

Board Mtg. BURLINGTON-EDISON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 100 Mar. 26, 2012

The Board of Directors of Burlington-Edison School District No. 100 met on Mar.26, 2012 in the Board Room of the Administration Office at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: President, Bill Wallace; Vice-President, Roger Howard; Members, Bradley Whaley, Rich Wesen, and David Lowell

Staff Members Present: Laurel Browning, Superintendent; Dr. Jeff Drayer, Assistant Superintendent; K.C. Knudson, Director of Teaching and Learning; Joe Stewart, Finance Director; and Vicki Kelley, Deputy Board Secretary

At approximately 7:00 p.m., the regular meeting was called to order by President Wallace.

CALL TO ORDER

This month the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Superintendent Browning.

PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE

President Wallace opened the floor to any members of the audience who wished to address the Board. There were none.

AUDIENCE
PARTICIPATION

Mr. Whaley moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 27, 2012, the special meeting of February 28, 2012, and the work session of March 12, 2012. Mr. Howard seconded; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Mr. Lowell moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Mr. Wesen seconded, and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF
CONSENT
CALENDAR

Items approved on the consent calendar are as follows:

Approval was granted for payment of warrants subject to review by the Board member designated by the Board President at the end of month. Items covered are the March 2012: General Fund Warrant Nos. 313267 through 313379; 313381 through 313381; 313383 through 313383; and 313386 through 313630; Capital Projects Fund Warrant Nos. 313384 through 313385; and Associated Student Body Fund Warrant Nos. 313380 through 313380; 313382 through 313382; and 313631 through 313674.

APPROVAL OF
WARRANTS

The attached appointments, resignations, and leaves of absence were approved/accepted.

PERSONNEL

The Board approved the following travel items:

APPROVAL OF
TRAVEL ITEMS

- The travel of West View Counselor, Molly Westring, to Minneapolis, Minnesota on June 23-26, 2012 to attend the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) National Conference. Costs for the trip will be paid by the SIG budget (up to \$500.00) and Ms. Westring.
- The travel of B-EHS staff member, Charles Herzberg, and five students to Yakima, WA on April 2-3, 2012 to participate in a Boys' Golf Central WA Invite at the Appletree Golf Club. Costs for the trip will be paid by the boys' golf budget, fund-raisers and Booster Club monies. Travel will be via school van.

- The travel of B-EHS staff member, Jeff Brandenburg, 3 chaperones, and 22 students to WSU (overnight in Moscow, Idaho) and also college visits at CWU and EWU on April 27-29, 2012 by Gear Up students. Costs for the trip will be paid by the 7904 Sky budget; travel will be via charter bus.

APPROVAL OF
TRAVEL
ITEMS
(Continued)

APPROVAL OF
2011
AFFIRMATIVE
ACTION
REPORT

BOARD
MEMBER
COMMENTS

The Board approved the 2011 Affirmative Action Report as submitted. The Affirmative Action Report Program is a requirement of OSPI in cooperation with the Washington State Human Rights Commission.

President Wallace asked the Board if they had any comments.

Mr. Wesen enjoyed the West View board tour. He said it was a really vibrant school the day the Board toured. He spent time in the Head Start section and the family center. Mr. Wesen stated that Head Start helps families by doing some visits and thinks it is good to take the family approach. During the Auxiliary Services tour, he enjoyed talking to the new Food Services Director, Kristi Snodgrass, and thanked Director of Auxiliary Services, John Leander, for the tour of the new buses. He also acknowledged the new Burlington-Edison Teaching and Learning Newsletter. He said it has a lot of potential. K.C. Knudson, B-ESD Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, will be providing regular updates on the state of teaching and learning in our district.

Mr. Lowell enjoyed the Auxiliary Services bus tour and was impressed with how well Director of Auxiliary Services, John Leander, knows his job. Mr. Lowell was impressed with the quality of the buses. He also attended the Edison Carnival. It was a fun family night.

Mr. Whaley enjoyed meeting the district's new Food Services Director during the Auxiliary Services tour. He said he was glad to hear that no schools in our district are using pink slime in their meat. He is impressed with how the La Conner School District raises their own cows and stated it was something our school district should think about. He extended an invitation to everyone to attend the Burlington Art Walk at the Café Burlington the entire month of April in which high school students will be displaying their artwork. There is a "Meet the Student Artist Reception" on Sunday, April 1 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the café. All proceeds from the sale of student artwork will support a field trip for the artists.

Mr. Howard enjoyed the West View board tour and said the district is lucky to have Chris Pearson as the principal of that school. He complimented Mrs. Browning and staff on the improvements that have been made to the building. He also said the Dual Language program is amazing and feels lucky that it has turned out as well as it has.

Mr. Wallace enjoyed the tour of West View and Auxiliary Services with John Leander and Kristi Snodgrass, and also the Burlington North campus and Linda Larrabee and students. He said Ms. Larrabee had her students engaged in international and national politics. Mr. Wallace attended the high school parent group meeting and Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, K.C. Knudson, talked about the core standards program. Mr. Wallace said it is quite interesting and complimented the staff and administration for working on it. There was an article in the newspaper about the program in which Mr. Knudson was quoted a few times. Mr. Wallace attended the high school band program and said it was great to see the participation of the students.

Finance Director, Joe Stewart, presented the monthly Fiscal Report and answered questions from the Board. He also presented information as to why our expenditures are out-pacing our revenues (the decline of our General Fund cash balance). See attached.

FISCAL REPORT

Mr. Wallace pointed out there are a few more unfunded mandates: 1) Common Core standards and 2) the Legislature's new evaluation system for teachers and principals. (It takes resources to train staff.) He also stated that the administration as they set the district's projections for next year, look at what we have to negotiate for contracts. Mr. Wallace said we need to keep in mind, we should levy only the amount we need for basic education.

Mr. Wesen moved to approve the travel of B-EHS staff member, Brian Raupp, and five students to Walla Walla, WA on April 18-19, 2012 to attend the State Ag Mechanics Contest. Costs for the trip will be paid by the FFA budget and monies from fund-raisers; travel will be via school van. Mr. Lowell seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF
ADDITIONAL
TRAVEL ITEMS

Mr. Wesen moved to approve the travel of B-EHS staff members, Brian Raupp and Anna Gildness, and 16-18 students to Pullman (WSU) on May 9-13, 2012 to participate in State FFA Leadership Contests. Costs for the trip will be paid by the FFA budget and monies from fund-raisers; travel will be via school vans. Mr. Howard seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Howard moved to adopt Resolution No. 795/Transfer of State Forest Revenues. Mr. Wesen seconded, and the motion carried. This resolution authorizes the transfer of \$24,500 in state forest revenues from the Debt Service Fund to the Capital Projects Fund for the complete replacement of the telephone system at Edison Elementary School. The work will be completed during spring break.

ADOPTION OF
RESOLUTION
NO. 795

The Board scheduled a work session for Monday, April 9, 2012, starting at 5:30 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

NEXT WORK
SESSION

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, April 23, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the District Office.

NEXT
REGULAR
MEETING

The May regular board meeting has been moved to Thursday, May 31, 2012, starting at 7:00 p.m. in the District office Board Room.

MAY BOARD
MEETING
MOVED

The last Board tour of the year is scheduled at Lucille Umbarger Elementary School from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 10, 2012.

NEXT BOARD
TOUR

Mr. Whaley will go over the warrants this month.

WARRANTS

At approximately 8:05 p.m., Mr. Wallace announced the Board would recess into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter relating to employment. He stated the public was excluded due to the sensitive nature of these matters, that he anticipated the Executive Session would be no more than 15 minutes long, and that the Board will not take formal action upon return to public session.

RECESS
INTO
EXECUTIVE
SESSION

At approximately 8:35 p.m., the meeting reconvened to public session, and no action was taken.

RECONVENED/
NO ACTION
TAKEN

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:37 p.m. ADJOURNMENT

Board President

Board Secretary