

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 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 and Sheila Sisney. Excused member Marree Perrault.

Correspondence

None

Approval of Consent Agenda

Jennie made a motion to approve the July 23 Special Meeting and June 23 Regular Board Meeting Consent Agendas. Sheila seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Regular Agenda

Dave announced Item R would be removed and added to approve the resignation of Erin Green. Sheila made a motion to approve the Regular Agenda as amended. Jennie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

DISTRICT REPORTS

Elementary:

Tracy Franke reports:

- Today was the first day back with staff; went over trauma and Clear materials
- Classes are all set up with class sizes 16-27; up 10 students so far
- Struggling with schedules due to 4 less IA's over the past 2 years
- 30 students district-wide are not up to date on immunizations; all have been notified and not allowed to attend until compliant
- Will meet with Hi-Cap families before October
- ELL in continuing online
- LAP dollars are higher than last year; very targeted toward identified students not meeting benchmarks
- Title I dollars are down \$30,000
- We're ready for the school year with building looking great

High School:

Cindy Christoferson reports:

- The hallways have been painted; accent wall looks great
- Schedules have been set for most students; up 8 students from last year, with 5 others transferred
- Media Literacy and English 12 are new class options this year

- Working with the Tribe to offer Lushootseed as an elective this year with potential of becoming foreign language offering
- Staff met at Dyanna's house today and discussed many things

Special Programs:

Cindy Christoferson reports:

- Several students have enrolled this summer with IEP's; 5/11 at Elementary and 3/8 at the High School
- Year ended with Special education students at 21% of enrollment

DEA:

Dyanna Armony reports:

- Looking forward to a year with Administration and Board support, more about listening and transparency with time spent supporting individual staff as a continuum throughout the year
- Sheila asked Dyanna to please let her know when and what specific help is needed

PSE:

No Report

Student Representative:

Cindy said that a Junior or Senior interested in becoming the Student Representative will need to apply by letter or essay before September's board meeting.

Enrollment/Financial Reports:

McKenzie Boyd reports:

- As requested, page 19 shows PUD payments by month; while a large budget item, we can't control the PUD rates. Dave questioned whether the bills could be looked at by building and look to see if things are being shut off/down at night
- Page 20 shows the boiler fuel gallons per month purchased, not burned
- Page 21 shows gallons/year burned for 2016-17 through 2018-19; a lot of money has been saved and less pollution
- Fund balance report following year-end trend; looked like above trend, dropping off in April
- Monthly expenditures down for July and August with not as many expenditures in these months
- Balanced to the County Treasurer

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items:

None

Public Comments on Agenda Items:

None

OLD BUSINESS

Policy Update:

Jennie made a motion to approve WSSDA-recommended revised Procedure 6100 during the first reading due to State rule change needing policy before school year begins. Sheila seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

2019-20 Minimum Basic Education Requirement Compliance:

Sheila made a motion to approve the 2019-20 Minimum Basic Education Requirement attestation signed by Dr. Marsh and Mr. Holmer outlining the minimum 180-day school year, Kindergarten minimum instructional hours, grades 1-12 minimum instructional hours, High School and Beyond Plan beginning at grade 8 and graduation requirements. Jennie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 390-08-19

Use of LGO Bond Proceeds:

Jennie made a motion to approve Resolution 390-08-19, Use of LGO Bond Proceeds, spending leftover funds of approximately \$118,000 for other Capital Projects. Sheila seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Retreat:

Buck listed board retreat agenda items, after Mr. Holmer asked for input from other board members, including WSSDA self-assessment for planning and goals, staff survey follow-up, budget decisions through the lens of sustainability, strategies for an M/O levy, Buck's goals: evidence and documentation and measurement clarified; Policy 4220P adding wording on how to handle complaints and concerns about the superintendent, board calendar modifications/additions, board focus for Strategic Plan and WSSDA trainings. The retreat will be Saturday from 9-12:30 in the Science Room portable.

School Board Goal Review:

Dave talked about the 4 School Board goals from last year:

1. Develop and complete strategic plan by end of 2018-2019 school year-needs more work and look at other districts our size, ongoing
2. Continue to make budget and financial decisions that result in maintaining the 7% fund balance as defined in policy 6020-Dave asked McKenzie if we were getting close to which she said she recommends 8.5% to allow for a cushion
3. Actively build a strong and effective working relationship between the board and the superintendent in a manner that promotes building trust between the community and the school districts-this is an ongoing goal with guidance from Policy and procedure 4129, both including family involvement
4. Begin implementation of Policy 1340 Targeted Student Success to align our board work and the district's work toward the key function of student success defined in the policy. This will be used to set agenda items throughout the year-this is a broad-sweeping policy and this will be looked at again at Saturday's retreat. Some work has been done, but not complete.

Certificated and Classified:

Certificated new hires are Greg Gorham-High School Math; Veronica McKinley-Kindergarten, and Jessie Friddle-High School and Special Education Secretary.

Erin Green Resignation:

Jennie made a motion to accept Erin Green's resignation, effective August 23. Sheila reluctantly seconded. Motion passed unanimously. A timeline will be drafted to fill the position; 90 days is the limit.

Certificated Staff Teaching Out of Endorsement:

Jennie made a motion to approve Ray Franke teaching PE, Eileen Draper teaching Health, and Cindy Christoferson as the teacher of record for online Foreign Language and potential Lushootseed offering, all of their endorsements. Sheila seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Gifts to the District

Agreements and Contracts

Personnel Actions:

Sheila made a motion to accept the gifts to the district listed on page 38, agreements and contracts listed on page 39 and the personnel actions on page 40, noting class advisor changes. Jennie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent's Report:

Buck Marsh reports:


- Proud of the work done this summer
- Attended AVID Conference in Seattle with Middle School teachers and Mrs. Franke hoping to strengthen curriculum and build capacity at the Middle School
- 2017 Middle School Principal of the Year to speak after tomorrow's back to school breakfast
- Have been meeting with Ms. Armony consistently with substantive conversations
- Football team looks good with 19 boys
- Volleyball is starting up with 22-24 girls
- Lining up to be a great year with great kids, staff and schools

Board Comments:

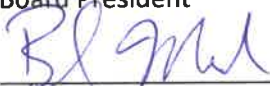
Dave expressed that school is fun and it's exciting to watch the ebb and flow. He hopes that those stepping up and making contributions will continue to do so. He asked when the back to school BBQ is scheduled for. Mrs. Franke said it will be September 11 from 5:30-7:00.

Adjournment:

Chair Dave Holmer adjourned the meeting at 7:39 PM.



Board President



Secretary to the Board

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