

**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**

**JULY 15, 2019**

**6:00 P.M., ROOM 205**

**WHITE PASS JR. SR. HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING**

*7/15/2019 Minutes*

- 1. Call to Order:** Ricky Emerson called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Those in attendance were Mrs. Emerson, Heather Muir, Joe Fenbert, Joel McMahan, Dr. Zora DeGrandpre, Dr. Paul Farris, Angela Bowen, and Nancy Nebeker. Mrs. Emerson asked Pretrina Mullins to lead all in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Changes or Additions to the Agenda:** Dr. Farris inquired of the board whether to include New Business 9. B. Cell Phones, in Chris Schumaker's Principal Report or leave it where it is in the agenda. A decision was made to leave the agenda as is.
- 3. Approval of Minutes:** Mr. Fenbert made a motion to approve the June 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Mr. McMahan seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5, 0).
- 4. Audience and Communications:** Referring to the Audience Communication Sign-In Sheet, Mrs. Emerson invited Dean Croshaw to speak. Mr. Croshaw mentioned he had spoken at previous board meetings regarding the budget. He noted the ending fund balance for 2018-2019 is higher than budgeted and predicts next year might be similar.
- 5. Budget Overview:**  
**A. Budget Overview-** Mrs. Bowen presented the June 2019 budget. She stated the transportation vehicle fund encountered a shortfall in funding from OSPI. Statewide, districts received ONLY 21% totaling about a \$29,000,000. short pay that is planned to be made up next month. Dr. DeGrandpre asked if this is a common occurrence. Mrs. Bowen replied no, but it does happen.

**B. 2019-2020 Budget and 4-Year Projection-** Mr. McMahan made a motion to adopt the 2019-2020 budget and 4-Year Projection as presented in the Special Budget Hearing Meeting on July 15, 2019. Dr. DeGrandpre seconded. Mr. Fenbert amended the motion to include Resolution # 03-04-19 - Adoption of the 2019-2020 Budget. Mr. McMahan seconded Mr Fenbert's amendment to the original motion. The amended motion passed unanimously, (5, 0).

**6. Consent Agenda:** Mrs. Muir made a motion to approve Consent Agenda A. Financial Reports, and B. Accounts Payable and Payroll. Mr. McMahan seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5, 0).

**7. Presentations.**

ASB Report – No ASB representative in attendance.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Paul Farris shared that in the district office, the summer months are a time of preparation for the coming school year. Administrators have been reviewing current security system components and are collecting bids to upgrade.

An arborist has come to assess several trees on the campus that have or are in the process of dying. He is working up a bid to remove them for safety reasons. He will include alternative bids for stump grinding and replacing trees as well.

The maintenance crew has been hard at work refinishing floors, mowing, and summer maintenance projects.

Discovery Team has been diligently working and is preparing for their end of season celebration at 1:30pm on Thursday, July 18 in the high school commons. All are invited to attend.

Principal Report – Chris Schumaker reported he has been gone the last two board meetings due to a High Cap field trip as well as the Washington DC trip for 11 Morton and White Pass students. The next DC trip is being planned for June 2021. Students are able to receive high school and college credit for attending.

Terry Fagin attended the AWSP Dare to Dream conference at the University of Washington where he audited student involvement in STEAM projects and activities.

Jet'aime Cole attended the CPM year 2 math camp and AP training.

Almquists are enjoying a highly educational European summer vacation.

*Pretrina Mullins has 12 active students enrolled in summer school.*

*Principal Report – Nathan Cutsoubus, was not in attendance and no report submitted.*

*ALE Update – Brian Carter was unable to attend.*

*Legislative Report – Joe Fenbert stated the State Board of Education has created a draft of the proposed new graduation pathways and they are currently requesting feedback from stakeholders before it enters the official approval process this fall.*

**8. Old Business: None**

- 9. New Business:** *Chris Schumaker presented the annual Highly Capable report for White Pass School District. Currently there are 8 students enrolled in the program. In 2018-2019, 39 students were tested, of which 2 candidates were identified as qualifying for the program. Field trips focused on both STEM and the Arts as current hi-cap students have presented both STEM artistic inclinations. The program is purchasing 6 new chrome books to be checked out by hi-cap students desiring to pursue online content as well as Running Start. The hi-cap program is running on about a \$5200 annual budget.*

*The current secondary school cell phone policy is being revised. Staff members have noticed increased issues in discipline and disrespect from junior high students and their cell phone usage during the school day and especially in class. They propose to carry over the cell phone policy from the elementary to the junior high students. The outlined policy is included (see attached). Mr. Schumaker and the staff reviewed other districts and their policies. Mr. Schumaker plans to send a letter home to families as well as provide a Q and A at the Back to School Night.*

**10. School Board Operations: None**

**11. Board Comments:**

*Mrs. Muir thanks Mr. Schumaker for sharing school activities on social media. She enjoys seeing all that is going on. She thanks Dr. Farris, Mrs. Bowen, and Mrs. Nebeker for preparing the budget. She also thanks the maintenance staff for their hard work, preparing for the upcoming year.*

*Mr. Fenbert said he met with Mrs. Hanks, Mr. Fagin, Mrs. Mullins and Mr. Shumaker regarding the partnership with Cispus for next school year and is excited for the next round of games and the building of social skills.*

*Mr. McMahan is super excited about the cell phone policy and maintenance projects.*

*Dr DeGrandpre thanks everyone for their hard work on the budget. It is such a challenge. She has gratitude, recognition, and thanks for the teachers and all they do.*

*Mrs. Emerson appreciates the Discovery Team activities and encouraged everyone who is able to attend, please come to the end of season celebration. She stated the other board members mentioned all the same things she is grateful for and added her appreciation for the board members, themselves.*

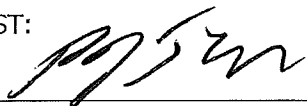
**12. Executive Session:** None

**13. Personnel Action:** Mr. McMahan made a motion to approve Personnel Action A. Heidi Cooper, Head Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach and B. Jim Reed, Assistant Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach. Dr. DeGrandpre seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5, 0).

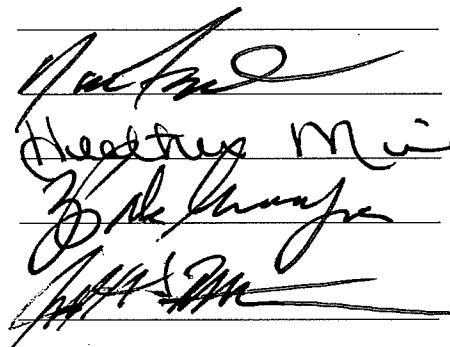
**14. Adjournment:** Mr. McMahan made a motion to adjourn at 7:00pm. Dr. DeGrandpre seconded. The motion passed unanimously, (5, 0).

Respectfully Submitted by Nancy Nebeker

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