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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REGULAR MEETING
November 13, 2024

Board Members:	Mari Taylor, President Nina Hanson David Iseminger Vildan Kirby Paul Lund Mary Templeton, Superintendent/Board Secretary
Student Advisory Council Officers:	Riley Boerger Aashisri Bendalam Yostina Mosa

The Lake Stevens School District Board of Directors met in a Regular Session at the Educational Service Center. A Zoom option was available for this meeting that President Taylor called to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mari Taylor, Nina Hanson, David Iseminger, Vildan Kirby, Paul Lund, Dr. Mary Templeton, SACo members Aashisri Bendalam and Yostina Mosa. Riley Boerger was unable to attend.

AGENDA/MINUTES

Director Iseminger made a motion to approve the November 13, 2024 agenda. The motion was seconded by Director Lund and unanimously approved. Director Hanson made a motion to approve the October 23, 2024, Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Iseminger and unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS, STAFF, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Lake Stevens Middle School Principal Lisa Sanchez and Associate Principal Jamie Sinning introduced the Lake Stevens Middle School Students of the Month for October: Isabelle Chapman, Inba Mahendran, Cameron Degrant and Anna Stein.

North Lake Middle School Principal Brad Ables and Associate Principal Kelly Goodsmansen introduced the North Lake Middle School Students of the Month for October: Blayden Dodrill, Francisco Ipina, Kaylyn Avent and Adyson Davis.

Cavelero Principal Dr. Sellers and Associate Principal Janel Parken introduced the Cavelero Mid High School Students of the Month for October: Jett Benson, Olivia Sanchez, Oscar Bates and Bailey Wolfe.

Lake Stevens High School Principal Leslie Ivelia and Associate Principal Alex Johns introduced the Lake Stevens High School Students of the Month for October: Alex Ayala Barragan, Sarah Poinaru, Ana Joehnk, Jack McClure, Kamryn Hoff and Samantha Schurig.

Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources John Balmer introduced the APPLE Award recipients Bobbie Smoots, Cheryl Ryba, Jenny Trivett, Lola LeDoux and Martin Fredrickson.

A break was taken approximately from 7:26 p.m. to 7:36 p.m. President Taylor welcomed everyone back.

REPORTS OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND PROGRAMS

Lake Stevens Middle School Principal Lisa Sanchez shared strategies for enhancing student performance in math and improving attendance rates. LSMS is focused on fostering continuous academic growth and building a strong learning culture by cultivating positive relationships and delivering engaging, high-quality instruction. Principal Sanchez spoke about the Foundation for Excellence Principles and how those are implemented at LSMS.

Associate Principal Jamie Sinning discussed *Pirate Math*, a framework designed to support student achievement. This approach emphasizes key components like Assessment, Purpose, Motivation, Interim Assessment Benchmarks (IABs), and Word Problems to drive math success. Attendance OP Lisa Hale gave information on Attendance goals for LSMS.

Stevens Creek Elementary Principal Matt Pewitt talked about knowing vs. valuing. Principal Pewitt stated two of their goals at Stevens Creek are school focus on knowing to valuing their students, staff and families and creating a sense of belonging that honors each individual.

Dean of Students, Marie Chudnofsky, shared a photo of the Stevens Creek Club Crew, highlighting the staff enjoying themselves. This playful atmosphere helps foster a positive and engaging environment for the students.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

President Taylor opened the floor for community comments. Hearing none, President Taylor closed this portion of the meeting.

DECISION ITEMS

Consent Agenda:

Director Iseminger made a motion to approve the "Consent Agenda" items:

1. Warrant Nos. 314524 to 314732 - $1,149,170.28 manual warrants drawn on the General, Capital Projects & ASB Fund(s) (E:211/24). Warrant Nos. 242500007 to 242500008 - $2,348.70 Comp. & Retail Tax drawn on the General & ASB Fund(s) (E:212/24).
2. Personnel Report: Certified Employment: Gabriella Cardenas SUN, Jin Lee CMHS, Ashly Sonneville MTP; Classified Employment: Mei Lamb ESC OP, Amber Morrow LSMS Paraeducator, Heather Schneider LSMS Paraeducator, April Vessels SKY 1.1 Paraeducator and Kathryn Wong SKY Resource Room Para; Resignations: Allyson Douglas SUN SUN Paraeducator 11/18/24, Roxanna Mead SKY Paraeducator 10/22/24 and Haley Reynolds SKY Paraeducator 10/24/24; Retirements: Anna Andrews LSHS OP 12/31/24, Romey Koreski HLD Paraeducator and Panda Schoonover LSHS OP 12/31/24 (E213/24); Co-curricular Report and Plan of Support for Out-of-Endorsement Teacher: Quinn Allan (E:214/24) October 2024 Payroll 314461 to 214522 - $12,929,324.63 (E:215/24).
3. Approval of fall sports teams, if they make it, to participate in the WIAA post season in their respective sports along with the band and choir to participate in overnight trips (E:216/24).
   Approval of the donation from Ember Management to the LSSD Pool in the amount of $300.00 (E:217/24).

The motion was seconded by Director Lund and unanimously approved.

Director Iseminger motioned to approve the attendance of the School Board Members, the Superintendent, Director of Equity and Inclusion, SACo Vice President and Secretary to attend the WSSDA Conference in Spokane, WA on November 21 – 23, 2024. The motion was seconded by Director Lund and unanimously approved (218/24).

Director Lund motioned to adopt Resolution No. 18-24: Certification of 2025 Excess Property Taxes for General Fund, Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Fund. The motion was seconded by Director Hanson and unanimously approved by a roll call vote (R:18/24).

Director Hanson motioned to approve the Final Acceptance of the public works projects. The motion was seconded by Director Lund and unanimously approved (E:219/24).

The Operations Department has reviewed the work of the contractors listed below on the following public work projects for adherence to contract documents and specifications.

Projects

Provide electric circuit for CTE display at Cavelero MHS (Quality Electric)
Provide electric circuit for display at Lake Stevens HS pool (Quality Electric)

Service Calls

Service intercom in stadium press box at Lake Stevens HS (Dimensional Communications)
Replace electronic lock at Cavelero MHS (Long Building Technologies)
Service entry door at Lake Stevens HS (Long Building Technologies)
Replace broken window at Lake Stevens MS (Pacific Glass and Door)
Replace broken window at Skyline ES (Pacific Glass and Door)
Service fire alarm system in gym at Lake Stevens HS (Pye Barker)
Service stadium lighting at Lake Stevens HS (Quality Electric)
Repair stage lighting and bleacher controls at Cavelero MHS (Quality Electric)

All items on the construction punch list have been completed and all the necessary paperwork to accept the projects has been received.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Executive Director of Communications Jayme Taylor and Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations Teresa Main presented information on Post Bond Election Recap and Planning.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Dr. Templeton discussed the 250 LSSD DECA students, highlighting that they are part of the program because they value teamwork, professionalism, collaboration, and creativity - key skills that will prepare them for the workforce of the future. These students also presented at the Chamber event today, which they attend once a month.

Dr. Templeton also shared that LaChispa was at Cavelero Mid High School today, where sixty LSHS mentor students spent the day speaking with younger bilingual students. They discussed the importance of being proud, biliterate, bicultural, and bilingual, emphasizing the value of these skills.

BOARD COMMENTS

Director Lund praised the School Improvement Plans, noting they were exceptional and expressing his appreciation for their clear format and consistency. Director Lund expressed his gratitude to all the veterans who have served in the military, thanking them for their dedication and service.

Director Iseminger thanked everyone for the building presentations. He appreciated the donation from Ember Management Services to LSHS for supplies to the Pumpkin Patch in the Pool.

Director Kirby congratulated the Students of the Month and APPLE Award recipients.

Director Hanson loved seeing the parents and families that come up when the Student of the Month and APPLE awards are presented. She shared that it's truly inspiring to hear about the students' hopes and aspirations.

President Taylor thanked everyone for attending and shared a reflection from Student of the Month Isabelle Chapman, who described LSMS as "a school full of laughter." She highlighted the inspiring stories from students about their learning, who motivates them, and the care they receive. She expressed her deep gratitude for the incredible work being done every day.

ADJOURNMENT

With no objections from the other directors, President Taylor adjourned the Regular Session at 9:11 p.m.

President

Secretary