

**Tumwater School District**  
**School Board Meeting Minutes**  
Tumwater High School  
March 24, 2016

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

Staff Members Present: John Bash, Laurie Wiedenmeyer, Kim Howard, Mel Murray, Mitch Thompson, Tara Richerson, Tammie Jensen-Tabor, Brian Hardcastle, Jeff Broome, Chris Woods, Rhonda Morton, Jan Jones

Members of the Public Present: Andrew Eyres, Allen Jones

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

**Agenda Discussion**

- John Bash stated the following additions have been made to the agenda: the minutes from the March 16<sup>th</sup> meeting have been added for approval, an extended fieldtrip to Spokane for the THS FBLA to attend the State Conference April 20-23, 2016 has been added as an action item. There will be no payroll or voucher approval.

**Approval of the Minutes**

- **Janine Ward/Bob Barclift, Moved/Seconded (M.S.), to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2016 regular meeting and March 16, 2016 special meeting as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Site Report**

- Tumwater High School: Assistant Principal Brian Hardcastle reviewed the Career/Technical Education offerings at Tumwater High, and shared details about some of the grants they have received to enhance and add program offerings. Brian has been working with community partners to identify and apply for other grants, as well. Principal Jeff Broome shared School Improvement Plan goals for THS:
  1. Decrease by 25% of the number of students on the D/F list that are on free and reduced lunch by the end of the school year
  2. Using building-wide walkthrough opportunities we will closely monitor teachers' usage of engagement strategies to ensure that 100% of our students are engaged in the work.
  3. Develop and sustain the ASAP program, targeting students with 2 or more Fs, provide appropriate support and funding, reduction in failures and increase in graduation rate. They have added after-school help and provided buses home.
  4. Expand college and career readiness efforts to support all students in 1, 2, 4 or more. Created specific grade level programming so all students can seek opportunities after they graduate.

5. Working on communication with parents. Last week held a connect-a-thon. Asked teachers to contact at least five parents with an end-goal to connect with 500 parents.

### **Other Reports**

- Capital Region Educational Service District 113 Report: Assistant Superintendent Andrew Eyres shared that the CRESD 113 serves 44 school districts. He thanked Tumwater School District leadership for the great partnership that has been built. He continued by reviewing the services they can provide. The Board Connection newsletter is for board members of member districts and wanted to confirm that our Board of Directors has been receiving it. CRESD has developed a partnership with ESD 112 to provide professional development and also summer institute offerings. Board Member Allen Jones was present to share a little about his experience on the Board and how impressed he is with the leadership at the ESD.

### **Superintendent's Report**

- Transportation Ridership Report: Transportation Supervisor Rhonda Morton was present to give this report. She started by sharing an update on the STARS funding. OSPI had an issue with their original reporting so we are still waiting for final numbers. Tumwater's efficiency rate is now 89.7% for the 13-14 school year, we do not have 14-15 numbers yet. Rhonda displayed McKinney-Vento (homeless student transportation) costs and trip numbers. She was happy to announce that accidents are down for the year. She is looking at a technology called Zonar which is GPS tracking that pinpoints location, speeds, stops, etc. They are hoping to launch that this spring. Almost all buses now have cameras on board.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Reading – 2016-17 School Year Calendar: John presented the draft calendar which include principal input regarding the conference weeks. This will be brought back to a future meeting for Board action.
- Report on Building Conditions for OSPI Asset Preservation Program: Mel Murray presented this required annual report. There was discussion regarding when buildings are occupied following new construction/remodel versus when it's officially complete – meaning all contractor paperwork and payments are finalized. By OSPI standards it makes the buildings younger than they actually are – one of our buildings by nearly two years.
- Superintendent Remarks: John attended the THS Soar Auction with Janine, Bob, and family members. He was impressed with the Hall of Fame portion of the program. One of Janine's family members was recognized. We have just learned that a mediator has been assigned for the TEA negotiations - April 21<sup>st</sup> and May 4<sup>th</sup> are the dates. Rhonda is working on some research regarding bus routes, transportation issues, and possible resolutions. Staffing meetings have been held with every school leadership team to discuss possible adjustments. There have been some difficult discussions, but we are presenting the math and negotiating with leaders at this time.

### **Consent Agenda**

- **Rita Luce/Kim Reykdal, M.S., to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:**
  - Employment: Emma Leimback, 16/17 Intermediate Teacher, LRE; Kristy Boyd, 16/17 Elementary Teacher, location TBD; Dana Bastin, 16/17 Elementary Teacher, location TBD; Chhronrg Flores, 16/17 Elementary Teacher, location TBD

- Adjusted Employment: Jonathan Schneider, 16/17 all-day Kindergarten Teacher, EOE; Shannon Miller, 16/17 all-day Kindergarten Teacher, BLE; Grace Bigelow, 16/17 Elementary Teacher, location TBD; Michelle Napoleon, TOPA Admin Asst, Financial Services; Jennifer Bush, Payroll Specialist, Financial Services; Marcy Lunsford, Asst Cook, PGS/THS
- Separated from Employment: Nickole Larsen, Sub Custodian, B&G; Rachel Fengler, Sub Bus Driver, Transportation
- Retirement: Dawn Stone, Teacher, MTS, effective June 16, 2016; Carol Badynski, Cook, BMS, effective July 1, 2016; Gloria Seline, Speech Language Pathologist, SS, effective June 17, 2016
- Resignation: David Virak, Teacher, SO/NMHS, effective at the end of the 2015/16 school year; Donald Smith, Bus Driver, Transportation, effective March 21, 2016; Rebecca Robinson, Parapro, MTS, effective August 31, 2016
- Leaves: Whitney Hehemann, Teacher, BMS, medical and family illness leave starting February 23, 2016 returning March 7, 2016, per doctor's statement; Joelle Powers, Teacher, THS, FMLA/unpaid leave for the 2016/17 school year, pending doctor's statement
- Co-Curricular: Richard Frazier, Assistant Track Coach, BMS; Whitney Hehemann, Assistant Track Coach, BMS
- Clock Hours: Approval of Right Response Advanced Certificate, session #54873, for 14 clock hours, taught by Mike Morris on October 20 and 21, 2016; approval of Right Response Advanced Re-Certification, session #54874, for 7 clock hours, taught by Mike Morris on October 28, 2016
- High School Fees: Approval of High School student and Community Fees list and High School Fees list.

### **Business/Financial Reports**

- Capital Projects Report: Mel Murray outlined the status of capital projects throughout the district.
- Financial Update/Fund Summary Report: Mitch Thompson reviewed the fund summary status. Enrollment is holding steady.

### **Action Items**

- Extended Fieldtrip Request – THS FBLA to Spokane April 20-23, 2016: **Kim Reykdal/Janine Ward, M.S., to approve the Extended Fieldtrip Request as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
- Cancellation – April 14, 2016 Regular Board Meeting: **Bob Barcliff/Rita Luce, M.S., cancel the regularly scheduled Board meeting schedule for April 14, 2016 and instead conduct a workshop from 3:00-5:00 p.m. to discuss Strategic Planning. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **Board Member Comments**

- Bob Barcliff: Kim Howard and Bob met with Peter G. Schmidt teacher representation regarding a farewell walkthrough. Kim did an excellent job holding the meeting, good conversation and ideas, and they are looking at May 14<sup>th</sup> for the date, but it is tentative at this point.

- Rita Luce: Rita participated in senior presentations and enjoyed it so much. There are some, though, that have such tremendous burdens. She would like to look at how we can provide more support for them.
- Janine Ward: Janine attended the THS Soar Auction and was impressed with the many generational groups that attended and are supporting the school district.
- Jay Wood: Jay also participated in senior presentations at each high school. He wonders if the students are getting enough depth in their presentations or possibly need to do some more research on their future goals. Met with legislators on Monday. Not much new news. There will be another meeting after the budget is adopted.

At 9:58 a.m., President Wood announced the meeting was recessing for a short break, then would reconvene into executive session to discuss purchase of property pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b). He estimates that the executive session will last approximately 30 minutes. No action will be taken when the public meeting reconvenes. Vice-President Bob Barclift was excused from attending the executive session. Executive session convened at 10:04 a.m. and the regular meeting reconvened at 10:34 a.m. With no further business coming before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Recorded by:  
Laurie C. Wiedenmeyer

Signed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

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Board Member

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Board Secretary