

OFFICIAL MINUTES  
LAKE WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 414  
Board of Directors' Meeting  
December 3, 2018

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

CALL TO ORDER

Members present: Siri Bliesner, Mark Stuart, Chris Carlson, Eric Laliberte, and Cassandra Sage.

ROLL CALL

Present: Superintendent Jane Stavem.

Chris Carlson moved to approve the agenda with the exception to moved forward, prior public comment, the approval of the name for the new middle school at Redmond Ridge. Seconded by Eric Laliberte.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion carried.

A video was shown depicting the school culture and interviews with students at Rockwell Elementary.

HOST SCHOOL

Michael Clark, Principal, noted that Rockwell Elementary school is part of the Redmond Learning Community. They have 574 K-5 students; he reviewed the demographics. This is a very diverse school; there are over 50% families of color with 28 different languages spoken. He related that this influences how they serve their students. They are in their second year of culturally responsive teaching and he highlighted some of those activities. They work to foster a caring and collaborative community. They were one the first recipients of the district's innovation grant which was used to create and outdoor classroom which is used all the time.

ROCKWELL  
ELEMENTARY

He then reviewed the Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) assessments. Mary Kay Weinmeister, 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, explained how the Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) data is being used to create strategies to close opportunity gaps. Ryan Scott, Associate Principal, reviewed the data from the Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science.

Toni Gibson, 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher, talked about student voice and leadership at the school. Barret, a 5<sup>th</sup> grade student, has helped to raise funds for Pantry Packs, Lake Washington Schools Foundation, a program to provide students with food over the weekends. He raised \$3,000 last year and hopes to raise \$4,500 this year.

Kelly Clapp, Principal, Juanita High School, recognized students who were named National Merit Semifinalists and Commended Scholars.

**National Merit Commended Scholars**

Juanita High School

Bryce Coble, Jenna Everard, Maggie Jiang, Aaron Jones, Jonah Kern, Lillian Leblanc, Kaitlyn Nguyen

Brandon Sim, Rahul Sista, Ajay Srivastava, David Weatherford, Tyler Yim, and Amir Zur

**National Merit Semi-Finalists**

Juanita High School

Andreea Ghizila, Alyssa Kuraishi, Eric Marnadi, and Nithish Bharadhwaj Narasimman

Jon Holmen, Deputy Superintendent, noted that Policy FF, Naming Facilities and Mascots, specifies that names and mascots for new elementary, middle and high school facilities shall be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval. The Board shall name each new secondary school according to the neighborhood or district in which it is located, or by selecting the name of a deceased person or place related to local area or Pacific Northwest history.

The final names on the ballot presented for a student vote were:

1. Timberline Middle School
2. Cedar Middle School
3. Viewridge Middle School
4. Timberwood Middle School

Heidi Paul, Planning Principal, reviewed the process which involved staff and students. She announced the name for the new middle school at Redmond Ridge as Timberline Middle School.

Mark Stuart moved to approve Timberline Middle School as the name for the New Middle School at Redmond Ridge, Site No. 72. Motion was seconded by Cassandra Sage.

Motion carried.

RECOGNITION

NATIONAL MERIT  
SEMIFINALISTS &  
COMMENDED SCHOLARS

JUANITA HIGH SCHOOL

APPROVAL OF NAME  
NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL  
AT REDMOND RIDGE  
(SITE 72)

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A 5-minute recess was taken. The meeting was recessed at 7:45 p.m. and reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

RECESS

Zach Benzaoui, a junior at Lake Washington High School, is a Sustainability Ambassador. He provided an update on sustainability activities being held in the district. They would like to work with the district to create a workshop for district teachers.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Arman Narula wanted to use Peachtree to distribute fliers in our schools for businesses which are for-profit. Currently, the district only allows non-profits to use Peachtree.

Corky Trewin hoped that the district would work with the three cities and communities to help find the resources to address the needs of homeless students so that they too can be future-ready.

Chris Carlson moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Eric Laliberte.

CONSENT AGENDA

Siri Bliesner, yes; Mark Stuart, yes; Chris Carlson, yes; Eric Laliberte, yes; and Cassandra Sage, yes.

Motion carried.

The following November 2018 vouchers were approved:

APPROVAL OF  
VOUCHERS

General Fund

361339-361608 \$5,350,273.01

Payroll

2866-2878 \$23,548.07

Accounts Payable Direct Deposit \$	10,060,694.38
Acquisition Card	1,103,730.71
Deferred Comp	124,385.00
Department of Revenue	15,523.27
Dept. of Retirement Systems	3,520,463.75
Dept. of Retirement Systems	1,041,629.65
Flex Spending	44,417.95
American Fidelity HAS	9,612.89
Payroll Direct Deposit	14,962,120.02
Payroll Tax Withdrawal	5,270,325.90
Sodexo	68,204.42

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TSA Envoy	327,971.70
VEBA	5,665.99
Vision/(NBN)	75,623.49
Key Bank Processing Fees	\$ 26,484.48
	<u>\$36,656,853.60</u>

Capital Projects

37635-37687	\$1,245,978.61
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ASB

63263-63348	\$53,607.15
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Transportation Vehicle Fund

\$0.00

Private Purpose Trust Fund

2989-2996	\$1,261.18
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Approval of the minutes of the November 19 study session and board meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the December 3, 2018 Human Resources Report.

APPROVAL OF HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

Accepts the donations/grants as identified -

DONATIONS

Acceptance from Clara Barton Elementary PTSA to Clara Barton Elementary School in the amount of \$16,736.00 to provide stipends for math club and choir (\$6,136.00) and support field trips (\$10,600.00).

Acceptance from Christa McAuliffe PTSA to McAuliffe Elementary School in the amount of \$24,889.85 to purchase walkie talkies (\$1,399.85), school supplies and equipment (\$9,490.00), and subscriptions for Accelerated Reader program (\$6,400.00); and support field trips (\$7,600.00).

Acceptance from Eastlake High School PTSA to Eastlake High School in the amount of \$3,750.00 to support drug and alcohol prevention/intervention.

Acceptance from Juanita Rebels Booster Club to Juanita High School in the amount of \$2,557.55 to purchase boys' basketball sports uniforms.

**TOTAL \$47,933.40**

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

Barbara Posthumus, Associate Superintendent, Business and Support Services, provided a recap leading to the development of a 2019 Capital Projects Levy. In 2014, the district formed a Long-Term Facility Task Force to help develop recommendations to reduce overcrowding, accommodate growing enrollment, and continue to provide quality learning environments and experiences for students. Staff and community members provided feedback throughout the process. In November 2015, the Task Force recommended a long-term strategy through 2029-30 that would guide district decisions and plans for building new schools and enlarging aging schools to address anticipated capacity needs. A Bond Advisory Committee was then consulted to develop the funding plan to support the implementation of the long-term facility recommendations. The funding plan included an April 2016 bond that was passed by voters, a February 2018 bond that was not passed, and future bonds positioned for 2022 and 2026.

2019 CAPITAL PROJECTS  
LEVY SECOND  
READING/APPROVAL  
RESOLUTION NO. 2259

The February 2018 bond would have allowed the district to continue adding needed capacity for approximately 2,100 students through facility additions and enhancements but did not receive the required 60% voter approval to pass.

The district continues to have immediate critical capacity needs to be addressed. In order to determine the next course of action, the board received information and considered multiple options for addressing ongoing capacity needs in six study sessions between March and November 2018.

In addition to the work of the board, a Levy Advisory Committee was convened, including community and staff representatives, to provide feedback on the proposed recommendations to the Board. The Advisory Committee met twice in October to review past actions and strategies, enrollment and capacity needs, critical project options and election timelines. The Board received information on preliminary recommendations at two study sessions.

Barbara Posthumus continued and indicated that Resolution No. 2259, Capital Projects Levy, authorizes a six-year levy totaling \$120 million or an average of \$20 million per year for six years. Levy funds would pay for critical projects to address rapid enrollment growth and student safety and security. Proposed projects include: classroom additions at Lake Washington High School, including auxiliary gyms and commons; classroom additions at Carson Elementary, Franklin Elementary, Rose Hill Elementary, and Twain Elementary, including expansion of core facilities where feasible; and district-wide student safety and security upgrades.

The estimated tax rates per \$1,000 of assessed valuation (AV) for 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025 are \$0.29, \$0.28, \$0.27, \$0.26, \$0.25, \$0.25 respectively. The district currently funds construction projects through prior bond measures. With the addition of a 6-year levy, the tax rate for construction will be maintained at the current rate of \$1.16 of \$1,000 assessed valuation (AV) through the combination of prior bonds and the 6-year capital project levy.

The overall tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, including this measure and previously approved bond and levy measures is estimated to be \$2.60 in 2019 and is estimated to remain at \$2.60 in 2020 and beyond.

King County requires notification of at least 60 days prior to the election date in order to certify the measures for inclusion on the ballot. The deadline for the April 23, 2019 election is February 22, 2019.

Mrs. Posthumus responded to board members questions.

Ms Bliesner related that the board has held several study sessions to identify critical needs in the district and build capacity in multiple places. She appreciated the work that staff has been to address these issues.

Eric Laliberte moved that the Board of Directors adopts Resolution No. 2259, Capital Projects Levy. Motion seconded by Chris Carlson.

Motion carried.

Mike Van Orden, Associate Superintendent, Student Academic Success Services, presented ER- 2, Interdisciplinary Content Knowledge, for science. He responded to board members' questions.

ER-2, INTERDISCIPLINARY  
CONTENT KNOWLEDGE &  
SCIENCE

Dr. Stavem stated that at the November 5, 2018 board meeting, ER-2, Math, was presented. The Board has identified and documented comments with respect to assertions of progress and exceptions.

APPROVAL OF ER-2,  
INTERDISCIPLINARY  
CONTENT  
MONITORING REPORT -  
MATHEMATICS

Sir Bliesner thanked Chris Carlson for drafting the Assertion of Progress and Exception form for Mathematics which the board reviewed and discussed.

Chris Carlson moved to approve the ER-2, Math, monitoring report and Assertion of Progress and Exception form as presented, recognizing that reasonable interpretation is aligned with the Ends Policy and represents appropriate targets for outcomes. Further, this monitoring report demonstrates while there was not full achievement of the Ends Policy Interpretation, the Board believes that the evidence demonstrates reasonable partial achievement toward the Ends Policy interpretation. Seconded by Cassandra Sage.

Motion seconded.

PROGRAM REPORT

Dr. Jon Holmen, Deputy Superintendent, presented information on the district's graduation rates. For the Class of 2018, there were 1,802 students. He noted that of those, 1,671 started with the district in 9<sup>th</sup> grade and 131 transferred into the district. There were 57 students who dropped out, and 58 students continuing beyond their four years; this is the lowest number on record. This means that 1,687 students graduated on time in the Class of 2018. This is 93.6% which is the highest on-time graduation rate for the district. He reviewed the on-time graduation rates for the last five years. With the extended graduation rate for 2017, it would be 95.5% - again, the highest graduation rate for the district.

GRADUATION RATES

Dr. Stavem noted that as we start the new year, we will begin holding Community Engagement Forums to help engage our community in structured conversations. This feedback will begin to update the district's strategic plan and student profile. Also, we will be informing the public about the district's upcoming levy. She thanked the community for their continued support.

SUPERINTENDENT  
REPORT

Eric Laliberte conveyed that meetings will be set-up with area legislators to share with them the 2019 Legislative Priorities.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Eric Laliberte moved to adjourn. Seconded by Chris Carlson.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:150 p.m.

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Siri Bliesner, President

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Jane Stavem, Superintendent

Diane Jenkins  
Recording Secretary