

<p>STEILACOOM HISTORICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, January 26, 2011 – 7:00 p.m. Steilacoom High School 54 Sentinel Drive Steilacoom Washington</p>

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Steilacoom Historical School District #1 was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Scouts Pack 71.
- B. Roll Call - Sam Scott, Mike Winkler, Don Denning, Kevin Callanan and Bill Fritz, Secretary/Superintendent were present. Jeni Martinez was absent and excused.
- C. Approval of Agenda – Mr. Denning moved to approve the agenda; Mr. Callanan seconded the motion and the motion passed (4/0).

Chair Winkler acknowledged the attendance of Mayors Lucas, Steilacoom, and Jenkins, DuPont, and DuPont Councilmember Wilcox.

II. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

- The Steilacoom High School Cheer Seniors (Morgan Henson, Abby Kozyra, Daniela Urrego and Victoria Baylon) thanked the Board for approving their trip to WIAA State competition where they received first place in the non-tumbling division.
- Chair Winkler received a letter from Ms. Jaimie Garrett, Steilacoom, voicing concerns regarding an item on the Consent Agenda. All Board members have read the letter and her concerns. Mr. Winkler summarized her concerns and thanked her for bringing her concerns to the attention of the Board. The complete letter is attached. Mr. Winkler will be in contact with Ms. Garrett.

III. SCHOOL BOARD RECONGNITION

Superintendent Fritz recognized each Board Director with a certificate. DuPont Mayor Jenkins and Steilacoom Mayor Lucas presented proclamations of January as School Board Recognition Month and DuPont Council Wilcox acknowledged the working relationship between the school district and two cities. Superintendent Fritz noted a letter of Board acknowledgement had been received from the Anderson Island Citizens' Advisory Board. Each school PTA or Booster Club acknowledged the work of the School Board with unique gifts reflective of the students and staff of the school. Board Directors thanked the community for the recognition and support.

IV. RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFIED TEACHERS (NBCT)

Executive Director Weight introduced Carole Gonglewski, NBCT, who explained the commitment, standards and assessments required to become a National Board Certified Teachers. Twenty teachers were acknowledged and recognized with a certificate and reception.

Terry Bader	Steilacoom High School
Kristen Barton	Saltar's Point
Brett Bradshaw	Chloe Clark
Hillary Britt	WAVA
Rachel Croft	Saltar's Point
Amanda Gates	Steilacoom High School
Carole Gonglewski	Saltar's Point
Wendl Kilga	Pioneer Middle School
Cathleen Klm	WAVA
Karen Knowles	WAVA
Teresa Litt	Steilacoom High School
Robert Mize	Steilacoom High School
Wendy Moore	WAVA
Lanae Olson	Cherrydale
Lillian Page	Saltar's Point
Russell Rice	Steilacoom High School
Joy Roth	WAVA
Michelle Salgado	Chloe Clark
Louann Stalder	Chloe Clark
Casey Wyatt	Pioneer Middle School

V. RECOGNITION RECEPTION – 7:27 – 7:43 pm

VI. RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of 1/12/11 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes – Mr. Denning moved to approve the minutes; Mr. Scott seconded the motion and the motion passed (4/0).
- B. Approval of 1/20/11 Special School Board Meeting Minutes – Mr. Callanan moved to approve the minutes; Mr. Winkler seconded the motion and the motion passed (2/0).

VIII. REPORTS

- A. Financial Report – Executive Director Barnes reported on the current fund balances, January 2011 enrollment, apportionment, potential transportation purchase and building stipends.
- B. Maintenance/ Capital Projects Report – Jean Marc LeRoy updated the Board on projects at Anderson Island, Pioneer Middle School-DuPont and Steilacoom, the high school and high school North property and miscellaneous district projects.
- C. School Data Solutions – Principal McClure demonstrated an on-line, real time data assessment system being utilized by the district.
- D. Legislative Report – Chair Winkler summarized proposed legislative bills with potential impact on the District.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Denning moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Scott seconded the motion and the motion passed (4/0).

- A. Approval of January 2011 End of Month Accounts Payable & Cancelled Warrants
- B. Approval of Certificated Personnel Report

NEW HIRE 2010-11					
Name	Position	Building	Timeframe	Stipend/Timesheet	Amount
YUCKERT, Heather	Math Tutor	PIO MS	1.2 Hrs/Day 2 Days Week	Timesheet	\$25/Hr
FORSBERG, Eric	Math Tutor	PIO MS	1.2 Hrs/Day 2 Days Week	Timesheet	\$25/Hr
*NOTE: PTA will reimburse District for Salaries					
CUSHMAN, Helen	Preschool Team Leader	Cherrydale		Stipend	\$500.00

C. Approval of Classified Personnel Report

NEW HIRE 2010-11					
Name	Position	Building	Pd. By Stipend	Pd. By Timesheet	
OVERGAARD, Eric	Campus Supervisor - 8 hrs/day	SHS		replacement	
SCHILLING, Mariclaire	Para (Transportation) - 4.7 hrs/day	Pioneer MS		new position	
RESIGNATIONS					
Name	Position	Building			
ARNOLD, Lonnie	Campus Supervisor	Pioneer MS	*Effective 1/5/2011		

- D. Approval of District wide Surplus Items
- E. Approval of Pioneer Middle School Jazz Ensemble Trip to University of Idaho

X. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Second Reading of Policy 2410, High School Requirements _ Executive Director Weight presented the revised policy with one of the changes being the DigiTools class moving to the middle school curriculum. Mr. Scott moved to approve the policy; Mr. Callanan seconded the motion and the motion passed (4/0).
- B. Second Reading of Policy 3207, Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying– Executive Director Mills noted no changes from the first reading. Mr. Denning moved to approve Policy 3207. Mr. Scott seconded the motion and the motion passed (4/0).

XI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. First Reading of Policy 6022, Fund Balances – Executive Director Barnes presented the new policy regarding fund balances. Mr. Denning made the motion to move the policy to a second reading; Mr. Scott seconded the motion and the motion passed (4/0).
- B. Superintendent Contract Renewal – Chair Winkler presented the July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2014 contract renewal for Mr. Fritz. There are no changes in the terms of the contract. Mr. Scott made the motion to offer Mr. Fritz a three year contract renewal. Mr. Callanan seconded the motion and the motion passed (4/0).

XII. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

No comments.

XIII. BOARD COMMUNICATION

- Mr. Scott noted that contact information for local legislators is available on the agenda table along with a list of bills before the Legislature.
- Mr. Denning received an update communication regarding Lacrosse participation. The community member is working with District staff.
- Mr. Winkler noted the letter read into Comments from the Audience from Jamie Garrett and an email from Karen Duggins regarding kitchen equipment in Pioneer Middle School-Steilacoom.

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Superintendent Fritz congratulated the high school Cheer Team and Ms. Sortore on their first place finish competing against 15 teams in their category.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Scott moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Mr. Denning seconded the motion, and the motion passed (4/0).

(Chair)

(Secretary/Superintendent)

Dear School Board and Superintendent Fritz,

I am sorry I am unable to attend the January 26th school board meeting. Please read these comments into the public minutes of that meeting. I received the agenda via email on January 25th from Celeste Johnson and am concerned about the Pioneer PTA tutoring stipend.

I would like to bring up some points that may or may not have been considered with this generous offer from the PTA at Pioneer. I commend the PTA for wanting to do something to improve the education of students, but feel this may cause more harm than good (and by no intentional means on any one part.)

If just one parent feels their child should not fundraise to pay for stipends, the ripple effect gets going and then divisions start to take place within the building, PTA membership and possibly the community. In the 90's this is what happened in our district after suffering years of levy losses. PTA's had students fundraise to buy books for curriculum and the libraries, classroom supplies etc. and this caused division amongst many. It was only a few that voiced their opinions the loudest that set the motion in place. Back then, as it is now, it is the responsibility of the district to pay salaries and curriculum within the district. Many teachers in our district choose to volunteer their time before and after school and once they find out that one PTA is compensating a couple staff members at \$25 per hour, it may, and probably will cause hard feelings. Feelings of 'why am I not worth this stipend?' This may also lead staff to put pressure on the other PTA's and the high school Booster Club to fundraise and give restricted funds to the district to pay for additional stipends of ALL kinds. Once a precedent is set the envelope gets pushed and we all know how that works. This is where the division starts to set in within staff, boards and the community. If other clubs say no, I feel staff may stop volunteering which will hurt more students than the few this concept was meant to help.

When you think about the \$60 per week the two new hires would make in gross pay per week, and the approximate 17% the district would have to pay in payroll taxes, verses the number of actual students this may benefit, is it worth the risk you may be entering into? What is the criteria for students to be eligible for the tutoring and how many at a time per tutor? What if a parent complains their child needs the tutoring but the after school sessions are full and that student can't be tutored? How do you deal with that family? Is it worth the extra time you need to expend dealing with the negative situation that is now taking place?

I spoke with the Pat Nelson at the State PTA today and she wanted to know if Pioneer had this issue spelled out in their by-laws and standing rules; if they had a general membership meeting with this on the agenda and voted on; if they had completed form 1023 to the IRS to notify them of this? All questions in turn I called and spoke with Cheri Breitingner about this morning and she needed to confirm with Kim (sorry I missed her last name but she is on the Pioneer PTA board) to see if this had been done.

I then spoke with the Soundview Union to see if this was an issue with contracts which it sounds like is not at this point. They will include Jeff Wood in an email to see if the PTA plans to continue this after next year which would then need to be dealt with at bargaining, so I'll stay out of this issue. I called only to see if these two tutoring positions should have been posted district wide so all staff would have the

opportunity to apply for the extra stipend. I understand it is typical to open stipends within the building which they apply so this was not done.

I know it is hard to turn away something that is meant to be good, and trust me I am not trying to be negative, (and NO, Eric would not have applied for this stipend so it is not for our own financial gain that I am concerned), I just see more harm and time dealing with this in many aspects in the future.

I have not talked with Cheri, or any other PTA member about options/solutions, but maybe the district and PTA could table this to continue looking at ideas before accepting this. Perhaps the PTA could provide these funds in the form of "scholarships" to a local licensed tutoring company to benefit Pioneer Middle School students? Just a thought to start more dialogue...

Thank you for reading this into public comments, I appreciate it.

Sincerely,

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