

SUMNER-BONNEY LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Board of Directors

Erin Markquart, President
Deb Norris, Vice President
Paul Williams, Member
Kevin Lewis, Member
Bill Gaines, Member

Our Promise:

*We will know, value, and support
every student, helping them graduate
ready to pursue a promising future.*

February 21, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

Central Office Board Room
1202 Wood Ave
Sumner, WA 98390

CALL TO ORDER

School Board President Erin Markquart called the February 21, 2024 Board meeting for the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District No. 320 to order at 6:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Deb Norris to adopt the February 21, 2024 board meeting agenda with following addendum: Addition of item 13. Supplemental Personnel Recommendation, second by Paul Williams. Motion passes unanimously.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion made by Paul Williams to adopt the consent agenda as listed, second by Bill Gaines. Motion passes unanimously.

1. January 17, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes
2. February 7, 2024 Board Study Session Minutes
3. Personnel Recommendations
4. LOA Retire Rehire - Transportation
5. Payroll Warrants 1.16.24
6. Payroll Warrants 1.29.24
7. Payroll Warrants 2.9.24
8. Check Summary 1.9.24-2.7.24
9. Robotics BLHS Donation
10. Family Resource Center Donation

11. SBL Education Association Donation
12. Board Consent Contractual Agreements
13. Supplemental Personnel Recommendation

RECOGNITION OF STAFF, STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

Marina Tanay recognized members of both McKinstry and Puget Sound Energy for their partnership with the Sumner-Bonney Lake School district. With their help the district was able to secure a recommissioning grant in the amount of \$326,584. It will be used for HVAC related items critical to healthy and safe learning environments. As savings are proved, there will be opportunities for additional incentives.

Superintendent Dr. Laurie Dent recognized Bill Pugh and Joel Anderson for their work through Citizens for Schools on the YES campaign for the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District; with their help the district's EP&O and Tech levies passed with 61% and 64%.

Director Erin Markquart recognized Superintendent Dr. Laurie Dent for the national Superintendent of the Year award with AASA. Dr. Dent was counted among the top ten national recipients to receive this honor.

SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Dent encouraged everyone to attend the STEM Fair scheduled for Saturday, Feb 24 at 10:00am at Sumner Middle School.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

This is the time on the agenda for Board members to report on professional development activities they have attended (i.e., conferences, workshops), legislative issues, and other items of interest.

Director Williams shared events he attended in the district, which included Victor Falls and Lakeridge STEM Fair nights.

Director Gains thanked coaches, administrators and athletic directors for supporting various district Winter sporting events. He also thanked staff involved in transition activities for next year. Finally he thanked fellow board members for their dedication and passion.

Director Markquart shared her insights on the STEM presentation at the early learning center and the excitement of the students and curriculum night at Victor Falls. Touring CTE programs with other board members earlier in the day was both impactful and a reminder of the resources available to students.

Director Norris shared her anticipation of the upcoming STEM Fair and viewing student Artwork.

Director Lewis shared activities he's attended including the Capital Facility Advisory Committee meeting (CFAC) where he witnessed collaboration in setting priorities for the

upcoming bond, the Pack the Gym events for both high schools where he witnessed the special olympics basketball teams. He also shared how he appreciated seeing the community turnout for the State of the District breakfast where attendees received an update on what's happening in the district. He shared his appreciation for the CTE tour and how students are being exposed to topics like budgeting and tax preparation using life skills simulations. Finally, he highlighted the upcoming SHS Benefit Night and the STEM Fair at Sumner Middle School.

President, Erin Markquart called for a break at 6:26pm

Board meeting reconvened at 6:35pm

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

The Sumner-Bonney Lake School Board welcomes the public to its meetings. Individuals who wish to address the Board should sign up ONLINE. Comments are restricted to three minutes.

In-person speakers included

Terry McCoy who spoke about messaging on education of students.

Donna Oravez who spoke about teaching basic education free from sectarian ideologies

Theresia McClimans who spoke about education

POLICY MATTERS

Board Policies

In accordance with Policy 1310: Adoption and Amendment of Policies and Bylaws, the following policy has been included for **first reading**:

2410 High School Graduation Requirements

2413 Equivalency and Competency Credit Opportunities

Board Procedures

In accordance with Policy 1310: Adoption and Amendment of Policies and Bylaws, the following policy has been included for **information only**:

2100P Educational Opportunities for Students with a Parent in the Military

2190P Highly Capable Services

2410P High School Graduation Requirements

2413P Equivalency and Competency Credit Opportunities

BUSINESS MATTERS

1. RESOLUTION NO. 13/23-24 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SUMNER-BONNEY LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 320, AUTHORIZING THE SUPERINTENDENT TO EXECUTE A SITE ASSESSMENT ACCESS AGREEMENT RELATING TO DUE DILIGENCE EVALUATION OF A POTENTIAL NEW SCHOOL SITE IN TEHALEH.

Motion made by Deb Norris to adopt Resolution No. 13/23-24 Site Assessment Access Agreement Relating to Due Diligence Evaluation of potential new school site in Tehaleh, second by Kevin Lewis. Motion passes unanimously.

Director Kevin Lewis shared that the district's ability to be in a position to make such a purchase is a testament to its healthy financial position and future vision.

Resolution No. 14/23-24 Emergency Procurement Waiver

Resolution to authorize the District to waive statutory requirements related to competitive bidding in the event of an emergency under RCW 28A.335.190(6) and RCW 39.04.280.

Motion made by Bill Gaines to adopt Resolution No. 14/23-24 Emergency Procurement Waiver to authorize the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District to waive statutory requirements related to competitive bidding in the event of an emergency, second by Paul Williams. Motion passes unanimously.

December 2023 Budget Status Report

The Budget Status Report for December 31, 2023 is included for Board information

February Budget Update

Chief Finance and District Operations Officer of Business Services, Bang Parkinson presented the February Budget presentation to the board which included enrollment projections as well as legislative and ESSER Fund updates. This year is a short legislative session with very little time to make significant changes. Even though this is a short legislative session, basic education bills to watch include SB 5882/HB 1960, and HB 2212/ SB 5596/HB 2223. There are a number of special education bills relating to the enrollment Fund cap currently going through the house as well as simple majority bonds. There are bills in the Senate for pupil transportation enhancements, zero emission buses and multiple vehicle types. While construction is increasing the enrollment projections for next year are projected to be flat because of slight reductions in enrollment at the kindergarten level. Finally, as we approach the end of the ESSER Fund remaining monies are being used to address the Daffodil elementary chillers, transportation and M&O HVAC systems.

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS ADOPTION

In accordance with Policy 2020: Course Design, Selection and Adoption of Instructional Materials

Instructional Materials for Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II Courses

Cara Wilson, Secondary TOSA for Instructional Services, will present a recommendation for the following instructional materials to be used for Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II courses:

Title: Into AGA

Summary of Materials and Adoption Process

Author: Burger, et. al.

Publisher: Houghton Mifflin

Copyright: 2020

Name of class in which the resource will be used: Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II courses (7th grade and up)

PRESENTATIONS

ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Director of Athletics Brian Kaelin presented an update on the Athletics Department to the Board of Directors which included progress related to last year's goals. He shared the value of athletics to assist students in increasing their overall grade point average, school attendance and lower dropout rates. Athletic participants learn self-discipline, build self-confidence and develop community pride. The goals of reducing student-athletes not meeting eligibility standards and increasing participation in athletic programs at the district are stricter than the WIIA standards.

In an effort to get more students to meet eligibility requirements the program consistently communicates requirements and consequences for not meeting those standards. Eligibility documentation for both middle and high school are on the athletic department's website for families. In addition to communicating this information on the athletic department's site it is also communicated to parents through Final Form email features. The goal is to have 100% of student-athletes meeting eligibility standards.

Student participation will be increased by responding to the diversity of student interest in athletics / activities each season. Information regarding student interest is gathered from the Title IX survey and with the support of staff and administrators, girls bowling was added to the Winter sports schedule and co-ed cross country was added to season 4 at the middle school level. Information from FinalForms indicates that there is an increase in athletic participation post COVID.

Currently what is working well in the athletic department includes coaches / advisors who serve as role models and continue to participate in required training to keep their knowledge relevant. Finally, the addition of the FinalForms platform has streamlined the athletic registration and clearance process for families.

BOARD DISCUSSION

No board discussion

Director Markquart received and read Deb Norris' letter of resignation to the board effective March 20, 2024. Celebrations will take place at the March board meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

A Board Meeting has been scheduled for **Wednesday, March 20, 2024** will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Central Office Board Room.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act provision for Executive Sessions **(RCW**

42.30.110 (1)(g)), the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District Board of Directors will hold an executive session for the purposes of evaluating the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee. Action is not anticipated following the Executive Session.

Board meeting went into executive session for thirty minutes at 7:40pm

Board meeting reconvened to open session at 8:05pm

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the board meeting adjourned at 8:06pm

Attest:

Laurie Dent
Secretary Board of Directors

Erin Markquart
President of Board of Directors