

SUMNER-BONNEY LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Board of Directors

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

Our Promise:

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

April 17, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

Central Office Board Room
1202 Wood Ave
Sumner, WA 98390

CALL TO ORDER

School Board Vice President Kevin Lewis called the April 17, 2024 Board meeting for the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District No. 320 to order at 6:00 pm.

Director Erin Markquart was excused.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Paul Williams to adopt the April 17, 2024 board meeting agenda, second by Bill Gaines. Motion Passes.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Bill Gaines to adopt the Consent Items as listed for the April 17, 2024 board meeting, second by Paul Williams. Motion passes.

1. March 20, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes
2. April 3, 2024 Board Study Session Minutes
3. Check Summary 3.12.24-3.26.24
4. Payroll Warrants 3.11.24
5. Payroll Warrants Special Run 3.11.24
6. Payroll Warrants 3.27.24
7. Personnel Recommendation
8. Personnel Recommendation (Supplemental)

RECOGNITION OF STAFF, STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

Principal Matina Scheerer, from Emerald Hills Elementary, recognized Laura Young, who received the

Pierce Conservation District Educator of the Year award. The award was given in recognition of Emerald Hills' land stewardship of natural resources through the Life lab.

SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Dr. Laurie Dent shared reminders for the both the Community Cultural Celebration taking place at Sumner High School on Saturday, April 20 at 11am as well as the Community Summit, which takes place on April 30.

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 Bill Gaines shared about his volunteer softball maintenance experience where he learned about community partnerships (ie. M&O and the Community Base program) where students learn about landscaping and as result of their training one of the students applied for a position with the City of Bonney Lake in their M&O department. Another student has been working with administrative professionals at Sumner Middle School to prepare her for employment opportunities as an administrative professional.

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 from registered speakers are restricted to three minutes.

Registered in-person public comment speakers included:

Philip Loyt – no show
Mr. Veteran – Ongoing public record request
Terri McCoy – DEI issues and website navigation
Theresia McClimans – Director No. 1 vacancy
Rocco Lamanna – Concern for anti-diversity comments

Written Comments include:

Roslyn Shipp – Public Education Standards

BUSINESS MATTERS

Budget Update

The Chief Finance and District Operations Officer, Bang Parkinson, presented a budget update to the Board that included insights from the legislative session that ended on March 7. This Friday will provide an opportunity for the first data push from Human Resources to Finance for budgeting.

Several changes that impacted school district in the legislative session resulted in funding to implement 2SSB 5882, which enhance staff ratios for paraeducators, office support and non-instructional aides as well as MSOC adjustment for ESHB 2494 which provided an increase of \$21 / student to cover utilities/insurance increase cost in 23-24 and finally SHB 2180 which increase the Cap to 16%.

Capital Budget is required to include compliance funding assistance which obligates us to comply

with Washington Clean Building Law, adopted in 2019 and expanded in 2022. It is our hope to gain access to the funding in the 2025-27 biennial. Formula modifications show an increase in average cost from \$271 per sq ft to \$350 per sq ft.

Budget considerations for the 2024-25 school year are based on flat enrollment projections which will cause revenue to be flat which affects levy money. Minimal new funding sources from 2SSB 5882 and ESHB 2494 will require a slight increase in the funding source.

February Budget Status Report

The Chief Finance and District Operations Officer, Bang Parkinson, provided a financial report for February to the Board for information.

POLICY MATTERS

Board Procedures

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

6970P Naming Schools and Facilities

2020P Course Design, Selection and Adoption

3141P Non-Resident Students

PRESENTATIONS

Technology Update

Director of Technology Operations, Robyn Rich presented the Technology Department update to the Board of Directors. Robyn shared that the department supports roughly 30,000 physical devices and closed over 6,720 work orders as of today. He shared the exhaustive list of single sign-on apps that the department manages. Despite additional projects the department is projected to end with a positive financial balance.

Short-term projects include the 10-year Dark Fiber project which will be complete by September 2024, District Switch upgrade, access control Phase II set to start in the Summer. This project will upgrade across the district and include portables as well as external doors. Finally, a large venue audio/ video upgrade to include HDMI and USB-C connectivity. Currently the department is working with the transportation department to make it possible for parents to track their students' bus activity.

There are several long-term projects underway which include a new phone system, access control phase III on every classroom door, district wide radio system that allows communication across the district, new bus camera system and firewall upgrade with larger bandwidth.

Board meeting recessed at 6:56pm

Board meeting reconvened at 7:02pm

Capital Facilities Funding

Financial Advisor, Mark Prussing and Chief Finance and District Operations Officer, Bang Parkinson presented information on funding for future facility projects. Mr. Prussing shared that the funding goals are created to meet capital project needs, promoting tax stability and create room in tax rate structure for future funding needs. Although interest rates are volatile, he believes that interest rates are still favorable for financing projects but volatile rates require conservative estimates on bond cost in the future.

Key decision points and next steps in deciding on a bond include finalizing the district's project list (scope and timing), refining project costs, evaluating construction cash flow, determining bond sale dates and amounts, refining project funding options and taxpayer costs, and finally determining which election date to target. If the board decides to move forward it will require working with the legal counsel to draft an election resolution and file the resolution with the county.

INFORMATION

Public Records Transparency Report

Executive Director of Legal Affairs, Marion Leach, provided a quarterly public record report to the Board. This is a summary report regarding new public records requests that have been filed with the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District over the last three months.

Park and Recreation Report

Recreation and Special Events Manager for the City of Bonney Lake, David Wells has prepared a Parks and Recreation report for the board that included a Parks and Recreation Report, Parks & Recreation Summer Brochure, and Parks & Recreation Rev2024 Spring Brochure.

Bond Oversight Committee Informational Report

An informational report was provided outlining the characteristics, responsibilities, and expected outcomes of a Bond Oversight Committee.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Director Paul Williams shared the need for PTA groups to coordinate carpools for students who need transportation to activities.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

A Board Meeting has been scheduled for **Wednesday, May 22, 2024** will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Central Office Board Room.

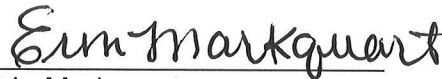
ADJOURNMENT

With no further business meeting adjourned at 7:14pm



Laurie Dent
Secretary Board of Directors

Attest:



Erin Markquart
President of Board of Directors