is awkward. She said there is confusion and concern that the Board is seeking to renew or not renew the Superintendent's contract asking why they don't wait to see if the potential supplemental levy passes in November and until after the next Board election. She said PSE just negotiated and if ratified would cost the District \$100,000 for 36 Classified employees raises. She stated that Dr. Marsh was hired as the Superintendent/Special Services Director, and when that didn't work out, he was appointed Superintendent/AD. She said he now has one duty with a higher salary. She mentioned that the survey had "not great" results. Dave Holmer said this time was for comments only and not appropriate to comment on specific individual personnel actions. When she asked when was the time, Dave said in Executive Session. He said concerns should be run through the Superintendent and if she didn't feel the issue was addressed, the concerns should be addressed to the Board in writing or emailed to him and he would distribute to other Board members. He stated the Board would be looking at the survey as a stand-alone item and would address it at a later time.

OLD BUSINESS

Policy Update:

Jennie made a motion to approve WSSDA-recommended revised Procedure 2163P. Erin seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

2019-20 Budget Hearing:

Page 37 in the packet shows the 2019-20 budget summary for all funds. We discussed the General Fund budget at the June meeting and the PowerPoint presentation is available on the district website.

The Capital Projects budget includes revenue from the new capital projects levy and expenditures for the approved projects.

The Debt Service budget includes the payoff of the voted bonds that were used to remodel the high school in 2001. The Debt Service fund balance also includes state forest revenue that we will use to pay off the non-voted bonds for the lighting and HVAC controls update.

The ASB budget is determined by the students.

The Transportation Vehicle budget includes expenditure capacity for a new bus.

The four-year budget forecast is on page 41. It reflects the \$400,000 to \$500,000 in cuts that will need to be made in 2020-21 unless a supplemental levy is passed, as we discussed at the June meeting.

Resolution 389-07-19

2019-20 Budget Adoption:

Jennie made a motion to approve Resolution 389-07-19, 2019-20 Budget Adoption. Marree seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2019-20 Athletic Schedules:

Erin made a motion to approve the 2019-20 athletic schedules including potential overnight trips. Dave asked they be proofread prior to finalizing. Sheila seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Curriculum Adoption for High School Math & History:

Erin made a motion to approve the text book adoption for high school Math and History. These were paid for with a rural school's college capacity grant. Marree seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Earthquake Facility Preparedness:

Buck referred to the Everett Herald article and the Washington State Dept. of Natural Resources final report while discussing our buildings in relationship to seismic safety. The report shows the wood shop at a high risk due to non-reinforced masonry and the high school at a moderate-high risk, which could be a better rating if recent plans had been used.

Board Retreat Days:

A board retreat will take place August 31, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Science portable to discuss Superintendent goals, strategic planning and the recent staff survey.

Superintendent Goal Setting:

Buck handed board members papers outlining the two Superintendent goals for 2019-20. Dave asked which standards the goals reflect. Buck said standards 4 and 5. Dave mentioned that there are 8 standards in the Superintendent framework, all of which should be touched on in 3 years.

Gifts to the District:

Marree made a motion to accept the gifts to the district listed on page 54. Erin seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Agreements and Contracts:

Erin made a motion to approve the agreements and contracts on page 55. Sheila seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Personnel Actions:

Sheila made a motion to approve the personnel actions on page 56. Jennie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent 2019-2021 Contract Extension:

Dave explained that the Board voted to extend the Superintendent's contract with correct language rather than an addendum, adding 2020-2021 and reflecting current duties. He said the Board would have to vote again after the first year to extend the contract. He asked that Buck take 5 business days to look at the new contract, which replaces the existing contract. The new contract removes Athletic

Director duties and adds an annual physical as well as language to protect the District. Jennie made a motion to approve the new contract. Sheila seconded. Erin recused herself stating this would be her last meeting as she is resigning to complete her schooling to become a teacher. Motion passed.

Superintendent's Report:

Buck Marsh reports:

- Had a 2-hour productive meeting with Dyanna Armony
- PSE bargaining went well with mutual understanding
- Working on 2 grants; Opioid Response and School Climate Transformation which could increase counseling services
- Discussing how to implement results from Stilly Valley Health Connections survey into community
- Avid Conference on strategic planning valuable-looking forward to big things
- Will be at coaches' clinic in Yakima the rest of this week
- Will be looking into cost of running potential 3rd levy and deciding when to run it


Board Comments:


Marree said she was looking forward to the staff breakfast until she realized she would be in Chicago. She said Board comments regarding the staff survey would be sent out to all staff. National Night Out will be August 6 at 6:00 p.m.

Dave extended the Board's thank you to Erin for her service and support as she begins her new career.

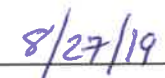
Adjournment:


Chair Dave Holmer adjourned the meeting at 8:07 PM.



Board President


Secretary to the Board



Date


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