

**MINUTES  
of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors  
of the ENUMCLAW SCHOOL DISTRICT #216  
6:30 p.m.  
December 3, 2018**

**I – PRELIMINARY**

**A. Call to Order:**

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by Bryan Stanwood, President of the Board of Directors, at 6:30 p.m. at the Black Diamond Elementary library.

**B. Roll Call:**

All board members were present except student representatives Emma Murphy and Foster Barnhart, who were excused.

**II – WORKSHOP STUDY SESSION**

**A. Honorary Diploma Celebration for Mr. Joseph Zumek:**

The board recognized Black Diamond High School alumnus Joseph Zumek with an honorary high school diploma for the graduating class of 1943. Mr. Zumek was unable to complete high school as he enlisted in the military to fight in WWII during the spring of his senior year. Mr. Zumek was given a cap, gown and tassel and was presented with an official diploma. The ceremony was followed by a short recess to enjoy congratulatory cake. The recess began at 6:37 p.m. and the meeting was called back to order at 6:58 p.m.

**B. Black Diamond Elementary Presentation:**

Mrs. Garton, Principal of Black Diamond Elementary, welcomed the board and congratulated them for begin awarded with the Board of Distinction honor. She then welcomed Superintendent Nelson and congratulated him on his Superintendent of the Year honor. Mrs. Garton thanked Mr. Nelson and the board for their hard work, heart, and leadership for the district.

Mrs. Garton then welcomed fifth grade student, Michael Bell, who would be in charge of narrating the evening. Michael explained that the theme of the evening would be “Night at the Museum,” and the board would be guided to three different exhibits showcasing three main topics: choice, collaboration and community. The tour began with the choice exhibit, where student Austin Martin explained Genius Hour and Intentional Play. Video clips were shown from the classrooms of Mrs. Mullis and Mrs. Evans, in which kindergarten students were shown using puzzles and shapes to explore, collaborate and problem solve using teamwork. Another set of videos, from the classrooms of Ms. Lindberg and Mrs. Bezon, showed first grade students highly engaged in building their own creations using imagination and problem solving. Continuing the choice exhibit, the board was presented with fourth and fifth grade Genius Hour projects. Students have eight weeks to plan, pitch, research, blog and share their learning using one hour each week. Five students were present with Chromebooks and display boards to describe their chosen projects.

The next stop on the tour was the collaboration exhibit. Here, student Mario Sandoval explained music class and small group science in third grade classrooms. A video clip was shown from Mrs. Chan’s music class, in which students were listening to a beat and then writing the rhythm using popsicle sticks.

A second video was shown of a third grade science class learning to work in small groups, sharing opinions, participating in deep discussions, further wondering, and remaining excited about learning!

The third stop of the evening was the community exhibit. Here the board was shown the IDEA project and conferencing during P.E. class. For the IDEA project, a video was shown of student interviews after learning about what it is like to live with varying disabilities. Students discussed lessons learned to have empathy, be kind, treat everyone equally, offer help, and be respectful. Another video was shown of P.E. students conferencing in small groups to set goals and monitor growth around physical education challenges. Students in Mrs. Repanich's class were discussing physical activities they could perform at home, to help increase their physical activity scores at school.

In closing, the board was directed back into the library where they were able to ask questions and engage in conversations with several Black Diamond Elementary students. When asked what their favorite part of Black Diamond Elementary was, the kindness of students and staff was an overwhelming theme!

**C. Strategic Plan Update:**

Mr. Nelson and the cabinet updated the board on ways in which the strategic plan and newly implemented theory of action statement has had an impact from administration, to staff, and to students. Mr. Nelson stated the theory of action has become a link to bring all elements of the strategic plan together. Members of the cabinet shared examples of how the plan and theory of action have been put to work throughout the district this year. Collective bargaining, a newly implemented Secondary Instructional Leadership Cadre, professional development schedules, a new literacy initiative, safety and security (a new School Resource Officer), risk assessment trainings and community events were all discussed. Mr. Nelson noted that cabinet and the board are always aiming to improve the strategic plan and the cabinet aims to keep the document fluid for continuous edits and improvements as learning continues. In closing, the cabinet and board discussed current services to ready students for after high school plans, and what goals and additions can be made in the future.

**D. WSSDA Debrief:**

The board debriefed the WSSDA 2018 Annual Conference in Spokane November 14-17.

**III — EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No executive session was needed

**IV — BOARD PROCESS DEBRIEF**

The board debriefed the meeting.

This meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

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President, Board of Directors

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Secretary, Board of Directors