

**Nooksack Valley School District #506**

**NV District Office  
3326 E Badger Road  
Everson WA 98247**

**Regular Meeting  
March 21, 2024**

**Visitors**

Hannah Ordos  
Lori Bruland

**Directors**

Steve Jones, Chairman  
Halli Kimball  
Ty Elmendorf  
Shelley Harder  
Tanya Silves  
Matt Galley, Supt./Secretary

**Administrators**

Kim McGee

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Nooksack Valley School Board of Directors was called to order by Chairman, Steve Jones, at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 21, 2024.

**MINUTES APPROVED REGULAR MEETING**

Halli Kimball moved, and Ty Elmendorf seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the February 15, regular meeting.

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**COMMUNICATIONS**

- There was discussion from multiple board members celebrating the state tournament, the girls' back to back championships, and how great of a community event it was.
- Tanya Silves shared her experience attending a parliamentary procedure competition through FFA and how great the kids did in the first competition in quite some time.
- Steve Jones shared some of his experiences watching his grandchildren and how great a program FFA is and how many leadership opportunities kids are presented with.
- Superintendent Galley then shared that an FFA Marketing team will be presenting to the board during the April meeting.

**EMPLOYMENT FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR APPROVED**

Ty Elmendorf moved, and Shelley Harder seconded the motion to approve the hire of:

- Natalie Moyer, Special Education Teacher, Everson Elementary School
  - 03/04/24-06/14/24

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**TEMPORARY LEAVE FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR APPROVED**

Tanya Silves moved, and Halli Kimball seconded the motion to approve the temporary leave of:

- Kyla Warner, Librarian, Nooksack Middle School
  - 05/08/2024-06/14/2024
- Roseann Fuhrman, Special Education Teacher, Sumas Elementary
  - 2024-2025 School Year

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**ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF**

Ty Elmendorf moved, and Tanya Silves seconded the motion to approve the resignation of:

- Kimberly Fairfax, Math and Science Teacher, Nooksack Middle School
  - Effective 06/14/2024
- Katie Stauffer, Para Educator III, Nooksack Middle School
  - Effective 04/04/24
- Jennifer Cranston, English/LA Teacher, Nooksack Middle School
  - Effective 08/31/2024
- Stephen Dale, Math and Science Teacher, Nooksack High School
  - Resign .4 FTE Effective 06/14/2024
- Lauren Olson, Be the One Mentor Coordinator, Nooksack High School
  - Effective 06/14/2024
- Stephanie DeBoer, Counselor, Nooksack Elementary School
  - Effective 08/31/2024
- Katey Hartsock, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, Everson Elementary School
  - Effective 06/14/2024

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**APPROVE WITH GRATITUDE THE RETIREMENT OF**

Shelley Harder moved, and Tanya Silves seconded the motion to approve with gratitude the retirement of:

- Tamaran Underwood, Science Teacher, Nooksack High School
  - Effective 06/30/2024
- Scott Gelwicks, CTE Teacher, Nooksack High School
  - Effective 08/31/2024
- Doreen Vermeulen, Accounts Payable Specialist, Nooksack Valley School District Office
  - Effective 06/30/2024

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**CALENDAR FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR APPROVED**

Ty Elmendorf moved, and Halli Kimball seconded the motion to approve the 2024-2025 school year calendar.

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**SECOND READ POLICY 5253-MAINTAINING PROFESSIONAL STAFF/STUDENT BOUNDARIES**

After a brief discussion about the importance of keeping all recommended language in this policy, Tanya Silves moved, and Shelley Harder seconded the motion to approve the revision to Policy 5253-Maintaining Professional Staff/Student Boundaries.

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**FIRST READ POLICY AND PROCEDURE UPDATE POLICY 3421-CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT**

- Superintendent Galley and Kim McGee provided the board with a brief update on the proposed revision. There were no questions or directives from the board. No action was taken at this time and a second read will be scheduled for the April meeting.

**APPROVE RESOLUTION No. 10 TRANSPORTATION VEHICLE FUND BUDGET EXTENSION FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024**

Ty Elmendorf moved, and Halli Kimball seconded the motion to approve Resolution No. 10 Transportation Vehicle Fund Budget Extension Fiscal Year 2023-2024

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**APPROVE RESOLUTION No. 11 GENERAL FUND BUDGET EXTENSION FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024**

Tanya Silves moved, and Shelley Harder seconded the motion to approve Resolution No. 11 General Fund Budget Extension Fiscal Year 2023-2024

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**APPROVE THE SURPLUS SALE OF A SCHOOL BUS**

Ty Elmendorf moved, and Halli Kimball seconded the motion to approve the surplus sale of a school bus.

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**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Superintendent Galley gave a brief presentation on the following topics:

- **Legislative Session Highlights**
  - HB 2180 – Increases special education funding cap from 15% to 16%
  - SHB 2494- Increases MSOC by \$21/pupil for this year.
  - SB 5882- Increases prototypical staffing allocation for paras, office support, noninstructional aides.
- **Asset Preservation Program**
  - Presentation of annual report
- **Whatcom Racial Equity Commission**
  - Superintendent representative on the 31-member commission.
  - Commission Vision
    - People of all races, in Whatcom County, live, thrive, and belong for who they are, as they are. Without Fear. Every day.
- **Capital Projects**
  - PAC cladding and bus garage
  - High School Boiler-Urgent Repair Grant
  - COAF Grant

- **Miscellaneous**
  - Newsletter-Costs \$2150 for 8-page full color edition
  - April meeting FFA will present
  - Social Media Lawsuit update

**VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL PAYMENT APPROVED**

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by law have been recorded on a listing made available to the Board.

As of the 21st of March 2024, the Board on a motion by Tanya Silves and a second by Halli Kimball and a unanimous vote does approve for payment, the payroll and the vouchers included in the presented list and further described as follows:

General Fund Check Number	138075 to 138078;	total	\$980.22
General Fund Check Number	138079 to 138096;	total	\$425,539.75
General Fund Check Number	138097 to 138161;	total	\$168,369.58
Capital Projects Fund	138162 to 138167;	total	\$89,906.96
ASB Fund Check Number	138168 to 138180;	total	\$22,324.16
General Fund Check Number	138181 to 138274;	total	\$276,595.36

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Regular session was recessed at 8:17 p.m. for Executive Session

- The board discussed a personnel issue. No action will be taken at this time.

Executive Session adjourned at 8:23 p.m. and regular session reconvened.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- Steve Jones shared with the board his role, and the board’s role, in the audit process, and that any members will be able to attend the exit process if they desire.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

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Chairman of the Board

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Superintendent/Secretary