

**Tumwater School District**  
**School Board Meeting Minutes**  
Tumwater Middle School  
May 26, 2016

Board Members Present: Jay Wood, Bob Barclift, Kim Reykdal, Rita Luce, Janine Ward

Staff Members Present: John Bash, Laurie Wiedenmeyer, Tammie Jensen-Tabor, Patty Kilmer, Penny Marksheffel, Cindy Tobeck, Anne Lux, Kris Linder, Jon Wilcox, Nick Reykdal, Laurie Harris, Chris Woods, David Parascand, Julie McBride, Seana Ditterline, Roz Thompson, Terri Anderson, Tara Richerson, Mel Murray, Kim Howard, Mitch Thompson, Beth Scouller, Renee Cruickshank, Emily Weber, Wendy Caldwell, Julie McBride, Katie Niemann

Members of the Public Present: Bob & Verna Cooksey

Students Present: Luke Noll, Heer Patel, Emma Prybylski

President Jay Wood called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Agenda Discussion**

- Superintendent John Bash stated that a donation acceptance of \$3,000 from TMS PTO has been added to the Consent Agenda. An executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) to discuss collective bargaining is scheduled and will last approximately 30 minutes with no action to be taken.

**Approval of Minutes**

- **Rita Luce/Bob Barclift, Moved/Seconded (M.S.), to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2016 meeting as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Special Recognition**

- East Olympia Elementary – Washington Achievement Award Winner: John Bash introduced Principal Patty Kilmer and EOE staff Penny Marksheffel, Cindy Tobeck, Anne Lux, and Kris Linder. John explained that EOE received an achievement award this year for math achievement. They have received an award several times in the past, as well. Patty shared how exciting this award is for her school and staff. She explained that while a focus has been on reading, they identified a real need for interventions in math. They are very excited about the successes they have seen. On behalf of the Board of Directors, Bob Barclift presented the EOE staff with a certificate of achievement.

## Site Report – Tumwater Middle School

- Principal Jon Wilcox shared that TMS introduced a new model for ELA to fulfill a site goal to implement this method school-wide. Three students, Luke Noll, Heer Patel, and Emma Prybylski presented information about their experiences with the Jane Schaeffer method and how they have used that in other classes as well. From argumentative essays regarding gun control to a paper on African influences in the modern world, each shared about their use of the method and how it has affected their writing abilities. Jon also took a moment to thank Mr. Harper and the jazz band for playing as people arrived at today's meeting.

## Action Items

- Approval of 2016-17 School Board Meeting Schedule: **Kim Reykdal/Bob Barclift, M.S., to approve the 2016-17 School Board Meeting Schedule as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
- Curriculum Adoptions: **Rita Luce/Kim Reykdal, M.S., to approve the curriculum adoptions as presented**: Middle School Health "Teen Health", AP Government "Pearson Government in America", 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math "Engage New York", 7/8 Grade Math "UTAH", and 9/10/11 Grade Math "Mathematics Vision Project (MVP)". **The motion passed unanimously.**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Math Pursuant to Policy 2413: **Bob Barclift/Kim Reykdal, M.S., to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> year math (AP Computer Science A as equivalent to high school mathematics or science) pursuant to Policy 2413 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**

## Superintendent's Report

- Counseling Program Report: Tammie Jensen-Tabor shared that the counselors have been doing some great work developing and implementing the comprehensive program manual. The counselors in attendance took turn speaking about changes in our district with the 6<sup>th</sup> grade moving to middle school next year, crisis response and mental health issues that students are facing and how counselors are assisting in these areas. They have been working to align their program with the mission statement. They reviewed the contents of the manual. There was discussion regarding mental health issues, even at elementary level. Counselors are working to connect families with community resources to help needs that aren't being met.
- Staffing Update: Beth Scouller reviewed some of the recent hires and current vacancies. She compared certificated attrition this year to last year and finds it to be comparable.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Revisions to Policy 2020, Curriculum Development and Adoption: Chris Woods reviewed the first reading of the revisions to this policy. Addresses the scope and sequence of materials. This will be brought back to a future meeting for the Board to consider adoption.

Board Member Janine Ward arrived at 9:23 a.m.

- Superintendent Remarks: John shared that yesterday there was a wonderful volunteer appreciation event where each school principal highlighted a volunteer (or two) from their school. He thanked Kim Howard and Laurie Wiedenmeyer for their help coordinating the event. We are blessed to have a number of volunteers helping our kids and staff in schools. A Strategic Planning summary document was distributed. Dana, the facilitator, developed the document. Please review this and we will follow-up with you as we start the next step in the process. Today the GRuB ribbon cutting is taking place, starting at 4:00, but instead of cutting a ribbon, it will be a seed-planting ceremony. Yesterday we received a records request from the Seattle Times regarding an earthquake study we were involved in. Mel will share more in

his report. It was a voluntary program that we chose to participate in. TEA ratification meeting is being held this afternoon. We would like to schedule a special meeting to approve the contract and Mel has a couple of items for action as well. John recognized Renee Cruickshank, Chris Woods, Beth Scouller, and Tammie Jensen-Tabor as part of collective bargaining this year, thanked them for the investment of time and the hard work put into it. Graduations are around the corner – Dave and Jeff have been listening to your feedback regarding graduation ceremonies and have made some changes to the ceremonies.

## **Consent Agenda**

- **Janine Ward/Kim Reykdal, M.S., to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:**
  - Employment: Kelsey Lincoln, 16/17-Sped/Title/LAP Teacher, LRE; Tanya Baker, Project Manager, Capital Projects; Peter Savin, 16/17-Art Teacher, 1 yo, THS
  - Adjusted Employment: Suzan Mouton, 16/17-Sped Functional Academics, PGS; Terri Anderson, 16/17-Hi Cap Teacher, 1 yo, BLE; Thatcher Wood, 16/17-.6 Alt Ed Teacher, SO; Yolanda Grave de Peralta, 16/17-.2 Spanish added, THS; Debra Farver, 16/17-Cook, BMS; John Bidwell, Swing Shift Custodian, NMSC; Debbie Daniels, 16/17-Learning Assistant-1 yo, NMSC; Martin Reid, 16/17-Asst Principal, THS
  - Resignation: Tanisha Smith, 16/17 Elementary Teacher, Location TBD, effectively May 17, 2016; Jack Zilla, Teacher, BHHS, effective June 30, 2016; Wendy Caldwell, Counselor, EOE, effective at the end of the 15/16 school year; Joy Scholz, Teacher, MTS, effective June 30, 2016; Christopher Scofield, Teacher, MTS, effective June 30, 2016; Thatcher Wood, .2 Teaching position, BMS, effective June 17, 2016; Joshua Everson, Teacher, BHHS, effective at the end of the 15/16 school year
  - Retirement: Paul Dorwin, Teacher, TMS/THE/BLE/BHHS, effective July 1, 2016; Marilyn Southard, Parapro, TMS, effective June 30, 2016
  - Leaves: Gay Warren, Bus Driver, Transportation, FMLA leave starting April 27, 2016 with an unknown return date, per doctor's statement; Marlynne Crass, Office Assistant, MTS, FMLA leave starting April 15, 2016 returning April 25, 2016 pending doctor's statement; Estive Soriano, Custodian, THS, FMLA leave starting March 31, 2016 returning April 25, 2016 per doctor's statement; Randy Ryan, Custodian, MTS/BMS, FMLA leave starting May 17, 2016 returning May 26, 2016 pending doctor's statement; Rebecka Morse, Occupational Therapist, SS, FMLA leave starting February 29, 2016 returning April 11, 2016 per doctor's statement
  - Co-Curricular: Samantha Jones, Assistant Drill/Dance Coach, THS; the following New Market Skills Center Summer School Instructors: David Boos-Auto Service; Mark Emmons-Auto Service; Ralph Shultz-Auto Service; Patrick Sample-Collision Repair; Paula Dana-Commercial Graphic Design; Donald Peters-Criminal Justice; Christen Peters-Criminal Justice; Kevin Powers-Digital Media; Stephanie Ryder-PreVet Tech; Virginia Williams-PreVet Tech; Taresa Spencer-Professional Medical Careers; Andrew Leiren-Robotics
  - Contracts: Approval of the TOPA/TSD 2015-2017 Collective Bargaining Agreement
  - Clock Hours: Approval of First Aid/CPR for Coaches, session #55381, for 6 clock hours, taught by George Schoettle on October 15, 2016; approval of First Aid/CPR for Coaches, session #55383, for 6 clock hours, taught by George Schoettle on February 11, 2017; approval of First Aid/CPR for Coaches, session #55386, for 6 clock hours, taught by George Schoettle on August 19, 2017
  - Payroll/Voucher Totals: The following vouchers as audited and certified by the auditing officer, as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified, as required by RCW 42.24.090, are approved for payment as follows: Payroll voucher numbers 72803980-72804018 in the amount of \$3,737.927.43; General Fund

voucher numbers 72209066-72209223 in the amount of \$1,769,293.20; Capital Projects Fund voucher numbers 72010979-72011005 in the amount of \$2,282,026.12; ASB Fund voucher numbers 72440020-72440062 in the amount of \$49,869.32; Transportation-Vehicle Fund in the amount of \$478,095.56; and Private Purpose Trust voucher numbers 72700453-72700455 in the amount of \$608.10.

- Donations: Acceptance of a donation from South Sound Running in the approximate amount of \$4,000 worth of running shoes; acceptance of donation from TMS PTO in the amount of \$3,000 for end-of-the-year transportation costs for special activities
- Contracts:
  - Lease Agreement with Johnson Properties
  - Baker Underground (TMS Residential Unit Demolition)
  - TCF Architecture (EOE Pre-Design Services)
  - WAVE
- Change Orders:
  - PGS Replacement Change Order #9
  - PGS Replacement Contract Amendment #6
  - TMS Survey Fees for boundary adjustment (lot consolidation)

### **Business/Financial Reports**

- Capital Projects Report: Mel Murray outlined the status of capital projects throughout the district. He shared a new project manager has been hired as Paul Smith is retiring in June. There was discussion regarding the PGS remodel, security cameras and lighting, and the gopher study.
- Financial Update/Fund Summary Report: Mitch Thompson reviewed enrollment and the financial reports through April 2016. He displayed a budget summary for 2016-17 non-general funds.

### **Board Member Comments**

- Rita Luce: Rita shared that she was part of the interview panel for the THS Assistant Principal. She was very impressed with the teachers and their input into the process.
- Jay Wood: Jay attended the Boys & Girls Club breakfast and it was a great event. Next week he will be helping to screen for the GRuB position.
- Bob Barclift: Bob shared that he also attended the B&G Club breakfast. It was a great occasion and very well-attended.
- Kim Reykdal: Kim thanked the bargaining team again and is happy to see an agreement was reached. He children have been taking the SBAC test and she wanted to note that anxiety levels seem lower than last year. She attributes this to the teachers helping them to feel at ease. She also wanted to express her thanks to Sound Sound Running for their generous donation of shoes.

President Jay Wood announced the meeting would recess into executive session for approximately 30 minutes to discuss collective bargaining pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) with no action to be taken.

The meeting recessed for a short break at 10:06 a.m. The meeting reconvened into executive session at 10:15 a.m. pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) to discuss collective bargaining. The

regular meeting reconvened at 10:45 a.m. With no further business coming before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m.

Recorded by:  
Laurie C. Wiedenmeyer

Signed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

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Board Member

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Board Secretary