

OKANOGAN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Okanogan School District
November 27, 2023
Regular School Board Minutes
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1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- a) Vice Chair Rae Jean Kelley called the November Regular Board meeting to order at 6:00p.m. School Board members present: Rae Jean Kelley, Luke McKee, Heather Fisher, Ryan Lafferty and Terri Mail with Steve Quick, Superintendent, and about 20 audience members. The meeting took place at the Virginia Grainger Elementary Library.

2) OATH OF OFFICE – NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

- a) Heather Fisher – District 1
- b) Ryan Lafferty – District 4
- c) Terri Mail – District 5

Rae Jean Kelley administered the Oath of Office for the newly elected board members, Heather Fisher, District 1; Ryan Lafferty, District 4 and Terri Mail, District 5.

3) ANNUAL ORGANIZATION

- d) Rae Jean Kelley was nominated by Luke McKee to fill the Board Chair position; the roll call votes were as follows. McKee – Yes, Fisher – Yes, Mail – Yes, Lafferty – Yes and Kelley – Yes
- e) Luke McKee was nominated by Rae Jean Kelley to fill the Vice Chair position; the roll call votes were as follows. Kelley – Yes, Fisher – Yes, Mail – Yes, Lafferty – Yes and McKee – Yes.
- f) Heather Fisher was nominated by Rae Jean Kelley to fill the WSSDA Legislative Representative; the roll call votes were as follows. Kelley – Yes, Mail – Yes, Lafferty – Yes, McKee – Yes and Fisher – Yes.
- g) Terri Mail was nominated by Rae Jean Kelley to fill the WIAA Representative position; the roll call votes were as follows. Kelley – Yes, Fisher – Yes, Lafferty – Yes, McKee – Yes and Mail – Yes.

4) BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION

- a) Superintendent Steve Quick presented a plaque to Tony Hawley to recognize his 8 years of service on the Okanogan School Board.

5) PRESENTATION BY SCOTT LEWIS WITH APOLLO

- a) Scott Lewis presented information to the Board regarding the Investment Grade Audit Proposal. The district is looking at a 6 million grant funding opportunity through Apollo to tackle large projects at the Virginia Grainger.

6) APPROVAL OF OCTOBER MINUTES, CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO NOVEMBER AGENDA

- a) The Board approved the October Regular Board Meeting Minutes, as well as, the November Regular Board Meeting Agenda. The Board added to the agenda the Investment Grade Audit Proposal. **McKee/Mail/Passed/5 for/0 against**

- 7) **PUBLIC COMMENT** Citizens wanting to speak on topics not on the agenda may comment at this point in the meeting. Personnel issues and employee performance are not discussed in public meetings and shall be referred to the superintendent. Other comments are limited to 3 minutes per person and 10 minutes per topic.
None heard

8) ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Dorinda Belcher, Middle School Principal presented to the Board with some of her staff and students including Emily Wiley, 8th Grade Math Teacher; Nick Fletcher, 8th Grade Science Teacher; Kathy Bryson, Coding Teacher; Brittany Carden, MS Counselor/Hope Squad Advisor and students Aiden Fletcher, Hadley Bonewell, Lomax Patterson, Logan Grooms, Adrian Alvarado Logan Settle, Wyatt Hansen, Luna Hansen, Beau Vanderweide, Charlotte Carpenter and Leira Lesamiz. The different groups presented on a different topic relating to what they are currently learning.

Superintendent Quick informed the Board of the Capital Project Levy passing at 56.65%. He also informed the Board the roof is on for the addition at the High School, and is almost all enclosed. Lastly, he shared information with the Board regarding the Wellness Committee and its goal of trying to get staff more active.

9) APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, which consisted of the following:

- a) Hired Cecelia Freytag, General Education Para; Emily Wiley, Assistant Middle School Girls Wrestling Coach; Marty Staggs, High School C Team Basketball Coach.
b) November warrants (256411 through 256479 totaling \$620,497.27; additional warrants included 256481 through 256517 totaling \$106,397.95)
c) November payroll totaling \$1,394,153.31.
d) November enrollment totaling 1050.23

There were no objections from the Board regarding the consent agenda, the Board approved the consent agenda. McKee/Mail/Passed/5 for/0 against

10) APPROVE POLICY 1400 MEETING CONDUCT, ORDER OF BUSINESS AND QUORUM

- a) Terri Mail made a motion with Luke McKee to second the motion to approve Policy 1400 Meeting Conduct, Order of Business and Quorum after deciding to move the monthly board meetings from the last Wednesday of each month to the last Monday of each month. **Mail/McKee/Passed/5 for/ 0 against**

11) INFORMATION ONLY

- a) 1400P Meeting Conduct Order of Business
- b) 3241P Procedure Student Discipline

The Board spoke briefly about these information items.

12) APPROVE RESOLUTION 01-11-23-24 CERIFICATION OF 2024 EXCESS PROPERTY TAXES

- a) The Board held a brief discussion regarding the resolution and the and the reason or it. Luke McKee made a motion with Heather Fisher to second the motion to approve Resolution 01-11-23-24 Certification of 2024 Excess Property Taxes. **McKee/Fisher/Passed/ 5 for/ 0 against**

13) INVESTMENT GRADE AUDIT PROPOSAL

- a) Scott Lewis with Apollo presented information regarding the proposal, as well as, Mr. Quick. Heather Fisher made a motion with Luke McKee to second the motion to approve the Investment Grade Audit Proposal. **Fisher/McKee/Passed/5 for/ 0 against**

14) FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a) Klancy Allen, Business Manager reported to the Board that financially the district is doing well. She informed the Board that state revenues would be coming in for the months of September and October.

15) DISCUSSION...

- a) Changing December board meeting date (Currently falls on December 25th)
The Board discussed a December Board Meeting date. The Board moved to approve the December board meeting date change to December 18, 2023 at 6 pm. **McKee/Fisher/Passed/5 for/ 0 against**

16) ADJOURNMENT

- a) There being no further business to bring before the Board, Board Chair Rae Jean Kelley adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Steve Quick
Superintendent/Secretary

Rae Jean Kelley
Okanogan School Board Chair