

#### **MINUTES**

# of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the ENUMCLAW SCHOOL DISTRICT #216 7:00 p.m., District Office May 18, 2009

#### I — PRELIMINARY

#### A. Call to Order:

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by Cathy Dahlquist, President of the Board of Directors, at 7:02 p.m. in the boardroom of the district office.

## B. Pledge of Allegiance:

Bailey Josie led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

#### C. Roll Call:

All board members were present except Mrs. Merrill who was attending her daughter's graduation at Columbia University and was excused.

#### D. Minutes:

Mr. VanHoof moved and Mr. Cassell seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of April 20, 2009 and the special board meeting of May 11, 2009 as printed. Motion carried.

#### II — BOARD OF DIRECTORS/COMMUNICATIONS

#### A. Board Communications:

Reporting on *Day of Outreach*, Mr. Cassell shared that people distributed flyers in assigned neighborhoods and the day went well. Mr. VanHoof added that this is the second annual *Day of Outreach* started by Mr. Nelson and it is a day to say thank you to the community without asking for anything. We had perfect weather and great t-shirts. Mrs. Dahlquist encouraged people to volunteer next year and get a t-shirt!

Mr. VanHoof shared that the legislative session has ended and he should be receiving information soon. The budget cuts were the main item before the legislature. There may be a special session in June.

For anyone wishing to run for school board positions this year, Mrs. Dahlquist stated that two positions are open, Mr. VanHoof's and her's. She encouraged people to file if they are interested. The filing period is from June 1-5, 2009. Information on requirements can be found at the King County website (http://www.kingcounty.gov/elections.aspx).

Mrs. Dahlquist shared that she was a judge at the Enumclaw High School Culminating Projects and was so impressed with the students' work. She said it was a very rewarding experience, hearing the students share their dreams and observing their work.

Mr. Cassell attended the spring choral festival where the high school and both middle schools performed. He enjoyed the high quality entertainment and was amazed by the talent. Mr. Cassell added that the students had fun and put on a great performance. He recommended it to all!

Mrs. Dahlquist reported that she and Mr. Nelson went to Olympia to meet with Randy Dorn, Superintendent of Public Instruction. Senator Pam Roach joined them at the meeting and did an outstanding job of representing her constituents in this district. Mrs. Dahlquist felt it was an honor and a privilege to be involved in these meetings.

# **B.** Southwood Elementary:

Mr. Nelson invited Susan Arbury, Principal of Southwood Elementary, to share.

Mrs. Arbury stated that it was their pleasure to share about math learning at Southwood. She shared a math-related Calvin and Hobbs cartoon and said that we have come a long way since she took math! The current research on math shows that students know substantially more math today. Mrs. Arbury then introduced the following students who presented.

First grade students, Matthew Helmer and Madison Rubin, explained the difference between even and odd, how they use the in-and-out chart, and different number combinations to get to 10.

Fourth grade students, Victoria Jones, Katelyn Griffin, and Coral Hunter, shared their logic in solving a story problem, using the powers of 10, the factors of 24 with a t-chart, square roots, and skip counting.

Fifth grade students, Morgan Tinney and Kylie Rademacher, shared multiplication strategies, different ways to come up with the same answer, and their work with fractions.

At the conclusion of the presentations, Mrs. Dahlquist stated that she had read information on a website (http://washington.compareschoolrankings.org/) that gave Southwood Elementary an excellent rating in reading, writing and math with a rating of 7.9 out of 10. Mrs. Arbury thanked her for sharing that information and stated that the teachers at Southwood work very hard for their students and want the board to understand what they are doing in their building. Mr. Cassell remarked that he saw a significant increase in demonstrated skill levels in comparison to years past.

## **C.** Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Nelson shared that 70% of neighborhoods were visited on *Day of Outreach* and many people were contacted at the baseball fields where flyers were distributed. The downtown businesses in Enumclaw and Black Diamond also distributed flyers and Jody Horn planned two hours of musical entertainment downtown. The businesses appreciated the added attraction. Mr. Nelson chose to highlight Mr. Darrell Miller and his drama students. The group performed *Black Comedy* for four days to fundraise for 6<sup>th</sup> grade camp. After performing Friday evening, Mr. Miller brought his entourage to walk several apartment complexes for *Day of Outreach*. Following *Day of Outreach*, he attended the baseball game at Foss High School to support the

team, returning for the play performance Saturday night. Mr. Fiedler, baseball coach, was in the audience at the play on Sunday to return that support.

Student successes highlighted on the website this week are the FFA and equestrian champions. The girls' tennis team is in district playoffs. We are keeping the electronic calendars updated and hope the public is paying attention to the upcoming events such as Senior Awards.

Mr. Nelson reported the deadline for staff contract information was May 15<sup>th</sup>. Two certificated staff received reduction in force notifications. This is significantly lower than the 20 projected. Mr. Nelson stated this is very positive, but we are losing two valued people whose service we appreciate and we hope to get back in our system.

Mrs. Dahlquist asked if anyone present wished to address the board as a whole to please step forward and state their name.

# III — HEARING OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AS A WHOLE

No one present wished to address the board.

#### IV — ADMINISTRATION/BUSINESS

# A. Payroll and Vouchers:

Mr. Stocker presented the list of top ten expenditures in the district as follows: Puget Sound Energy, CDW Government Inc, Food Services of America, City of Enumclaw, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Overlake Hospital Medical Ctr, Associated Petroleum Products, Brooks Powers Group, the College Board (AP Exam), and Solution Tree.

After reviewing all vouchers, Mr. Cassell moved and Mr. Weyer seconded to approve payroll and general fund vouchers #45293 through #45526 in the amount of \$630,675.10; associated student body fund vouchers #19581 through #19635 in the amount of \$32,058.65; transportation vehicle fund voucher #24 in the amount of \$164,004.97; and ratification of the general fund payroll warrant issue for April in the amount of \$2,895,555.96. Motion carried.

# B. Consent Agenda:

- 1. Donation of \$1,115 from Kibler PTA to Kibler Elementary to be used for an anti-bullying assembly, 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip, and the purchase of 2<sup>nd</sup> grade math games
- 2. Anonymous donation of \$2,000 to the EHS Girls Water Polo program
- 3. Donation of \$4,000 from the Muckleshoot Tribe to the Native American Program to be used for the PowWow
- 4. Field trip request: Cross Country Track meet to Seaside, OR on Sept 25, 2009
- 5. Personnel Report

The consent agenda was presented by Mrs. Dahlquist.

With gratefulness and appreciation for all the gifts our district receives, Mr. VanHoof moved and Mr. Cassell seconded a motion to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

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Employment with the district will be conditional upon the district's receipt of a criminal conviction history record that is clear of any convictions, adjudications, protective orders, final decisions or criminal charges in accordance with Washington State Law.

#### **Certificated:**

#### A. Retirement:

1. Pam Christensen, teacher, EMS, effective 8.1.2009

## B. Additional Hours:

- 1. Jeff Kurtz, Math Blast at GRCC, effective 7.13.2009
- 2. Debbie Evans, Math Blast at GRCC, effective 7.13.2009
- 3. Jay Bryant, elementary summer school, Black Diamond, effective 8.10.2009
- 4. Jeff Kurtz, elementary summer school, Black Diamond, effective 8.10.2009
- 5. Jody Emerson, elementary summer school, Southwood, effective 8.10.2009
- 6. Diahn Boline, elementary summer school, Southwood, effective 8.10.2009
- 7. Camie Went, elementary summer school, Westwood, effective 8.10.2009
- 8. Lea Tiger, elementary summer school, Westwood, effective 8.10.2009

# C. New Employee:

1. Christine Heinlein, district nurse, District Office, effective 8.26.2009

#### D. Leave of Absence:

- 1. Shelly Henshaw, .5 teacher, Sunrise, effective 8.26.2009
- 2. Elisabeth Carlson, .5 teacher, Sunrise, effective 8.26.2009

## **Classified:**

## A. Resignations:

- 1. Jamie Hall, driver, Transportation, effective 5.8.2009
- 2. Carolyn Hagen, paraeducator, Transportation, effective 6.19.2009

#### B. Retirement:

1. Linda Dodd, paraeducator, Black Diamond, effective 6.19.2009

# C. Additional Hours:

1. Emmy Bowie, paraeducator, Black Diamond, effective 3.13.2009

#### **Supplemental:**

#### A. New Employee:

1. Randy Hagen, assistant fastpitch coach, EHS, effective 3.1.2009

## B. Resignation:

- 1. Ted Carlson, head girls basketball, EHS, effective 8.26.2009
- 2. Mike Sando, assistant track coach, EHS, effective 8.26.2009

Mrs. Dahlquist expressed her gratitude for the gifts to our district. Motion carried.

# C. K-12 Math Adoption:

Mr. Nelson invited Mr. Parker, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, to share. Mr. Parker reviewed the K-12 Math Curriculum recommendations which he hoped would be approved by the board. Mr. Parker stated that he was very pleased and appreciative of the committee that has worked very hard on this recommendation. Curriculum recommendations were as follows:

- *Elementary:* Math Expressions (K-5)
- *Middle School*: Holt Mathematics (Course 1, Course 2, Algebra 1)
- *High School*: Holt Mathematics (Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2); Pre Calculus with Limits (Pre-Calculus); and Calculus of a Single Variable (AP Calculus)

This proposal is the result of many months of work and Mr. Parker stated that he proudly presented it to the board. Mrs. Dahlquist stated that she recognized the amount of work that has gone into this recommendation.

Mr. Cassell made a motion and Mr. Weyer seconded to adopt the K12 math recommendation as presented. Mrs. Dahlquist called for discussion saying the board is thrilled with the recommendation. Mr. Cassell expressed his relief and thanked Mr. Parker and the committee for all of their hard work. He commended Mr. Parker for his leadership and said the students will benefit. Mrs. Dahlquist also stated that appreciation should be expressed to Mr. Nelson, Mr. Stocker and the board for appropriating funds to purchase the curriculum. Mr. Parker concluded that he is very optimistic and believes the new curricula will go great lengths in preparing kids and uniting the community. Motion carried.

## D. Resolution 933: Request for Transportation Vehicle Budget Extension

Mr. Stocker stated that this resolution is asking for capacity to replace a bus that was damaged last year. After consideration by the insurance company, the bus was written off. This allows the district to move forward to purchase a bus.

Mr. VanHoof moved to approve Resolution 933: Request for Transportation Vehicle Budget Extension. Mr. Weyer seconded and the motion carried.

# E. Resolution 934: WIAA Membership

Mr. Nelson explained that this is a resolution that comes to the board annually for approval.

Mr. Cassell moved to approve Resolution 934: WIAA Membership. Mr. VanHoof seconded and the motion carried.

## F. Resolution 935: Sale of Surplus Property

Mr. Stocker said this is also an annual resolution to approve items for the surplus sale which is scheduled for June 30 (in-district) and July 1<sup>st</sup> (public).

Mr. Weyer moved and Mr. VanHoof seconded to approve Resolution 935: Sale of Surplus Property. Mrs. Dahlquist received an affirmative response when asking whether the surplus sale is advertised. Motion carried.

# **G.** Second Reading:

**Policy 2125: Sexual Health Education** 

Policy 2170: Career & Technical Education

**Policy 2410: Grad Requirements** 

Mr. Nelson presented these three policies to the board for second reading and action, adding that the recommended corrections had been made.

Mr. VanHoof moved to approve policies 2125, 2710 and 2410 as presented. Mr. Weyer seconded and the motion carried.

## H. First Reading:

**Policy 2022: Electronic Resources** 

**Policy 3415: Accommodating Students with Diabetes** 

Policy 3420: Anaphylaxis Prevention

Policy 5407: Military Leave

Mr. Nelson introduced the policies before the board for first reading:

Policy 2022: The language changes the focus in the policy. Mr. Weyer expressed concern over wording in the second paragraph. A change in the wording was noted. Mr. Weyer expressed other concerns over the content and the meaning of the policy. Discussion followed. In conclusion, it was decided the policy gives broad direction and lays out procedures and expectations. It also embraces technology, understanding the need for students to be technologically prepared for the world of work. The current policy is very outdated.

Policies 3415: and 3420: These are both new policies around medical issues. As more of our students have food allergies and diabetes, Mr. Stanton, who oversees the nurses, and the district nurse were advised that it is imperative we have policies in place regarding student safety and staff training. There are also supporting procedures for these policies. Discussion followed. Responding to a question, Mr. Stanton stated that these health issues do fall under the Americans with Disabilities Act and we are required to provide accommodations for these students. Mrs. Dahlquist asked about staff training and Mr. Stanton stated that it is already being done. This policy won't change current practice. Health plans are in place and training is being done.

Policy 5407: This policy regarding military leave reflects changes in RCW. It is a required policy. Discussion followed.

Mr. Nelson concluded by stating these are for information only this evening. He asked the board to read and think about the policies and if they have additional questions, to please call. Mr. Nelson thanked the board for spending time on the policies.

## I. 2010-11 Calendar

Mrs. Lockyer stated that the board had the 2010-11 calendar before them. She explained the calendar process. A calendar committee comprised of EEA and district members develop the calendar options (in this case, 2 options) which go to the EEA membership for a vote per the EEA contract. The membership selected the Option A calendar. Mrs. Lockyer requested that the board consider this calendar for the 2010-11 school year.

Mr. Cassell moved and Mr. VanHoof seconded to postpone the approval of the 2010-11 calendar and negotiate a calendar that does not include the mid-winter break. Mr. VanHoof stated that the community was overwhelmingly in favor of not having the mid-winter break. Mr. Cassell quoted language from the EEA contract regarding the calendar "to best fit the needs of the community and certificated staff". He believes the mid-winter break fits neither the needs of the community nor the needs of students because of the break in continuity. Mr. Weyer had a difference of opinion, stating he felt the community members who spoke against mid-winter break were in the minority. He thought it would be wise to gather more information before taking this back to EEA. He also felt a strong argument could be made that breaks are a benefit to students though it would be nice to have the mid-winter break not as close to spring break. Mr. Weyer also stated the EEA has been making the decision for many years and it has worked. Why not make the change for the following year rather than saying we disagree with their decision based on limited feedback from the community? He asked whether negotiations would have to be re-opened. Mrs. Dahlquist responded that it would be just the calendar and it is for the 2010-11 school year - a year and a half away. Mr. Weyer stated he believed the calendar should be approved as presented. Mrs. Dahlquist replied that the concerns revolve around what has been heard from parents as well as other community members. She added that ten districts around us have eliminated mid-winter break or are negotiating it out. Mrs. Dahlquist also said staff she has talked to were more concerned about the day to work on report cards than mid-winter break. Only EEA staff voted on the calendar, not all district employees. Eliminating mid-winter break means a longer summer break which would be beneficial to staff working on their Master's. She would like to see a calendar draft that does not include mid-winter break. The motion carried with Mr. Weyer dissenting.

# J. General Fund Report:

Mr. Stocker presented the General Fund Report. 61.66% of the budget has been expended with 71.49 % of revenues in.

The beginning of the year fund balance was \$3,967,246.81. Total resources available: \$34,418,857.49. Expenditures to date: \$27,549,674.07. Transfer amount to debt service for energy: \$21,344.92; inventory: \$32,120.87 and debt service: \$42,689.82. Ending fund balance: \$4,292,800.99. Reserve for I-728 Grant revenues: \$444,469.70. Unreserved balance: \$6,328,558.11.

Capital Projects beginning fund balance was \$50,890.38 with an ending balance of \$28,573.80.

The Debt Service Fund beginning fund balance was \$2,207,605.22 with an ending balance of \$3,523,078.23.

ASB Fund beginning fund balance was \$354,365.85 with an ending balance of \$387,572.05.

Transportation Fund beginning fund balance was \$432,133.58 with an ending balance of \$690,784.12.

Mrs. Dahlquist asked Mr. Nelson if an executive session was necessary. Mr. Nelson stated that he would need a 10-minute executive session for the purpose of personnel issues. Mrs. Dahlquist announced the board would take a 7-minute break and reconvene at 8:45 p.m. for a 10-minute executive session.

## V — EXECUTIVE SESSION

No personnel decisions or motions were made during the executive session.

# VI — BOARD PROCESS DEBRIEF

The board came out of executive session at 9:00 p.m. to debrief the board meeting and share any concerns about the process. There were no concerns.

# This meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m. President, Board of Directors Secretary, Board of Directors