

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of March 16, 2011

President Sherm Voiles called the Regular March 16 meeting of the Board of Directors of Sumner School District No. 320 to order at 6 p.m.

Present: Sherm Voiles, Richard Hendricks, Jeff DeMarre, Greg Hanon, Mike Pavlik

Dr. Gil Mendoza, Superintendent; Craig Spencer, Assistant Superintendent; Debra Barlow, Executive Director, Human Resources; Deb Campbell, Executive Director, Business Services; Erin LaVerdiere, Executive Director, Teaching & Learning; Ann Cook, Director, Communications; Susie Lynch, Director, Research & Assessment; Sandy Maynard, Chief Technology Officer; Hillery Berteaux, SEA President; Sarah Briehl, Director, CTE; Susie Black, Principal, McAlder Elementary; Mike McCartin, Principal, Maple Lawn Elementary; Mark Baumgarten, Director, M&O; Laurie Dent, Principal, Liberty Ridge Elementary; and staff members: Michele Johnson, Intervention Specialist; Anne Little, Administrative Secretary, and Heidi Jones, 2nd Grade Teacher; Andrea Landis, Administrative Intern; Tim Thomsen, Director, Athletics & Activities; Kyal Olson, System Coordinator, Technology; Jeannie Rowland, 3rd Grade Teacher, Maple Lawn Elementary; Rob O'Connor, Math Teacher, Sumner High; Mandy Jowett, Recording Secretary.

Visitors: 0

Flag Salute

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Jeff DeMarre that the Board approve the agenda and supplemental agenda but amended Out of State Travel on the supplemental agenda to be included as action item h. under new business: Seconded by Mike Pavlik. Motion unanimously carried.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Mike Pavlik that the Board approve the minutes of the Regular February 16 Board meeting; Special March 3 Board meeting; and Special March 9 Board meeting, as presented: Seconded by Greg Hanon. Motion unanimously carried.

Consent Items

Moved by Greg Hanon that the Board approve the consent items on the regular and supplemental agendas, as amended: Seconded by Rick Hendricks. Motion unanimously carried.

Offers of Employment

Davida Carson, Child Nutrition Assistant, Sumner High, new hire, effective February 23, 2011

Laura A. Anderson, Paraeducator, Daffodil Valley Elementary, new hire, time-limited position, effective March 14 for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year

Shelli Bender, Paraeducator, Mountain View Middle, rehire, time-limited position, effective March 14 for remainder of the 2010-2011 school year

Supplemental Contracts

Anthony Clarke, Lakeridge Middle, Assistant Football Coach, effective Spring/Summer 2010-2011

Joe Ireland, Lakeridge Middle, Assistant Football Coach, effective Spring/Summer 2010-2011

Retirement

Carolyn Mapile, Paraeducator, Victor Falls Elementary, effective April 1, 2011. Carolyn has worked for the District for 28 years.

Consent Items, continued

Resignation

Jamie Bellamy, Math/Science Teacher, Lakeridge Middle, effective the end of the 2010-2011 school year

Sue McMinn, District Health Officer, Administration, effective April 8, 2011

Cynthia Carel, Custodian, Maintenance & Operations, effective March 1, 2011

Ruth Conrad, Special Olympics Swim Coach, Bonney Lake High, effective 2010-2011 school year

Dustin Strickland, Custodian III, Sumner High, Maintenance & Operations, effective March 31, 2011

Tammy Wassom, Child Nutrition Assistant, Child Nutrition Department, effective the end of the 2010-2011 school year

Leaves of Absence

Ellen Berwick, Science Teacher, Bonney Lake High, continued request for a .40 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Mary Crowley, Librarian, Daffodil Valley Elementary, continued request for a .50 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Kathy Hart, Intervention Specialist, Mountain View Middle, continued request for a .40 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Leslie Hollingsworth, Learning Specialist, Victor Falls Elementary, continued request for a 1.0 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Bobbi Marcy, Kindergarten Teacher, Daffodil Valley Elementary, continued request for a .50 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Jonathan Nelson, English Teacher, Sumner High, new request for a 1.0 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Tiana Nelson, Spanish Teacher, Bonney Lake High, new request for a 1.0 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Suzanne Ravet, Counselor, Lakeridge Middle, new request for a 1.0 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Kathryn Briggs, Teacher on Special Assignment – Math, Administration, continued request for a .50 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Elizabeth Draggoo, 4th Grade Teacher, Emerald Hills Elementary, new request for a 1.0 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Laurel Kingsbury, Teacher – Math/Science, Sumner Middle, new request for a 1.0 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Reem Stewart, Intervention Specialist, Bonney Lake Elementary, continued request for a 1.0 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Jennifer Stockstad, Intervention Specialist/Counselor, Daffodil Valley Elementary, continued request for a 1.0 FTE leave of absence without pay, effective 2011-2012 school year

Acceptance of Donation

The Board accepted, with thanks, **Crestwood Elementary PTA's** donation of \$12,200.00 for the purchase of Smart Boards and musical instruments for use at Crestwood Elementary.

Consent Items, continued

Out of State Travel

Joe Carl, Band Director, Sumner High School, to accompany the Sumner High School Marching Band, Color Guard, and the Cheerleaders and Dance Team to participate in the 2013 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York, New York. An application will be submitted for possible participation. Funding sources: personal funds, Spartan Band Parent Association funds, Sumner High Band ASB funds.

Surplus Property

The Board authorized the District to surplus items on the District Surplus Removal Listing.

Recognition

a. Roll of Honor

Board President Sherm Voiles acknowledged awards earned by music, choir and vocal students at various local and regional contests and festivals. A summary is attached.

b. School Insight: Liberty Ridge Elementary

Principal Laurie Dent introduced five Thunder Eagles to present Kelso's Choice, a conflict resolution tool, taught and used at Liberty Ridge. Student presenters were: Rebecca Wassom, Xey Luce, Breyanna Bixler, Michael Yanusevich, and Edgar Lopez.

Meeting Recessed: 6:19 p.m.

Meeting Reconvened: 6:27 p.m.

Reports

a. Student Achievement: Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)

Liberty Ridge Elementary Principal Laurie Dent and Teacher Heidi Jones reviewed their use of helpful information gained from administering MAP tests to their students. Research and Assessment Director Susie Lynch gave an update on the data at the District level comparing fall and winter math scores and Sumner School District scores to national scores.

b. New School Assignments: 2011-2012

Principals Susie Black and Mike McCartin reported on activities and plans for moving to Eismann Elementary and McAlder Elementary next year. Both schools have held informational events for families, and students are participating in various activities in preparation for their new school assignments.

c. Budget Development Process: Essential Services

Communications Director Ann Cook presented an overview of the 2011-2012 budget development process. The Budget Development Team is using a six-step budget reduction process model to identify the essentials for a quality education and to analyze the way in which programs and services are provided. This process is critical to ensure support for required programs and services for students. Parents, students, staff and community members on the Budget Advisory Committee are providing input on the impact of budget reductions.

d. Comprehensive Program Review (CPR)

Research and Assessment Director Susie Lynch reported on the results of the Consolidated Program Review. On February 17 a five-member team from OSPI reviewed the District's federal and state programs and visited four of our schools. The district had 7 findings. In the review summary OSPI Team Leader Pat Eirish stated, "You have a great district. We saw so many good things happening. So many of the programs had no compliance issues and we probably don't emphasize that enough."

Audience Comments

Jeannie Rowland, 3rd Grade Teacher, Maple Lawn Elementary, thanked the District for sending her to GLAD (Guided Language Acquisition Design) training. GLAD is a model of professional development in the area of language acquisition and literacy. Jeannie gave several examples of new teaching strategies she has implemented in the classroom.

Sumner Education Association (SEA) President Hillery Berteaux updated the Board on the WEA's (Washington Education Association) resolution "to stop crowding our kids' classroom," which addresses the implications of budget cuts in education.

Superintendent Comments

Dr. Mendoza recently attended the Sumner Parent Association's Big Band Dance and fundraiser. He said this year the District's three middle schools have consolidated efforts to get sponsors for their annual fundraising events. Dr. Mendoza announced that **John Norlin**, Sumner High School ASB Advisor and Leadership Teacher, was named **Activities Coordinator of the Year** by the Washington Activity Coordinators Association (WACA). This annual state award recognizes members who have made a significant, lasting impact on middle level and/or high school activities in Washington State.

Board Member Comments

President Voiles recommended that the Board consider having high school principals hand diplomas to students at commencement exercises instead of School Board members as done in recent years. He has received positive feedback from principals on this recommendation.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

a. Resolution No. 8/10-11: Capital Projects Surplus Funds

At the January 28 Special Meeting the Board of Directors presented a funding plan for technology improvements. Instrumental to the plan is use of State Financing Assistance in the Capital Projects fund. On March 3, a public hearing was held to receive public testimony to consider whether state or local circumstances should cause alterations to expenditures from Bond Proceeds and/or State Financing Assistance. No members of the public attended the public hearing.

Moved by Jeff DeMarre that the Board approve Resolution No. 8/10-11: finding, declaring and directing that certain state and local circumstances should cause alterations to the specific expenditures from the District's State of Washington financing assistance originally authorized in Resolution No. 9/06-07: Seconded by Mike Pavlik. Motion passed 4 to 1.

b. WAN Fiber Upgrade

Chief Technology Officer Sandy Maynard presented details of a 60-month contract with Qwest Communications Corporation to increase the District's bandwidth using fiber at nine sites. Systems Coordinator Kyal Olson reviewed the vendor evaluation process.

Moved by Jeff DeMarre that the Board approve the contract with Qwest to increase the District's bandwidth, as presented: Seconded by Greg Hanon. Motion unanimously carried.

c. Textbook Adoption – First Reading

Sarah Briehl, Career and College Readiness Director, presented a recommendation for the following instructional materials to be used for Financial Math.

Title: *Financial Algebra*

Author: Robert Gerver and Richard Sgroi

Publisher: South Western Publishing

Copyright: 2011

Name of class in which the textbook will be used: Financial Math

This textbook has been reviewed and approved by the District Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee. This information was provided for first reading.

d. Change Order #3: Bonney Lake Elementary

Moved by Greg Hanon that the Board approved Change Order #3: Bonney Lake Elementary: Seconded by Rick Hendricks. Motion unanimously carried.

e. Change Order #8: Sumner Middle

Moved by Rick Hendricks that the Board approved Change Order #8: Sumner Middle: Seconded by Greg Hanon. Motion unanimously carried.

f. Change Order #13: Victor Falls Elementary

Moved by Greg Hanon that the Board approved Change Order #13: Victor Falls Elementary: Seconded by Jeff DeMarre. Motion passed 3 to 2.

g. Warrant Approval

Moved by Jeff DeMarre that the Board approve the warrants as certified by the auditing officer: Seconded by Rick Hendricks. Motion unanimously carried.

Warrant #42448-#42494 in the total amount of \$2,942,116.95

General Fund \$69,227.16

Capital Projects \$2,857,275.31

ASB Fund \$15,614.48

Warrant #42380-#42447 in the total amount of \$439,852.75

General Fund \$340,602.15

Capital Projects \$55,262.47

ASB Fund \$43,977.75

Private Purpose Trust Fund \$10.38

Warrant #42495-#42586 in the total amount of \$446,989.21

Warrant Approval, continued

General Fund \$422,056.82

Capital Projects \$13,176.29

ASB Fund \$11,130.10

Private Purpose Trust Fund \$26.00

Warrant #42587-#42659 in the total amount of \$619,111.07

General Fund \$597,460.90

Capital Projects \$10,534.49

ASB Fund \$11,115.68

Warrant #101100020-#101100022 in the total amount of \$1,903.38

General Fund \$705.97

Capital Projects \$955.59

ASB Fund \$241.82

Warrant #196896-196919 in the total amount of \$117,485.75

General Fund

Warrant #196920-#196921 in the total amount of \$857.54

General Fund

Warrant #196922-#196976 in the total amount of \$4,902,637.72

General Fund

h. Out of State Travel

Moved by Mike Pavlik that the Board approve out of state travel for School Board President Sherm Voiles to attend the Annual National School Board Association Conference April 8-11, 2011, in San Francisco, CA: Seconded by Jeff DeMarre. Motion passed 3 to 2.

Information Only

a. Upcoming Board Meeting

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 13, at 6:00 p.m.** and will be held in the Board room. A Special Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 27, at 6:00 p.m. and will be held in the Board room to discuss the 2011-2012 budget.

b. Community Summit

The 18th Annual Communities For Families (CFF) Community Summit will be held Thursday, March 17, 2011, 5:00 – 8:30 p.m., at Calvary Community Church in Sumner. The year's Summit theme is "*Imagine – Together We Can!*" Both the Summit and pre-summit (3:00-4:45 p.m.) events are free and open to the public, but pre-registration is required. Please call the STARR Project at 253-891-6066 to register or for additional information. The STARR Project thanks the Bonney Lake Lions Club and Calvary Community Church along with our CFF Coalition partners for their support of this annual community event.

c. WSSDA Spring Regional Meeting

A WSSDA Spring Regional meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 21, 6-8:30 p.m. at Highline School District in Burien with an optional two-hour evaluation workshop preceding. Please let Mandy know if you are interested in attending.

d. Budget Status Report

The budget status report for February was included for Board information.

Meeting Recessed for Executive Session: 8:52 p.m.

President Sherm Voiles announced an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent's evaluation. No Board action was anticipated.

Meeting Reconvened: 9:18 p.m.

Adjournment

Moved by Greg Hanon that the meeting be adjourned: Seconded by Mike Pavlik. Motion unanimously carried.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:18 p.m.

**Gil Mendoza, Secretary
Board of Directors**

Attest: _____
**Sherm Voiles, President
Board of Directors**