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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.

January 7, 2015 Study Session – Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order: 7:02 p.m.
President Casey Chamberlain called the January 7 Meeting of the Board of Directors of Sumner School District No. 320 to order at 7:02 p.m. at the Central Office Board Room.

Present:
Casey Chamberlain, Erin Markquart, Richard Hendricks, Paul Bucich
Superintendent, Dr. Sara Johnson; Director of Career and Technical Education, Sharon Fochtman; Assistant Superintendent, Laurie Dent; Assistant Superintendent; Craig Spencer; Curriculum and Instruction Officer, Steve Sjolund; Executive Director of Human Resources, Marc Brouillet; Executive Director of Business Services, Debbie Campbell; Director of Athletics, Tim Thomsen; Director of Maintenance and Operation, Mark Baumgarten; Bonney Lake High Principal, Cris Turner; Sumner High Principal, Bill Gaines; Recording Secretary, Anne Little

Absent:
Deb Norris

Visitors: 0

2. Flag Salute

3. Approval of Agenda
Moved by Rick Hendricks that the Board approve the agenda as presented; Seconded by Paul Bucich. Motion passed unanimously

4. Reports

a. Behavior and Discipline Review
Director of Research and Assessment, Dan Lynse and Director of Student and Legal Services, Linda Masteller presented a baseline for discipline reporting. The Board has requested additional suspension/expulsion information such as; number of suspensions, number of students that includes, progression leading to out-of-school suspension when not automatically mandated and number of out-of-district versus in-district waivers.

b. Attendance in our High Schools
Bonney Lake High Principal, Cris Turner and Sumner High Principal, Bill Gaines gave a presentation about the impact attendance has on graduation rates. Research shows an increasing number of absences has a direct correlation to higher percentages of students failing to graduate. The Board requested additional information on the District plan to move forward in educating parents about the importance of good attendance and on creating a district-wide system that focuses on improved attendance.

Dr. Sara Johnson will be preparing a report for the Board that outlines the District plan.

c. Bonney Lake High School Field Turf Replacement Continued
Director of Athletics, Tim Thomsen and Director of Maintenance and Operations, Mark Baumgarten presented a bidding process recommendation that would allow them to move forward with the turf replacement this summer.

Dr. Sara Johnson requested additional time for the District to finalize the bid recommendation to be presented to the Board at a later date.

d. Food Services Building
Director of Maintenance and Operations, Mark Baumgarten provided an update on the Food Services building replacement and reported that he now has the permit.

e. District Audit Update
Dr. Sara Johnson reported that she and Assistant Superintendent, Laurie Dent, are working with a company, (PDK) to provide the District with a curriculum audit that will give us a detailed look at how we are using District funds to support and systems we have in place to deliver instruction to students.

The audit cost from PDK will be approximately half of the cost from Urban Collaborative and will provide a more comprehensive audit.

Dr. Sara Johnson will prepare a report to be included in her Friday note to the Board.

5. Board Operating Principles Review & Annual Work Plan
Bailey Ottenad will be contacting the Board to arrange a Board retreat to develop a work plan and review the Boards' operating principles. The Board will also begin work on creating a timeline that benchmarks activities they do each year.

January 14 Agenda Review
Dr. Sara Johnson reviewed items on the agenda for the next regular Board meeting.

6. Board Discussion
None.

a. Advertising Policy
The Board discussed whether or not the Advertising Policy should be put forth for revision to allow advertising inside schools. No changes will be made to the current advertising policy.

7. Adjournment
Moved by Paul Bucich that the Board adjourn the January 7 meeting of the Board of Directors of Sumner School District; Seconded by Erin Markquart. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned: 9:00 p.m.

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Dr. Sara E. Johnson, Secretary
Board of Directors

Attest:

Casey Chamberlain, President
Board of Directors