

MINUTES
of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors
of the ENUMCLAW SCHOOL DISTRICT #216
Southwood - 6:30 p.m.
Sunrise – 7:30 p.m.
November 3, 2014

I – PRELIMINARY

A. Call to Order:

The special meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by Tina McGann, Vice-President of the Board of Directors, at 6:40 p.m. at Southwood Elementary.

B. Roll Call:

All board members were present except for Nancy Merrill and April Schroeder who were excused.

II – ADMINISTRATION/BUSINESS

A. Southwood Presentation:

Principal Susan Arbury along with Lynn Lofstrom, Laura Johnson and students Angel and Julia presented for Southwood. Ms. Arbury shared that “Southwood Growth Stories” is their theme. She also shared information about Southwood’s SIP and the district writing goals. Students are learning narrative, opinion and informational writing using the new Lucy Calkins curriculum. November 7th is the first post-assessment for writing and teachers expect to see growth. Teacher Laura Johnson held a writers conference with two of her third grade students. She demonstrated how she would talk to her students with Angel and Julia. Both students compared a sample piece of writing from the beginning of school to this week and talked to Mrs. Johnson about their strengths and weaknesses and how the teacher could support them to be better writers. Mrs. Arbury referenced the Southwood SIP plan in Reading, sharing the strategy of early identification. There is a dedicated reading block for every student every day with targeted interventions as needed. Southwood encourages an enrichment program for all students. Students who are not participating in Magic Strings enrichment program are participating in Quest. In Quest, students rotate through an arts activity every 5 weeks. This allows students to spend time in a variety of enrichment activities. Southwood staff is excited about their goals and look forward to seeing continued student growth in many areas including reading, writing and math.

B. Sunrise Presentation:

Kyle Fletcher introduced himself to the board as the new principal to Sunrise Elementary. He began with sharing his story, how he came to be in education, his previous experience and why he applied for the Sunrise Principal position. Mr. Fletcher is thrilled to have been selected to lead

Sunrise and has focused his energies in the first couple of months on building relationships with staff, students and families.

Moving to the SIP plan, Mr. Fletcher chose a few areas of the narrative portion of his SIP to review with the board. One area he highlighted was the section on a Clear and Shared Focus. Mr. Fletcher shared some of the work they are doing: identifying literacy support teams, implementing the Lucy Calkins writing curriculum, continuing seminar time with staff once a week, sharing positive success stories at staff meetings and utilizing and expanding the outdoor learning area. He then shared the goals section for the SIP plan, quickly reviewing the reading, writing and math sections of the plan. Mr. Fletcher recognized and was grateful for the strong sense of community and foundation left by Mr. Beals. The only changes required to start the year were due to the changes in LAP laws.

B. Bond Update:

Mr. Nelson shared that the Community Bond Information Meetings would take place Tuesday and Thursday this week at Enumclaw High School and Black Diamond Elementary. He hoped to see everyone there. The calculations came back that a replacement bond at \$1.60/\$1,000 would bring in \$3,000 more than the bid from BLRB for the construction projects at Enumclaw High School and Black Diamond Elementary. Over 100 surveys have been returned, either on-line or hard copy, and the comments have been positive. Board student representative, Gia Landis, shared her excitement about volunteering to work with the bond committee!

III – DEBRIEF MEETING

No discussion

IV – ADJOURNMENT

This meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

President, Board of Directors

Secretary, Board of Directors