



**Study Session of the Board of Directors  
Meeting Minutes  
Pioneer Middle School, 1750 Bob's Hollow Lane, DuPont, WA  
Wednesday, April 13, 2022**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rohrer called the meeting to order at 6:16 pm.

Executive Director Susanne Beauchaine led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Rohrer, Vice Chair McDonald, Director Hogan, Director Scott, and Director Tinsley all present.

Director McDonald made a motion to approve the agenda, Director Tinsley seconded the motion, and the motion passed (5/0).

II. STUDY SESSION TOPIC FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

A. Supporting Positive Student Behaviors and Learning Environments

Gudrun Sullivan, Susanne Beauchaine, and Tabitha Ellison shared information regarding the district supporting positive student behaviors and learning environments. The presentation shared reactions and behavioral health symptoms in disasters (COVID-19), the effects of disasters on students, how these effects are showing up in our schools, and how we are responding and supporting our students. The presentation also reviewed Policy and Procedure 3241 Student Discipline. An example of the process of Creating a Hope Pathway for a student was shared, and the team reinforced that the district's primary goal is to ensure a safe and healthy learning environment for all students and staff. Questions and discussion followed.

B. Expansion of District SRO Program

Superintendent Weight introduced Shawn Lewis, Director of Community Relations and Planning, who shared a status report regarding the expansion of the district SRO program at Pioneer Middle School with the City of DuPont Police Department. The district has engaged both students and families to receive input about the expansion of the SRO program. Pioneer Middle School Principal JoAnne Fernandes will continue to do further community outreach throughout April and May. The district anticipates the interlocal agreement will be ready to be presented to the board for approval in May. The interlocal agreement with the City of DuPont will be very similar to the interlocal agreement the district currently has with the Town of Steilacoom. The SRO will be funded by permanent new state resources specifically for this purpose. Questions and discussion followed.

C. Board Outreach

Chair Rohrer shared the district's mission and vision, and said our district can do a much better job communicating positive messaging with our community. She shared about L2, a data organization. She wants the district to reach out further to the communities represented by our district via email on a quarterly basis to build a relationship with the community. Director

Hogan questioned which staff members would produce these emails messages. He stated that Dr. Weight would need to ascertain which staff members would complete this task, and the Board would need to be clear on expectations. Director Scott questioned what the content would be, and if the information could be shared in The Suburban Times. Director Hogan suggested the project be student-led and students would create the articles/content. Dr. Weight wants to make sure it is appropriate for a school district to purchase email addresses, and wants to research the idea further. Dr. Weight will conduct further research and bring back a report to the board at a future Study Session.

Chair Rohrer also shared a resolution honoring the parents and families of Steilacoom Historical School District. She wants this resolution presented at the May board meeting, and wants enhancements by the district in the way the district engages with families.

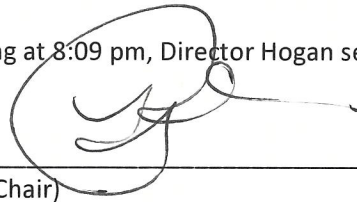
Chair Rohrer then shared about the Board Brief, a document that communicates with parents about what the board is working on. District staff created Board Briefs for the months of January and February. Chair Rohrer wanted this document created, but it was not officially shared/approved by the other members of the board. Director Scott shared this is a duplicate of the board minutes. He would prefer this document be authored by the board, not by district staff, and be something different than board minutes. Director Scott volunteered his time to work on this project and create monthly updates.

Chair Rohrer shared about Coffee with the Board. Director Tinsley shared about having a board "meet and greet" with the community this summer, with a couple of meetings in DuPont, Steilacoom, and Anderson Island, and inviting the public to come and have an informal chat with board members. Director Scott also suggested being visible at community events in both Steilacoom and DuPont.

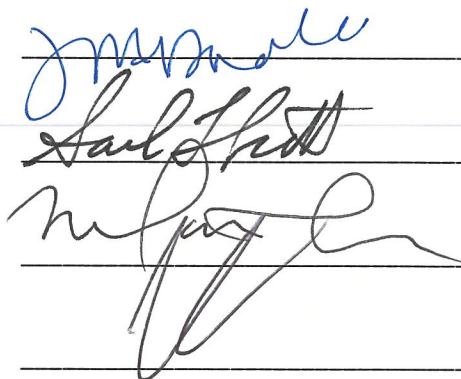
Finally, Chair Rohrer shared regarding Steilacoom Kiwanis sponsoring a National Night Out on August 2. She is co-chairing the event and the school board is invited to participate in the event.

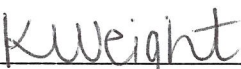
III. ADJOURNMENT

Director Tinsley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 pm, Director Hogan seconded the motion, and the motion passed (5/0).



(Chair)



  
(Secretary/Superintendent)