

The Board of Directors of Burlington-Edison School District No. 100 met on February 23, 2009 in the Board Room of the Administration Office at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: President, Liza Bott; Vice-President, Marty Lopez; Members, Mike Dynes, Dick Spink, and Bill Wallace

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

The meeting was called to order by President Bott at 7:00 p.m.

This month the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Burlington-Edison High School senior, Juan Farias.

President Bott asked if there were any visitors to be introduced to the Board. Mrs. Browning stated they would be introduced later in the program.

President Bott opened the floor to any members of the audience who wished to address the Board. The following addressed the Board:

Shelly Parfitt

13448 Bridgeview Way
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

Ms. Parfitt wanted to apologize for her comments from the September Board meeting as she did not feel she communicated very well. She stated that unlike editorials in the *Skagit Valley Herald*, she feels that educating our students is needed even more during tough (economic) times. Ms. Parfitt praised Mrs. Browning for her graciousness, tenacity, and professionalism in the way she followed up with her in September addressing her concerns. She stated that the school district has wonderful leadership with Mrs. Browning at the helm.

Ms. Parfitt asked for clarification regarding the \$7.5M state matching funds that were included in a pie chart that was printed in the winter issue of the district's newspaper. Mrs. Browning will follow up with an explanation of the pie chart estimates.

Mr. Spink moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of January 26, 2009, and the special meeting of February 12, 2009. Mr. Lopez seconded, and the motion carried.

Mr. Wallace moved to approve the consent calendar. Mr. Dynes 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 February 2009: General Fund Warrant Nos. 196209 through 196654; Capital Projects Fund Warrant Nos. 2620 through 2620; and Associated Student Body Fund Warrant Nos. 17141 through 17183.

The Board approved the 2008-2009 Affirmative Action Report. The Affirmative Action Report is a requirement of OSPI in cooperation with the Washington State Human Rights Commission.

New Policy No. 6222/Procurement of Federally Funded Services was adopted. Although the district has a current procurement policy, this policy will supplement that policy with verbiage specifically related to the procurement of professional services with federal funds and associated requirements.

Amended Policy No. 3126/Child Custody was adopted. It has been amended to clarify the district's responsibility to notify a residential parent if a non-residential parent (or anyone else) attempts to pick up or contact a student during school hours.

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

The following travel items were approved:

- The travel of ACTS Coordinator, Bonnie Campbell, 6 chaperones, and 30 students to Vancouver, B.C. on March 26, 2009 to attend class at the Vancouver Aquarium as part of the ACTS Marine Mammal Program. Costs for the trip will be paid by the students. Travel will be via school bus.
- The travel of B-EHS staff member, Greg Knutzen, and six students to Yakima, WA on March 25-26, 2009 to participate in a golf tournament (athletic contest). Costs for the trip will be paid by the ASB-Golf budget. Travel will be via school van.
- The travel of B-EHS staff member, Greg Knutzen, and six students to Cle Elum, WA on April 27-28, 2009 to participate in a golf tournament (athletic contest). Costs for the trip will be paid by the ASB-Golf budget. Travel will be via school van.

The Board accepted the following donations:

- The donation of \$800.00 from Maria Lokensgard (Target) to the Allen first grade. The donation will be used for a field trip to the Seattle zoo.
- The donation of \$5,000.00 from Walden University to West View School. The donation will be used for Spanish literature and after school tutoring.
- The donation of \$3,725.00 from the West View PTA to West View School. The donation will be used to purchase educational materials that will directly impact students; learning.

President Bott asked the Board if they had any comments. Board members said they are focusing on the upcoming March 10th bond election. Signs are up now.

Mr. Dynes enjoyed the recent Board tour at Lucille Umbarger School. LU was in lockdown on Monday. He commended school and law enforcement officials for how well it was handled and that students felt safe.

Mr. Wallace stated that he is pleased that the district was able to refinance the 2001 bonds. The result was a savings to the taxpayers of approximately \$1.2M.

Mrs. Browning and Mrs. Bott attended the WASA/WSSDA Legislative Conference in Olympia. Mrs. Bott said that the State has an \$8.3 billion deficit and that the district is in danger of losing some of their I-728 dollars. They lobbied for no more unfunded mandates and reform of funding for K-12 basic education. She stated that the district has an opportunity for a meaningful conversation about sustainable funding for schools in the future.

Mrs. Bott said the district is waiting to receive information about the stimulus money program. She also commented on the recent article in the *Skagit Valley Herald* about the district's enrollment. She wanted to clarify that it is typical for the district to lose students over the course of a year, that enrollment drops are predictable, and that our district is actually higher in FTE enrollment than this time last year. We do need added space.

Mrs. Bott also attended the B-EHS play, Zombie Prom, and enjoyed it very much. She commended drama teacher, Irene Simpson, and encouraged people to see the play.

Burlington-Edison High School ELL teacher, Michael Sampson, and students from the Latinos in Action Program presented. The program is in its second year. The following students shared some of the opportunities the program has afforded them:

Angelica Asencio (11th Grade)
Nallely Carreon (12th Grade)
Juan Farias (12th Grade)
Kati Ortiz (12th Grade)
Irwin Lopez (12th Grade)

At approximately 7:40 p.m., Mrs. Bott announced the Board would take a short recess. At approximately 7:50 p.m., the Board met again in regular session.

Finance Director, Joe Stewart, presented the monthly Fiscal Report and answered questions from the Board. He informed the Board that our district received a plaque from the Washington State Risk Management Pool (WSRMP) for participating in a risk assessment survey and receiving a perfect score. The district will receive a minimum of a three percent reduction in our 2009 policy premiums and will be subject to review for a proposed increase of up to 5.75 percent. Mr. Stewart also informed the Board that our enrollment is 18.76 FTE above last year's enrollment average at this time.

Mr. Lopez moved to adopt the 2009/2010 district calendar as proposed by the Calendar Committee. Mr. Dynes seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Spink moved to approve the travel of Charlie Herzberg and five students to Yakima, WA on March 23-24, 2009 to participate in a boys' varsity golf and Central Washington Invite. Mr. Dynes seconded. Motion carried. Costs for the trip will be paid by the golf budget; travel will be via school van.

There will be no work session on March 9. Instead, a Board retreat is scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2009, starting at 5:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Bott.

The next Board tour of the year is scheduled for Friday, March 6, 2009, from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. at Bay View Elementary School.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, March 23, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the District Office.

Mr. Wallace will go over the warrants this month.

Mrs. Bott and Mr. Dynes will attend the Audit Exit Interview scheduled for Tuesday, February 24th, at 1:30 p.m. at the District Office.

The Board decided not to attend a WSSDA Regional Meeting in Marysville on March 10th as that is the bond election date.

At approximately 8:15 p.m., there being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Board President

Board Secretary

MEMO: **SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTORS**

FROM: **LAUREL BROWNING, SUPERINTENDENT**

DATE: **FEBRUARY 23, 2009**

RE: **CONSENT AGENDA**
PERSONNEL ACTIONS FOR FEBRUARY, 2009

Certificated Appointments

NAME	POSITION	FTE/HRS	REPLACING	LOCATION	CONTRACT	EFFECTIVE
Kevin (K.C.) Knudson	Executive Director Teaching & Learning	1.0	Laurel Browning	District Office	Permanent	07/01/09

Classified Appointments

NAME	POSITION	HRS/DAY	WORK DAYS	REPLACING	LOCATION	STATUS	EFFECTIVE
Jill Pettersen	Bilingual Resource Specialist (Migrant Home Visitor)	6 hrs/day	193	Student Need	District Schools	Temporary	02/03/09

Transfers

NAME	CLASS/CERT	HRS/FTE	POSITION	FROM	TO	EFFECTIVE

Leave of Absence

NAME	CLASS/CERT	HRS/FTE	POSITION	LOCATION	REASON	EFFECTIVE
Myrna Aguirre	Classified	7 hrs	IA Title/LAP/Genl Clssrm	Lucille Umbarger	Taking certificated position	2/2/09 (2 nd semester only)
Barbara Dahlstedt	Certificated	.5	7-8 Art/4-6 Health	Lucille Umbarger	Medical	2 nd semester 2008/09
Jill Pettersen	Classified	8 hrs	Admin. Asst. – Office Mgr.	West View	Transferring to new position	Remainder of 2008/09
Julie Stemme	Certifcated	1.0	6 th Grade	West View	Medical	2/9/09-4/3/09

Retirement

NAME	CLASS/CERT	HRS/FTE	POSITION	LOCATION	REASON	EFFECTIVE
Sharon Mainard	Certificated	1.0	TOSA	District Office		06/18/09
Richard Simpson	Certificated	1.0	PE/Health	West View		01/31/09
Cec Spahr	Certificated	1.0	Special Ed	Lucille Umbarger		06/18/09

Resignation

NAME	CLASS/CERT	HRS/FTE	POSITION	LOCATION	REASON	EFFECTIVE
Mary Neff	Certificated	1.0	3 rd Grade	West View		06/18/09

Extra-Curricular Appointments

NAME	LOCATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE