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Sumner School District
Regular Board Meeting

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Deb Norris, Alternative Legislative Rep.
Richard Hendricks, Member

Mission

We believe it is our responsibility to ensure the best education for all of our students. We believe in success for students and staff every day.

October 8, 2014 Study Session - Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order: 7:00 p.m.

President Paul Bucich called the October 8 meeting of the Board of Directors of Sumner School District No. 320 to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Office Board Room.

Present:

Paul Bucich, Casey Chamberlain, Erin Markquart, Deb Norris, Richard Hendricks

Superintendent, Dr. Sara Johnson; Assistant Superintendent, Craig Spencer; Business Services Executive Director, Debbie Campbell; Career and College Readiness Director, Sharon Fochtman; Communications Manager, Sarah Gillispie; Academic Officer, Steve Sjolund; Academic Officer, Deb Barlow; Math TOSA, Kelly Denn; SEA President, Gabrielle Wright; Chief Technology Officer, Sandy Maynard; Research and Assessment Director, Dan Lysne; Recording Secretary, Bailey Ottenad

Vice President Casey Chamberlain excused Board member Erin Markquart.

Visitors: 1

2. Flag Salute

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Deb Norris to approve the agenda as presented; Seconded by Erin Markquart. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Reports were heard on the following:

A. Demographer Report

Dr. Les Kendrick presented his demographer report for Sumner School District. The report showed and explained future enrollment trends for the District as well as where growth will concentrate. Increased home development will drive the District's enrollment growth with the forecasted enrollment to grow to an average 10,623 students by 2025. The District will continue to watch enrollment growth and plan accordingly for future construction.

B. Assessment, Graduation Rates Report and Annual State Assessment Data

Research and Assessment Director, Dan Lysne, presented detailed annual state assessment data for each of the District's 13 schools. Academic Officer, Deb Barlow, and Dan also presented data on the District's graduation rates and how OSPI determines them. The District is developing a systematic monitoring system to help identify the students who will need extra help towards graduating. Math TOSA, Kelly Denn, presented algebra, geometry, and biology scores to the Board; the Algebra pass rate has increased by 23% for 9th grade students since last year.

Meeting recessed at 8:20 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 8:26 p.m.

C. Budget 101: How to Read a Budget Status Report

Business Services Executive Director, Deb Campbell, presented the August and September Budget Status Report to the Board. Deb explained the general fund balance and why the Board should focus on the overall percent of the budget versus specific line items during the monthly review.

D. Bond Rates and Debt Capacity

Business Services Executive Director, Deb Campbell, presented the Board with bond rates and debt capacity handouts, but did not go into detail due to time restraints.

E. Capital Projects Technology Funding Plan

President Paul Bucich asked that Chief Technology Officer, Sandy Maynard, present at the October 15 Board meeting due to time restraints.

F. Architect Selection Process

Dr. Sara Johnson reviewed the selection process for architectural services. An interview committee will be interviewing four architect firms on October 9. The firms selected to interview are: Meng Strazzara, TCF Architecture, Erickson McGovern, and NAC Architecture. The architect firm selected will help with the District bond process and building elementary number nine.

5. October 15 Agenda Review

President Paul Bucich led the Board in review of the upcoming agenda.

6. Board Discussion

No comments.

7. Executive Session:

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act provision for Executive Session, RCW 42.30.110(1)(c), President Paul Bucich announced an executive session for the purpose of discussing a legal and real estate matter. No action was anticipated following the session.

Meeting recessed for Executive Session: 9:34 p.m.

Meeting reconvened: 9:43 p.m.

Moved by Rick Hendricks to adjourn the October 8 Study Session; Seconded by Deb Norris. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:45 p.m.

Dr. Sara Johnson, Secretary
Board of Directors

Attest: _____
Paul Bucich, President
Board of Directors