SUMNER SCHOOL DISTRICT

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SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Board of Directors
Casey Chamberlain, President
Erin Markquart, Vice President
Deb Norris, Legislative Rep.
Richard Hendricks, Member
Paul Bucich, Member

Mission
We believe it is our responsibility to ensure the best education for every student, every day, in every classroom. We believe in success for students and staff every day.

September 9, 2015 Study Session – Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order: 6:30 p.m.**
   President, Casey Chamberlain, called the September 9 Meeting of the Board of Directors of Sumner School District No. 320 to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Office Board Room.

   Present:
   Casey Chamberlain, Erin Markquart, Deb Norris Richard Hendricks
   Superintendent, Dr. Sara Johnson; Career and College Readiness Executive Director, Sharon Fochtman; Assistant Superintendent, Laurie Dent; Secondary Academic Officer, Deb Barlow; Assistant Superintendent, Marc Brouillet; Child Nutrition Director, Karen Brown; ELL and Student Services Director, Tyler Stiner; Education Support Services Officer, Steve Sjolund; Special Services Officer, Keoni Smith; Communications Manager, Sarah Gillispie; Bonney Lake High School Principal, Cris Turner; Elementary Academic Officer, Beth Dykman; Secondary Literacy Director, Kassie Meath; Career and Technical Education Intern, Shannon Thiessen; Research and Assessment Director, Dan Lysne; K-12 Math Director, Kelly Denn; Elementary Literacy Program Administrator, Elli McDaniel; Early Learning Program Administrator, Laurie Sjolund; Athletic Director, Tim Thomsen; K-12 Student Leadership and Community Outreach Program Administrator, John Norlin; Chief Technology Officer, Sandy Maynard; Chief Financial Officer, Deb Campbell; Recording Secretary, Bailey Ottenad

   Visitors: 1

2. **Flag Salute**

   School Board President, Casey Chamberlain, excused Director Paul Bucich, from the Study Session.

3. **Approval of Agenda**
   Moved by Deb Norris that the Board approve the agenda as presented; Seconded by Erin Markquart. Motion passed unanimously

4. **Reports**
   a. Summer Lunch Program
   Child Nutrition Director, Karen Brown, presented an overview of the District's nutrition summer programs at Daffodil Valley Elementary, Liberty Ridge Elementary, Roach Gymnastics and both high school summer camps. Breakfast and lunch were provided to Daffodil Valley and Liberty Ridge elementary students totaling 3449 breakfasts and 8573 lunches; 86 breakfasts and 128 lunches were served to students at both high school summer camps; and 262 lunches were

provided to kids at Roach Gymnastics. Looking forward, Child Nutrition is researching the possibility of converting a school bus into a mobile summer meal site.

b. Rationale for Waiving High School Graduation Credits
Secondary Academic Officer, Deb Barlow, presented a rationale to the School Board for waiving high school graduation credits. Deb said that waiving high school graduation credits will only apply to a small number of students that are experiencing unusual life circumstances including medical problems, family emergency, language difficulties, etc. Students can waive 2 out of 4 elective credits.

c. Instructional Materials Adoption
Secondary Academic Officer, Deb Barlow, presented new curriculum IB Chemistry curriculum that will go for first reading at the September 16 Board meeting.

K-12 Student Leadership and Community Outreach Program Administrator, John Norlin, presented new curriculum for 6th and 7th grade Leadership classes that will go for first reading at the September 16 Board meeting.

d. Bond and Facility Planning Update
Communications Manager, Sarah Gillispie, and Educational Support Services Officer, Steve Sjolund, continued conversation on District bond planning. The presentation included an executive summary, timeline of projects, communication strategies, and information from the District bond survey that gauged community knowledge of projects and the need for additional information on specific projects. Sarah Gillispie informed the Board that from survey data, the District needs to provide more information to the community on the needs for an addition at Mountain View Middle School, benefits of an Early Learning Center, the need to expand Bonney Lake High School program offerings, and the Emerald Hills Elementary renovation.

School Board President, Casey Chamberlain, asked that the Policy and Procedure report be presented to the School Board prior to the Capital Facilities Plan review.

e. Policy and Procedure
Assistant Superintendent, Marc Brouillet, reviewed policies 2000 Student Learning Goals, 2005 School Improvement Plans, 2195 Academic Acceleration, 2240 Summer School, and 2418 Waiver of High School Graduation Credits. These policies will come before the School Board for first reading at the September 16 Board meeting.

2418P and 2418F Waiver of High School Graduation Credits were included for Board information.

f. Capital Facilities Plan Review
Educational Support Services Officer, Steve Sjolund, presented a draft version of the 2015-2021 Capital Facilities Plan. An updated plan is submitted annually to the Pierce County Planning Commission and is required for the District to receive impact fees. Attorney, Mary Urback, reviewed details of the plan and answered questions from the Board. A final version of the plan will be presented at the September 16 Board meeting for School Board action.

5. Planning of October Board Meetings
Dr. Sara Johnson led the Board in a conversation regarding October Board meetings. The Board currently has the following meetings scheduled: Board Retreat, October 7, Study Session, October 14, and a Regular Board Meeting, October 21. The Board has decided to schedule a Board Retreat on October 28 to discuss in depth District Bond Planning.

6. September 16 Agenda Review

Dr. Johnson reviewed items on the agenda for the September 16 Board Meeting.

7. Board Discussion

School Board Member, Deb Norris, said that she enjoyed listening to Jon Gordon at Convocation on September 1.

School Board Member, Rick Hendricks, said he feels like the Board is getting presentations that are more thoughtful and planned out. Rick said it makes it a lot easier on the School Board to make decisions when quality, planning has taken place.

School Board Vice President, Erin Markquart, commented on how much she appreciates the follow-up when the School Board asks questions. The Administration is closing the loop on questions that the Board has. Erin thanked everyone for all of the work they do.

School Board President, Casey Chamberlain, said he is trying to create a more comfortable and relaxed environment. Casey said he wants everyone to feel comfortable asking questions.

Dr. Sara Johnson, thanked the School Board and said how much she appreciates the work they do. Dr. Johnson said this is an active Board and they truly want what is best for all.

Dr. Sara Johnson reiterated her excitement for Sumner School District now being ranked #17 in Washington State by internet source, SchoolDigger.com.

8. Executive Session

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act provision for Executive Session, RCW 42.30.110(b), School Board President, Casey Chamberlain, announced an Executive Session for the purposes of discussing a real estate matter. The Executive Session was expected to last 45 minutes. No action was anticipated following the session.

Recessed to Executive Session: 7:41 p.m.
Reconvened: 8:47 p.m.

9. Adjournment

Moved by Deb Norris that the Board adjourn the September 9 meeting of the Board of Directors of Sumner School District; Seconded by Erin Markquart. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned: 8:48 p.m.

Dr. Sara E. Johnson, Secretary
Board of Directors

Attest:

Casey Chamberlain, President
Board of Directors