

Board Mtg. BURLINGTON-EDISON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 100 Mar. 28, 2011

The Board of Directors of Burlington-Edison School District No. 100 met on March 28, 2011 in the Board Room of the Administration Office at 7:00 p.m.

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

Staff Members Present: Laurel Browning, Superintendent; Dr. Jeff Drayer, Assistant Superintendent; K.C. Knudson, Director of Teaching and Learning; Joe Stewart, Director of Finance; 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 Burlington-Edison High School senior, Cameron Frazer. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Wallace asked if there were any visitors to be introduced to the Board. Mrs. Browning stated that the high school team presenting the School Report would be introduced later in the program. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

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 from the regular meeting of February 28, 2011 and the work session of March 14, 2011. Mr. Wesen seconded, and the motion carried. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Browning announced the addition of two personnel items to the consent calendar as follows: 1) acceptance of the transfer of Allen Elementary Principal, Chris Pearson, to Principal of West View Elementary effective the 2011-2012 school year; and 2) the approval of the appointment of Margie Rodriguez as the Principal of Allen Elementary School effective the 2011-2012 school year. (Mrs. Browning reviewed the process for selecting the Allen Principal position.) APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Mr. Wesen moved to approve the consent calendar as modified. Mr. Whaley seconded, and the motion carried.

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 2011: General Fund Warrant Nos. 308672 through 308845 and 308847 through 309055; and Associated Student Body Fund Warrant Nos. 308846 through 308846 and 309056 through 309096. 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 B-EHS staff member, Anna Gildnes, and five students to Moses Lake, WA to attend the North Central Washington Junior Livestock Show (NCWJLS) on April 1-2, 2011 to participate in livestock judging. Costs for the trip will be paid by the CTE budget. Travel will be via school van.
- The travel of B-EHS staff member, Anna Gildnes, and five students to Spokane, WA on May 3-4, 2011 to participate in state livestock judging. Costs for the trip will be paid by the CTE budget. Travel will be via school van.
- The travel of B-EHS staff members, Anna Gildnes and Brian Raupp, 1 chaperone, and 17 students to Pullman, WA on May 11-15, 2011 to attend the State FFA Convention and attend additional leadership workshops. Costs for the trip will be paid by the ASB budget; travel will be via school van.
- The travel of FCCLA club advisor, Jean Scribner, to Bellingham, WA with one chaperone and five students on April 16-17, 2011 to attend a Family Careers and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Retreat. Costs for the trip will be paid by the FCCLA budget. Travel will be via privately owned vehicles.
- The travel of Allen Elementary Principal, Chris Pearson, to the 90/90/90 Schools Summit (Leadership Professional Development) on April 13-16, 2011 in Washington, D.C. Costs for the trip will be paid by the Title I ARRA budget.

The Board approved the following donation:

APPROVAL OF
DONATION

- The donation in the amount of \$3,188.00 from Fred Meyer Stores to the Burlington-Edison School District. The donation represents funds raised during their 2009 "Support Your Schools" campaign.

The 2010 Affirmative Action Report was approved by the Board. The Affirmative Action Report Program is a requirement of OSPI in cooperation with the Washington State Human Rights Commission.

APPROVAL OF
AFFIRMATIVE
ACTION
REPORT

The Board approved the form and courses for a third math credit requirement at Burlington-Edison High School (see attachment).

APPROVAL OF
MATH
REQUIREMENT

President Wallace asked the Board if they had any comments. Mr. Howard was very impressed with the recent Board tour of the Auxiliary Services Building. He said it is a great facility, and it was a very worthwhile tour. Mr. Howard also attended a WSSDA (Washington State School Directors' Association) Regional Meeting at the Conway School District that was extremely interesting and informative. He pointed out that the Legislature may do away with WSSDA, and that he thinks it is a very important organization for school districts as it is very informative with providing information about bills before the Legislature and information about important issues.

BOARD
MEMBER
COMMENTS

Mr. Lowell said he echoed Mr. Howard's comments.

Mr. Wesen was impressed with the tour of B-E North (the high school alternative school). He also attended the WSSDA Regional Meeting and encouraged people to send letters to their legislators.

Mr. Whaley attended the district's audit exit interview on March 23. He recommended that everyone see the movie, *Waiting for Superman*, about the successes and failures of the federal government when it comes to education. Mr. Whaley was impressed with what some school districts have done to improve education in their areas. He stated that it is an excellent movie.

Mr. Wallace followed up on comments Mr. Howard made about WSSDA. He stated that when he and Superintendent Browning met with Representative Kris Lytton at the Legislative Conference, she told them that she thought WSSDA could change from a state agency to a non-profit agency. Representative Lytton thinks WSSDA will still be around to represent us.

The donation from Fred Meyer Stores to the district in the amount of \$3,188.00 was acknowledged by Mr. Wallace. He said it is very much appreciated.

Mr. Wallace said the Board is very excited to meet the new principal of Allen Elementary School, Margie Rodriguez. She will be attending our April board meeting. He also stated that everyone is excited to find out this week whether or not the district receives the School Improvement Grant.

Mr. Wallace wanted to respond to comments that a couple of parents from the last board meeting (February 28, 2011) made expressing their concern about West View students moving to Lucille Umbarger Elementary. He wanted a response to be on the record from the Board and read the following statement:

"I would like to take this opportunity to respond to a couple of public comments made regarding West View School at the February Board meeting. Several individuals offered comments and questions during the public comment portion of the agenda. A couple of LU parents were troubled by the bad things they had heard about West View students and were apprehensive about the possibility of West View 7th and 8th grade students attending their school next year. For the record, this Board is convinced those concerns are totally unfounded, and regrets not responding to them at the February meeting. West View students, like all students in our school district, are great kids. As you might expect, we have since heard from many LU parents and staff that they are looking forward to welcoming the West View students and their parents in the fall."

Burlington-Edison High School ASB Activities Coordinator, Kevin Gudgel, and members of the ASB leadership team, Jesse Robinson and Cameron Frazer, presented on "What Makes B-EHS Great." There was an update on the status of clubs, activities, and levels of participation. Mr. Wallace and Mr. Howard thanked the participants. Mr. Howard stated that it is a great illustration of the importance of these activities.

SCHOOL
REPORT

At approximately 7:55 p.m., Mr. Wallace announced the Board would take a short break. At approximately 8:03 p.m., the Board met again in regular session.

RECESS

Finance Director, Joe Stewart, presented the monthly Fiscal Report and answered questions from the Board.

FISCAL
REPORT

Mr. Wesen moved to approve Friday, June 10, 2011, as the high school graduation date for the Class of 2011. Mr. Lowell seconded; motion carried. It will start at 7:00 p.m. on Kirkby Field.

APPROVAL OF
B-EHS
GRADUATION
DATE

It was the consensus of the Board that Mr. Whaley and Mr. Lowell hand out diplomas at the Burlington-Edison High School graduation.

HANDING OUT
OF DIPLOMAS

Mr. Whaley moved to give first reading to amended Policy No. 5050/Contracts. Mr. Lowell seconded, the motion carried. During the 2010 legislative session, the time period for provisional employees was extended from two to three years. Consequently, non-supervisory certificated employees hired in September 2010 are subject to the three-year provisional status. Teachers who completed their first year of provisional status in June/August 2010 are subject to two or more years of provisional status.

FIRST READING/
POLICY NO.
5050/
CONTRACTS

Mr. Lowell moved to give first reading to amended Policy No. 5005/Employment: Disclosures, Certification, Assurances, and Approval. Mr. Wesen seconded, and the motion carried. A clarification is made regarding criminal history disclosures by potential employees. To avoid any possible misinterpretation of the policy, the phrase "as identified above" as it relates to offenses was deleted. The policy identifies several offenses; however, there may be other offenses identified in a background check that appropriately disqualify an individual from employment within a district.

FIRST READING/
POLICY NO.
5005/
EMPLOYMENT:
DISCLOSURES,
CERTIFICATION,
ASSURANCES, &
APPROVAL

Mr. Wesen moved to adopt the 2011-2012 district calendar. Mr. Whaley seconded. Motion carried. Dr. Drayer stated that the district will not be applying for a waiver this year resulting in the loss of two staff training days next year. However, two extra late starts are added to the calendar.

ADOPTION OF
2011-2012
DISTRICT
CALENDAR

By April 15, the district shall make an initial determination of certificated program reductions. Mr. Whaley moved to have flexibility to create a list for certificated program reductions for up to 18 FTE certificated staff. Mr. Wesen seconded. Motion carried.

CERTIFICATED
PROGRAM
REDUCTIONS

Mr. Wesen moved to approve the travel of B-EHS staff member, Brian Raupp, and five students to Walla Walla Community College on April 19-20, 2011 to attend the State FFA Ag Mechanics Contest. Costs for the trip will be paid by the FFA budget, ASB, and fund-raisers; travel will be via school van. Mr. Howard seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF
ADDITIONAL
TRAVEL ITEMS

Mr. Lowell moved to approve the travel of Lucille Umbarger staff member, Mary Elizabeth Pearson, to Washington, D.C. on April 13-16, 2011 to attend the 90/90/90 School Summit Conference. Costs for the trip will be paid by the E2T2 ARRA budget.

The Board will meet on Thursday, March 31, 2011, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room. The purpose of this work session is to conduct a Washington State School Directors' Association workshop.

BOARD WORK
SESSION/
WORKSHOP

The Board scheduled a work session for Monday, April 11, 2011, starting at 5:30 p.m. in the District Office Board Room. Another work session is scheduled for Monday, April 18, 2011, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room. This work session is also for the purpose of conducting a WSSDA workshop.

NEXT REGULAR
WORK SESSION
& WORKSHOP

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, April 25, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the District Office.

NEXT REGULAR
MEETING

The last Board tour of the year is scheduled for Tuesday, April 19, 2011, from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. at Lucille Umbarger Elementary.

NEXT BOARD
TOUR

WARRANTS

Mr. Wallace will go over the warrants this month.

At approximately 8:40 p.m., there being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. ADJOURNMENT

Board President

Board Secretary

