NEWPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 11, 2016

1. The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Newport School District was called to order by Director Wilson at 5:00 p.m. in the District Board Room.

2. Roll Call: April Owen, Jim Brewster, Mitch Stratton, Paul Wilson, Connie Moore, Board of Directors; Dave Smith, Superintendent and Debra Buttrey, Business Manager. There were 10 visitors in attendance.

3. Motion to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda:
   Motion made by Director Owen, seconded by Director Moore to approve the agenda and consent agenda. Vote was unanimous.

4. Minutes of the regular meeting held December 7, 2015 will stand as corrected.

5. Consent Agenda:

   A. New Hire: Lisa Claar, MS Secretary
      Jared Horton, P-12 Behavioral/Instruct. Assist
      Jennifer Gervais, P-12 Behavioral/Instruct. Assist
      Scott Pillers, HS Asst. Wrestling Coach

   B. Resignation: Kim Ralston, HS Math Teacher
      Rebekah Clark, P-4 Instruct. Assist

6. Individuals or Groups Wishing to Address the Board:
   Bob Ugen, who introduced himself as part of the Pend Oreille Co. Democrats, wanted to speak with the Board about the upcoming presidential Democratic caucus on March 26. He has been working with Newport High School office staff to reserve space in the high school to use for the democratic caucus. He is requesting that the Facilities Use fee’s be waived for this event. He also shared a letter from Jay Inslee-Governor, Randy Dorn- Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Kim Wyman-Secretary of State. In the letter it stated that they were urging school officials to make the facilities available for the Republican and Democratic presidential caucuses. They also added that the School Board of Directors allow the caucuses to meet in the building without charge.

7. Financial Reports (m): Debra Buttrey

   A. Approval of December Accounts Payable (m) General Fund Warrant Numbers 212969 through 213108 in the amount of $248,088.30 Motion to approve December Accounts Payable made by Director Owen, seconded by Director Brewster. Vote was unanimous.
B. Approval of December Payroll (m)  General Fund Warrant Numbers 212882 through 212968 in the amount of $795,085.37 Motion to approve December Payroll made by Director Owen, seconded by Director Moore. Vote was unanimous.

C. Debra supplied 3 handouts and went over the content with those present. White: Enrollment is up 25.52 over what was budgeted. Green: General Fund Cash Flow Balance Blue: General Fund Expenditures by Program

8. Old Business:

9. New Business:

A. Hagen Foundation Grant, David Bradbury
Mr. Bradbury started out by saying that about a year and a half ago this Hagen Foundation process was started. Last year it was very successfully processed and the High School KUBS FM Radio received almost $25,000. As part of receiving the grant, he was required to report to the Hagen Foundation last spring, providing an account of exactly how the money was being used. Mr. Bradbury stated that he has once again applied for the Hagen Foundation Grant, adding that last month he received the news that Newport School District was the highest ranked to receive the grant, due in part to the wonderfully prepared grant and the presentation that was made last spring, which is an incredible honor and compliment. Looking forward, the goal of KUBS FM is to become fully functional over the radio but to also launch online. Director Owen mentioned that as a parent it was great to be able to watch “two games at once”, because of the online program.

B. “The Grizzly Way” Update, Troy Whittle
Mr. Whittle showed the Board a 14 minute video made by many of the staff at Newport High School that, in essence, explains what the Grizzly Way is. It is viewable online, under You Tube “The Grizzly Way”.

C. Building Reports
Mr. Moser started by thanking the Board for their service and he expressed his gratitude to each of the School Board Members for Board Appreciation Month. He then gave a brief rundown of the middle school. Including how the staff is working on positive discipline and that during the Professional Development Day on January 4, there was a lot of great discussion on setting students up for success. Which he feels has been a great atmosphere for students to come back to after the Winter Break.

Mrs. Erickson then gave an update on the elementary school. She said that for the Professional Development in her building, they too were working on student success, adding that there has been a lot of support within the building. Mrs. Erickson said that teachers have been great at successfully screening student academically but they are now also focusing on behavior.
D. Superintendent Smith reported that the "Every Child Succeeds" act is expected to pass and the main thing is that this new law will give back control locally for school districts, rather than the control being at the federal level.
Mr. Smith added that he is planning on meeting with Steve Shumski and Troy Whittle to look into adding more vocational programs at the high school.

10. Policies (m):
   A. Policies for First Reading:
   B. Policies for Second Reading:

11. Miscellaneous:

12. Agenda Items for the February 8, 2016 Board Meeting to be held at 5:00 PM in the District Board Room
   
   A. Financial Reports
   B. Executive Session

13. Hearing no objections, Director Owen adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 6:05 PM.

14. Board Appreciation

   Cake was enjoyed by those in attendance to thank the Board Members for Board Appreciation Month. Superintendent Smith also presented each Board Member with Newport Grizzly shirts.

[Signatures]
Chair/Vice Chair of the Board
Secretary of the Board

[Date] 2-8-16