

**TO: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, WHITE PASS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NO. 303**

**FROM: DR. PAUL FARRIS, SUPERINTENDENT**

**SUBJECT: REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
NOVEMBER 19, 2018  
6:00 P.M., ROOM 205  
WHITE PASS JR. SR. HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING**

*School Board Meeting Minutes 11/19/2018*

**Call to Order:** *Ricky Emerson called the meeting to order at 6:00PM. Those present were Mrs. Emerson, Dr. Zora DeGrandpre, Heather Muir, Joe Fenbert, Joel McMahan, Dr. Paul Farris, Angela Bowen, and Nancy Nebeker. Music Teacher, Brad Nelson, and the White Pass Bucket Drummers gave a percussion presentation and led all those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**Changes or Additions to the Agenda:** *Dr. Farris added two items to School Board Operations:*

*A. Choosing a new date for the December 2018 Regular Meeting as the White Pass School District Winter Program will be Monday, December 17, 2018.*

*B. Announcing Special Board Meetings, Monday November 26, 2018 Closed Session to review sealed bids regarding the sale of Packwood Elementary; and Monday December 3, 2018 to reveal decision regarding the bid(s) review for Packwood Elementary.*

*Mr. Fenbert made a motion to accept the changes to the agenda. Mr. McMahan seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5, 0).*

**Approval of Minutes:** *Mrs. Nebeker amended the minutes to reflect the clarification of two sets of minutes requiring approval: A. September 17, 2018 5:00PM Special Board Meeting. B. September 17, 2018 6:00PM Regular School Board Meeting.*

*Mrs. Emerson asked for a motion to approve the minutes for A and B. Dr. DeGrandpre made the motion and Mrs. Muir seconded the motion to approve the revised minutes. The motion passed unanimously, (5, 0).*

**Audience and Communications:** *Beth Coleman thanked the board and administration for the Veteran's Assembly and for all the district is doing to work on the discipline issues this school year. She announced there will be a blood drive December 4, 2018.*

**Budget Overview:** Mrs. Bowen presented the budget and the F196 report that was not yet signed by OSPI.

**Consent Agenda:** Mr. Fenbert made a motion to approve A and B of Consent Agenda. Mr. McMahan seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5, 0).

**Presentations:**

ASB Representative, Jayla Townsend, shared recent and upcoming ASB events. She added that they are holding periodic pep assemblies at the elementary with the MWP mascot.

School Spotlight – Maureen Foley for GEAR UP; Mrs. Foley presented the fall college and career fair held at White Pass. All East Lewis County School Districts were invited to attend. She expressed excitement regarding the genuine engagement students experienced with the over 50 vendors present. This year Blanton's provided food for vendors which encouraged their continuous representation throughout the event.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Paul Farris;; Dr. Farris reported on the current status of the MTTSS, Multi-Tiered Systems of Support. He stated they are in the early stages of identifying teams and figuring out how to move forward. He said it will be a five year program for K through 12 so that student roll up remains consistent. Dr. Farris closed by discussing the projected fund balance. Although McCleary reports that they fully funded the "formula", districts are not fully funded. In 2021 our district will go into the negative if we remain at an FTE of 385. Decisions will be coming. The "formula" doesn't take into account what is really happening financially in districts.

Principal's Report – Chris Schumaker, Secondary; Mr. Schumaker shared slides regarding recent activities. He also discussed MTTSS. Mr. Fenbert asked what the referral process looks like. Mr. Schumaker responded that a teacher fills out a green slip that Erin Olwine receives and processes with the student. She sends a follow up email to the teacher. Mr. Schumaker stated the process is the same even if the referral request is generated by the student.

Principal's Report – Nathan Coutsoubos, Elementary; Mr. Coutsoubos presented the elementary specialists. Leah Gillispie teaches Technology, Dorinda Guy teaches Library and Art, and Bryan DeLong teaches P.E. He expounded on all that each individual instructor offers students in their specialized area.

ALE Update – Brian Carter; Mr. Carter updated those in attendance with statistics from the month of October. He added that Liz Quayle performed an OSPI Compliance Review. Mr. Carter, Sandy Carter, Dr. Farris and Mrs. Nebeker are working together to begin the process of updating their reporting processes as well as reviewing policies to present to the school board soon.

Legislative Report – Joe Fenbert; Mr. Fenbert and Mrs. Emerson shared about the recent WSSDA regional meeting they attended. Mr. Fenbert shared a quote by a speaker, " All bills

*have unintended consequences. McCleary represents the biggest fix requiring the biggest fix.” Mrs. Emerson had 6 take aways’ she shared with those in attendance. Both Mrs. Emerson and Mr. Fenbert acknowledged how lucky we are in our district to have come through bargaining relatively unscathed compared to the many districts they networked with at the meeting.*

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- A. Mrs. Nebeker shared information regarding 2 donations she is requesting approval for. The first was an additional donation of \$10.00 for a fundraiser for the class of 2021. The second was a \$1000.00 donation from the Windermere Foundation to be used for emergency lodging for McKinny Vento students. Dr. DeGrandpre asked if it would be used at local hotels or motels. Mrs. Nebeker affirmed, yes. Dr. DeGrandpre made a motion to approve the donations. Mr. McMahan seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5, 0).*
- B. Dr. Farris presented the MWP overnight request from the Athletic Directors. Mr. Fenbert made a motion to approve the travel request. Mrs. Muir seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5, 0). Details are attached.*

**School Board Operations:**

- A. Mrs. Muir made a motion to move the Regular School Board Meeting for December to Tuesday, December 18, 2018. Mr. McMahan seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5, 0).*
- B. Mrs. Emerson presented the two Special Meeting dates for November 26, 2018 and December 3, 2018 regarding Packwood Elementary. Both meetings would be at 6:00PM in room 205.*

**Board Comments:**

*Mrs. Muir shared that the PTO sponsored Fall Carnival at the elementary was nice and well attended.*

*Mr. Fenbert wished to thank the following for their work on a variety of projects recently: Hazelanna McMahan helping with the construction accident; Mr. Carter for arranging the LOUIE program, Linking Our Youth with community volunteers; Mr. Schumaker for being a carpool buddy to the AWSP Leadership meetings; Mrs. Muir helping Martha Almquist arrange the 12<sup>th</sup> grade mentors for incoming high school freshmen; Mrs. Emerson attending WSSDA together.*

*Mr. McMahan shared he has received a ton of positive feedback from the community regarding the Veteran’s Assembly, much more so than in the past.*

*Dr. DeGrandpre shared she was aware of some Veterans in our community with PTSD who were nervous to attend the assembly, but enjoyed it. She also continues to be impressed with all people are doing and the community spirit and dedication she has observed.*

*Mrs. Emerson appreciates Mrs. Foley for her passion for GEAR UP. The students trust her. She is preparing them for college and careers and having a plan following high school.*

**Executive Session:** None

**Personnel Action:** Mr. McMahan made a motion to approve A through D of Personnel Action. Dr. DeGrandpre seconded. Discussion was held clarifying that Shaleesa Westover would take her leave of Absence for 12 weeks, and Chrystal Mercado would perform her student teaching January 3, 2019 through May 1, 2019. The motion passed unanimously, (5, 0).

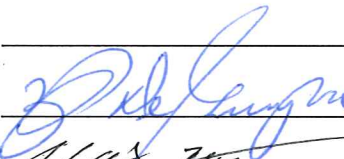



**Adjournment:** Dr. DeGrandpre made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Muir seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:24PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Nancy Nebeker

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