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.

June 17, 2015 Regular Meeting – Meeting Minutes

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

President, Casey Chamberlain, called the June 17 Meeting of the Board of Directors of Sumner School District No. 320 to order at 7:00 p.m. at Maple Lawn Elementary.

Present:

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

Superintendent, Dr. Sara Johnson; Athletics Director, Tim Thomsen; Lakeridge Middle School Principal, Toby Udager; Lakeridge Middle School Assistant Principal, Amy Montgomery; Principal of Operational Support, Steve Fulkerson; Educational Support Services Officer, Steve Sjolund; Administrative Assistant, Stacia Dorman; Maintenance and Operations Director, Mark Baumgarten; Transportation Director, Troy Whitten; STARR Project Director, Marilee Hill-Anderson; Human Resources Executive Director, Marc Brouillet; Business Services Executive Director, Deb Campbell; Career and College Readiness Director, Sharon Fochtman; Communications Manager, Sarah Gillispie; Recording Secretary, Bailey Ottenad

Visitors: 45

2. Flag Salute

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Rick Hendricks that the Board approve the agenda as presented; Seconded by Deb Norris. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Moved by Deb Norris that the Board approve the minutes of the May 27 Board meeting and June 3 Study Session; Seconded by Erin Markquart. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Consent Items

Moved by Erin Markquart that the Board approve items on the consent agenda and supplemental agenda; Seconded by Paul Bucich. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Audience Comments

School Board President, Casey Chamberlain, requested that comments be limited to three (3) minutes per individual and that visitors wishing to address the Board refrain from comments about personnel as the Board Meeting is not the appropriate forum for such comments. After the standard announcement, the School Board President allowed those that signed up to speak to continue.

Becky Carle, Victor Falls Elementary (VFE) teacher, is concerned about VFE losing a .5 administrator. Becky said this will drain our Counselor and Principal. She said they have worked hard to make positive connections with students and teachers. She is asking that the administrative changes be consistent among all schools so students and families are supported.

Candace Nicholson, VFE parent, said that the VFE administration has brought a breath of fresh air to the school and she would like to see this continue next year.

Jeremy Martin, VFE teacher, said he is concerned about losing one of the administrators at VFE. He is asking that the Administration and School Board consider this and how it will affect VFE. The VFE administration has been supportive of all the STEM work he has done and wants to see that continue.

7. Recognition

a. Roll of Honor

The School Board honors retiring teachers and staff members and recognizes their dedication to the Sumner School District. These employees represent over 547 years of service to students and families. Congratulations Allan Auge (Trans), Sally Beard (LRE), Sherry Benedetti (Athletics), Susan Breu (Spec), Kay Bruce (DEE), Penny Chaterton (CWE), Daniel (Joe) Conroy (DEE), Bob Daughtery (MMS), Lynde Galvin (MLE), Joan Gaspar (Trans), Kathy Helmold (SMS), Audrey Hollingsworth (DVE), Kay Jones (SHS), Jill Laramore, (LMS), Edward Lynch (MMS), Katie Madden (MMS), Donna Miller (DVE), Robert Mitchelle, Jr. (SHS), Elizabeth Pavilonis (SMS), Tomas Quiroz (SHS), Craig Spencer (Adm), Joanne Streeck (Spec), and Christine Zuck (MLE).

Meeting Recessed: 7:18 p.m.

Meeting Reconvened: 7:42 p.m.

8. Superintendent Comments

Dr. Sara Johnson thanked all Sumner School District staff, teachers, and administrators for the great school year that was completed. Dr. Johnson said District test scores are coming back much higher than the state average, and that is because of the hard work from everyone involved in the testing process.

9. Board Member Comments

School Board President, Casey Chamberlain, requested that the Board receive information on graduation rates from last year compared to this year.

School Board Vice President, Erin Markquart, said handing graduating seniors their high school diplomas was one of the greatest things she has had the opportunity to participate in. Erin said she is grateful for opportunities like that.

School Board Vice President, Erin Markquart, informed other Board Members that the Mason family of Sumner donates two bikes, one for a boy and one for a girl, to all Sumner School District elementary schools.

School Board Member, Deb Norris, said the recent graduations were a highlight for her, and it reiterated why she is here.

10. Unfinished Business

None.

11. New Business

a. Resolution No. 14/14-15 Family Center Relocation

Moved by Paul Bucich that the Board approve Resolution No. 14/14-15 Family Center Program Relocation from Daffodil Valley Elementary to Sumner Middle School; Seconded by Deb Norris. Motion passed unanimously.

12. Information Only

a. Upcoming Board Meetings

The July 8 Study Session has been cancelled. The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for July 15 at 7:00 p.m. A Board Retreat has been scheduled for July 21 at 6:00 p.m. Both meetings will be held in the Central Office Board Room.

b. Budget Status Report

The Budget Status Report for April and May were included for Board information.

c. WSSDA Annual Conference

The WSSDA Annual Conference for School Board Directors and Superintendents is scheduled for November 19-22, 2015, and will be held in Bellevue.

13. Executive Session

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act provision for Executive Session, RCW 42.30.110(1)(b)(g) and RCW 42.30.140(4)(a), School Board President, Casey Chamberlain, announced an executive session for the purposes of discussing a real estate matter, the Superintendent's evaluation, and contract negotiations. The Executive Session is expected to last 45 minutes. Possible action is anticipated following the session.

Recessed to Executive Session: 7:51 p.m.

Meeting Reconvened: 9:21 p.m.

School Board President requested a motion to approve Dr. Sara Johnson's contract with the addition of adding a two thousand dollar ($2,000.00) stipend for holding a Doctorate in Education (Ed.D.), from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018.

Moved by Paul Bucich to approve Dr. Sara Johnson's contract with the addition of adding a two thousand dollar ($2,000.00) stipend for holding a Doctorate in Education (Ed.D.), from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018; Seconded by Deb Norris. Motion passed unanimously.

14. Adjournment

Moved by Rick Hendricks to adjourn the June 17 Meeting; Seconded by Paul Bucich. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned: 9:23 p.m.

Dr. Sara E. Johnson, Secretary
Board of Directors

Attest:
Casey Chamberlain, President
Board of Directors