

BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, February 24, 2020  
St John-Endicott High School HFL Room  
5:30 pm/7:00 pm

**WORK SESSION**

Further discussion was held in regards to HS student Chais Anderson's request at the January board meeting to accept the current Accounting class as a Math credit. Counselor Barb Hahto and Principal Mark Purvine led discussion and provided information on high school graduation requirements per SJE policy. The Accounting class course description was also reviewed. After discussion, the boards agreed that no change would be made for the 2019-20 school year since the current course description guide does not indicate enough math in the Accounting class to warrant a change to allow for a Math credit.

Mick Miller from NEWESD 101 was unable to attend the work session. Superintendent Schmick presented the responses from a diverse group of SJE & ESJ students as gathered by Mr. Miller. She also provided an update on the 2019-20 Strategic Plan document.

**REGULAR MEETING**

Valerie Brewer called the St John meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Marvin Schmick called the Endicott meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Kelli Melhus led the flag salute.

**Roll Call**

Present from St John were Valerie Brewer, Dallas Loomis, Alan Blumenshein, John Hergert and Kelli Melhus. Present from Endicott were Marvin Schmick, Debbie Schlomer, Greta White, Linda Greenhalgh and Nancy Anderson. Also present were Suzanne Schmick (Superintendent), Mark Purvine (St John Principal) and Dana Crider (Business Manager). Guests included: Ken Gering, Roger Beck, Becky Dickerson, Jessiann Loomis, Kathy Pierce, Steve & Donna Loomis, Rod & Jay Mills, Missy Kjack, Amanda Webb, Mike Thomas, Dan Watt, Kevin Armstrong, Kendra Trump, Jennifer Richmond, Amy Swannack, Melissa Taylor, Kayla Howard, Lori Loomis, Cory & Amanda Johnson.

**AGENDA/MINUTES**

Kelli Melhus moved and Dallas Loomis seconded the motion to approve the board minutes of the January 27, 2020 regular meeting and the agenda of the current meeting as amended: Add New Business – Letter of Retirement, R. Beck-HS Voc Business Teacher; Add New Business - 2019-20 Classified Contract – C. Voiselle, Maintenance/Custodial Supervisor-St John. All St John board members agreed. Debbie Schlomer moved and Nancy Anderson seconded the motion to approve the board minutes of the January 27, 2020 regular meeting and the agenda of the current meeting as amended: Add New Business – Letter of Retirement, R. Beck-HS Voc Business Teacher; Add New Business - 2019-20 Classified Contract – C. Voiselle, Maintenance/Custodial Supervisor-St John. All Endicott board members agreed.

**GOOD NEWS ITEMS, COMMENTS**

A big Thank You to the Endicott Community Club for their generous donation of a refrigerator for the concession building on the Endicott School campus! Congratulations to both the HS FBLA & FFA groups for bringing home many awards from their latest competitions. Also, several students qualified for state! Congratulations to the SJE HS Band for receiving the 2019-20 Scholastic Achievement Award for 1B schools in the state of Washington!

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

SJE patrons attending the meeting voiced concerns regarding the SJEL Sports Board meeting topics including the possibility of additional game(s) held in Lacrosse, coordination of school calendars, Lacrosse student participation and the possibility of all track practices for all SJEL athletes being held in St John. Some reasons for concerns included school start dates and the difference between Lacrosse and St John harvest times; loss of revenue for SJE student groups along with downtown businesses; and the lost opportunity for all track athletes to practice together with head coach Paul Johnson.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

ST JOHN – Alan Blumenshein moved and Kelli Melhus seconded the motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. Approved were the February 2020: January payroll warrant #32212806 in the amount of \$1,809.32; payroll warrants #32212807-32212831 in the amount of \$111,999.14 and direct deposit funds in the amount of \$91,559.48; the General Fund accounts payable warrants #32212832-32212884 & #32212892-32212893 in the amount of \$66,755.06; the ASB Fund accounts payable warrants #32212885-32212891 in the amount of \$2,201.74. Also approved: Teaching Out of Endorsement – Heidi White, Algebra II, Pre-Calculus, Physical Science, Geometry (September-November 2019). All St. John board members agreed.

ENDICOTT – Greta White moved and Nancy Anderson seconded the motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. Approved were the February 2020: payroll warrants #30810333-30810355 in the amount of \$114,547.70 and direct deposit funds in the amount of \$70,281.27; the General Fund accounts payable warrants #30810356-30810396 in the amount of \$37,730.06; the ASB Fund accounts payable warrants #30810397-30810399 in the amount of \$754.17. All Endicott board members agreed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Kelli Melhus moved and Dallas Loomis seconded the motion to approve SJE Board Procedure #5010 – Nondiscrimination & Affirmative Action as presented by Superintendent Schmick. All St John board members agreed. Nancy Anderson moved and Greta White seconded the motion to approve SJE Board Procedure #5010 – Nondiscrimination & Affirmative Action as presented by Superintendent Schmick. All Endicott board members agreed.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Kelli Melhus moved and John Hergert seconded the motion to accept Roger Beck's letter of retirement. Superintendent Schmick thanked Mr. Beck for his 52 years of service to the St John School District and wished him the best in retirement. All St John board members agreed.

Alan Blumenshein moved and Dallas Loomis seconded the motion to approve the 2019-20 classified contract for Charles Voiselle, Maintenance/Custodial Supervisor for the St John School District. All St John board members agreed.

St John Transportation Supervisor Ken Gering presented proposals for the purchase of two 1-ton buses and one type D bus. Alan Blumenshein moved and Kelli Melhus seconded the motion to approve the purchase of the 3 buses. All St John board members agreed.

Discussion was held as a follow up to the SJEL Sports Board meeting held February 12<sup>th</sup>. Items discussed included: possible coordination of school calendars, student participation and possibility of additional games in Lacrosse. The St John and Endicott boards agreed to work with Lacrosse on the school calendar with the understanding that SJE start date may be different from Lacrosse's, depending on harvest progression in the SJE area. The SJE boards also agreed to staying with the current cooperative agreement with Lacrosse and not adding any additional games in Lacrosse with the exception of possibly holding HS baseball games there if Endicott's field is too wet. Director Val Brewer would

like to discuss eligibility requirements and possibly make changes to our current requirements to more align with WIAA's minimum standards. This item will be discussed at the next SJEL Sports Board meeting, currently scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Principal Purvine began his report with a tour of the art room to show the boards the recent purchases that Art teacher Travis Echanove has made using the grant monies he received from the Hagan Foundation. Mr. Purvine also provided updates for Character Strong activities, social studies curriculum adoption, NHS Blood Drive and upcoming events.

In the absence of Principal Porubek, Superintendent Schmick provided written updates for the Endicott School that included congratulations to the ESJL volleyball team for being league champions and ESJ receiving the 2019 College Bound Gold Star Award. Also provided updates for athletics, Character Strong activities and upcoming events.

Superintendent Schmick voiced her disappointment with LifeTouch Photography and she will be sending out an email to all families that acknowledges concerns with the company. She also updated the boards of what information OSPI is providing to School Administrators regarding the proposed sex education curriculum that is currently being discussed amongst legislators in Olympia.

Dana Crider provided February enrollment reports along with January financial reports for both school districts. She also provided information regarding the financial impacts of SEBB for both districts.

### **COOPERATIVE BOARD MATTERS**

Information was provided to the boards for the upcoming WASA Small Schools Conference in Wenatchee, March 9-10, 2020.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Dallas Loomis moved and Alan Blumenshein seconded the motion to move into executive session at 9:30 pm to review the performance of public employees and the superintendent as pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The session is expected to last approximately 90 minutes. All St John board members agreed. Nancy Anderson moved and Debbie Schlomer seconded the motion to move into executive session at 9:30 pm to review the performance of public employees and the superintendent as pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The session is expected to last approximately 90 minutes. All Endicott board members agreed.

Kelli Melhus moved and Dallas Loomis seconded the motion to come out of executive session at 11:05 pm. All St John board members agreed. Greta White moved and Linda Greenhalgh seconded the motion to come out of executive session at 11:05 pm. All Endicott board members agreed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

John Hergert moved and Alan Blumenshein seconded the motion to adjourn the St John board meeting. Valerie Brewer adjourned the St John board meeting at 11:05 pm. Linda Greenhalgh moved and Nancy Anderson seconded the motion to adjourn the Endicott board meeting. Marvin Schmick adjourned the Endicott board meeting at 11:05 pm.

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Suzanne Schmick, Superintendent

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Valerie Brewer, St. John Board Chair

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Marvin Schmick, Endicott Board Chair