

CASHMERE SCHOOL DISTRICT #222  
Board Work Session  
February 9, 2015

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chairman Maydole called the meeting to order at 6:32 AM. Chairman Christensen arrived at 6:35 AM.

DECLARATION OF QUORUM:

Board members Roger Perleberg, Kelly Green and Paul Nelson were present. There were six others present including Superintendent Johnson.

1.0 Flag Salute

Roger Perleberg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2.0 Approval of the Agenda - On a motion by Roger Perleberg, the Board approved the agenda as presented.

3.0 Reports, Correspondence and Program –

3.1 Enrollment Update – Mr. Remick advised that enrollment has decreased slightly from January’s enrollment, which matches the trend from previous years but we are still running above the budgeted number.

3.2 All Day K Update/Report – Rhett Morgan reviewed the details of his handout with the Board. He advised that data showed gains in virtually all areas over last year. However, a slightly different testing model is being used which, while it provides more information, makes comparisons to last year more difficult.

Mr. Morgan reported that 72% of our students can pick up a book and feel like readers. With kindergarten students advancing, it means that first grade teachers will need to be ready to serve a different clientele. The expectation is to have all students reading at a fluency level of “D”.

3.3 CMS Extended Learning – CMS Vice-Principal Kristy Daley updated the Board on the data used to identify which students need assistance in reading. She advised that many Districts are currently “Data Rich-Information Poor” and that we are NOT in this cycle because we focus on reviewing and understanding the data. Ms. Daley stated that Betsy Jones is the key person in reviewing and analyzing all the available data.

The Academy classes are held 4 days a week, and designed to provide intervention or extension to the school day.

Ms. Daley advised that there is a continued focus on interventions for our English Language Learners (ELL) students. She reported CMS is currently using Title III funding to offer a “Before School” program three days a week starting at 7:30 (including breakfast) and that transportation is a key issue for these students. Ms. Daley said they are targeting 64 ELL students using “Lexia” online computerized program that provides individualized teaching and data collection. She provided several examples of how Lexia actually works and said the program goes beyond normal programs in that it provides lesson plants to meet the needs of the individual student.

- 3.4 SBAC Pilot/Math Professional Development – Mr. Cline reminded the Board that all Smarter Balance testing is being done online and that so far our technology seems to be working well however there is still some “testing of the system.” So far, the focus has been on testing at the high school level. He advised that we would probably have someone other than the teachers’ score the tests and said they are hand scoring them now.

Mr. Cline reviewed what we are doing at each level in math right now. He said they are busy aligning assessments and curriculum using the “Bridges” System.

Mr. Cline also stated that professional development continues between the buildings in order to provide continuity and can help to overcome isolation teachers can feel with all the work that needs to be done.

3.5 Upcoming Work

- 3.5.1 District Calendar 2015-16 – Superintendent Johnson shared two draft 2015-16 school year calendars with the Board that will be shared with the Calendar Committee this week.
- 3.5.2 TPEP Committee/Process – Superintendent Johnson advised that Sean McKenna, Carley Bjorklund and he have been invited to present at the TPEP state level meeting in Spokane as one of five outstanding Districts in the State.
- 3.5.3 Board Policy and Procedure – Superintendent Johnson said that Mr. Boring is currently working on updating the 2000 to 3000 series and wondered how they wanted to proceed with the review work at the Board level.
- 3.5.4 Study & Survey – Superintendent Johnson advised that Gary Wetch of Loofburrow Wetch Architects would be here today at 10:00 to start the study and survey process.

4. Visitors – There were no visitors.

5. Discussion Items – There were no discussion items.

6.0 Adjournment

On a motion by Roger Perleberg and there being no further business to discuss,  
Chairman Christensen adjourned the meeting at 8:00 AM.

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