

Nooksack Valley School District #506
NV District Office-Room 211
3326 E Badger Road
Everson, Wa 98247

Visitors

Meva Janeway
Jackie DeVries
John DeVries
Katie DeVries
Krista Brisky

Hannah Ordos
Lindsay Anderson

Administrators

Megan Vigre
Kim McGee

The regular meeting of the Nooksack Valley School Board of Directors was called to order by Chairman, Steve Jones, at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 17, 2022.

Cheryl Thornton moved, and Mark Olson seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2022 regular meeting.

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- a. Meva Janeway commented on her concerns for public education and referenced numerous concerning actions she has heard from other places, wanted to ensure those things were not happening at Nooksack.
- b. A question was raised on how “books are chosen,” and discussion followed. It was communicated that books are chosen for several reasons, including but not limited to the connection to the curriculum, provides appropriate perspective taking, allows for windows into other experiences, to allow for empathy and understanding, are age appropriate, uphold the values of dignity, acceptance, and belonging. Books are not chosen if they: purport a certain perspective, try to influence beliefs, do not have a strong connection to the curriculum, and are not age appropriate.
- c. There were also informal questions and answers regarding social emotional learning and a question about the redistricting ballot measure that was to be discussed in the superintendent’s report.

Jason Heutink moved and Cheryl Thornton seconded the motion to approve the hire of:

- a. Ashley Bajema, Food Services Assistant, High School
 - i. Effective 10/24/2022
- b. Sarah Iverson, Para Educator III, Sumas Elementary School
 - i. Effective 11/04/2022

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Halli Kimball moved, and Cheryl Thornton seconded the motion to approve Resolution No. 4 Designation of Applicant's Agent.

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Mark Olson moved, and Jason Heutink seconded the motion to approve Resolution No. 5 General Fund Warrants

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First Reading. No action taken.

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Superintendent Matt Galley gave a brief report on the following:

Enrollment Trends

Over the last four years enrollment has varied (1845, 1819, 1790, 1813). Federal monies have been used to fill gap in overstaffing to allow for smaller-than-normal class sizes. When those dollars run out, unless enrollment increases beyond pre-covid levels, decisions will have to be made.

Strategic Plan

Vision For Student Experience

a. Description: A vision for student experience is a holistic description of what educators want students to feel and encounter over the course of their time at school. It integrates social, emotional, and academic learning and is simply a description of what we want students to feel at school.

b. Purpose: A clear vision for student experience allows educators to attend to student' overall development, well-being, culture, and sense of belonging. Ultimately, it describes what it takes to have happy and proud students.

c. Perceptual Data

Suicide Prevention

a. Kim McGee and Lindsay Anderson gave a brief presentation on suicide awareness and prevention training and measures the district continues to take to support mental health in the district.

Teaching and Learning

a. Megan Vigre briefly shared the work she and our 3 TOSAs (teachers on special assignment) are doing to support K-5 teachers through "Labs" and new teachers.

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Construction

District Office

- a. Substantial completion Dec. 1
- b. Furniture installed 12/12-12/14
- c. December board meeting in new space (12/16 12:00 pm)

Sumas

- a. Continued warranty odds/ends
- b. Telecom to aux. gym
- c. ADA enhancements (automatic doors, extra ramp)

Bus Garage

- a. Final 'flood' survey being conducted (requested by city)
- b. Final permitting (Freeland)
- c. Submitting official request to OSPI early December

Board Reassignment

Superintendent Matt Galley explained the next steps of the approved Proposition 2022-7 which include:

- a. Resolution at December board meeting approving the new boundaries and assigning a director to each.
- b. Submitting appropriate documents to the county auditor to certify.
- c. The process should be completed and finalized by the end of January.

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by law have been recorded on a listing made available to the Board.

As of the 17th of November 2022, the Board on a motion by Cheryl Thornton and a second by Halli Kimball and a unanimous vote does approve for payment, the payroll and the vouchers included in the presented list and further described as follows:

General Fund Check No.	135069 to 135079;	total	\$5,005.85
General Fund Check No.	135080 to 135096;	total	\$402,131.29
General Fund Check No.	135097 to 135162;	total	\$121,528.53
Capital Projects Fund No.	135163 to 135170;	total	\$456,634.82
ASB Fund Check No.	135171 to 135191;	total	\$16,590.07
General Fund Check No.	135193 to 135276	total	\$267,630.07

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The board entered into a brief session at 8:48 to discuss a legal matter. The session ended at 8:58.

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The board briefly discussed the options for reassignment of director districts. A formal plan will be presented and approved at the December 15 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Chairman of the Board

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Directors

Steve Jones, Chairman

Jason Heutink

Mark Olson

Halli Kimball

Cheryl Thornton

Matt Galley,

Supt./Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

**MINUTES APPROVED
REGULAR MEETING**

COMMUNICATIONS

**EMPLOYMENT FOR
THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL
YEAR APPROVED**

**APPROVE RESOLUTION
No. 4 DESIGNATION OF
APPLICANT'S AGENT**

**APPROVE RESOLUTION
No. 5 GENERAL FUND
WARRANTS**

**POLICY 3112- SOCIAL
EMOTIONAL CLIMATE**

**POLICY 3225-
SCHOOL BASED
THREAT ASSESSMENT**

**SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT**

**VOUCHERS AND
PAYROLL PAYMENT
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EXECUTIVE SESSION

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

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