

RAINIER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 307
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 19th, 2025 – 6:00 p.m. – DISTRICT OFFICE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT - Jerry Sprouffske, Rebecca Stillings, Amanda Siemandel, Edgar Ooms, Dana Spivey.

STAFF MEMBERS, STUDENTS & PUBLIC PRESENT – Bryon Bahr, Debi Holmes, Justin Gurnsey.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Sprouffske called the board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CHANGES TO AGENDA – No changes.

Approval of Minutes – Director Stillings made a motion to approve the January 22nd Board Meeting minutes. Director Ooms seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Payroll/Vouchers - Director Siemandel made a motion to approve the voucher amounts as listed and Director Spivey seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

	<i>Warrants & Direct Deposits</i>	<i>Totals</i>	<i>Monthly Estimates</i>
<i>Payroll & Benefits</i>	<i>900022135-900022291</i>	<i>1,091,828.34</i>	<i>1,130,000.00</i>
<i>General Fund</i>	<i>74116576-74116639</i>	<i>141,307.00</i>	<i>280,000.00</i>
<i>ASB Fund</i>	<i>74403070-74403075</i>	<i>18,009.42</i>	<i>30,000.00</i>

Audience Input/Public Comment – No Audience Input.

Personnel Actions - Resignation – Debi Holmes, July 31, 2025. The Board recognized the resignation of Debi Holmes. **New Hire** – Brian Hackethal, 1-year MS Para. Director Siemandel made a motion to approve the 1-year hire of Brian Hackethal. Director Ooms seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Dust Collector for CTE Shop and Track Approvals – Greg Glasl presented quotes on the dust collector. The quote from Hermanson is approved through KCDA. The amount of the quote is \$156,581.00 plus tax. Director Siemandel made a motion to approve the replacement of the dust collector for the CTE Shop and Director Ooms seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Greg presented (3) bids he received from Beyon that are approved through KCDA for resurfacing and repair of the cracks in the track. The quote includes removal and disposal. Greg’s recommendation was to go with the BSS 300 Track Surfacing with 10-year warranty. He also explained additional site work options. The quote was for

\$471,531.00 and an additional \$100-\$150,000 for site work plus tax, fees and permits. Director Stillings made a motion to approve the proposal of the BSS 300 Track Surfacing and additional site work and Director Siemandel seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

School Van update - The appraiser deemed that the van is a total loss. The final payment to be received from insurance after \$1000 deductible is \$5,767.04. Bob Marney purchased a car for \$8000 to use in place of the van. Total expense will be \$2,232.96.

Spring Coaching Contracts Approval - Director Stillings made a motion to approve the Spring Coaching Contracts as listed and Director Ooms seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Approval of Band overnight stay at Basketball State Tournament – Director Stillings made a motion to approve the overnight stay of the band at the Basketball State tournament in Spokane WA, and Director Spivey seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

2025/26 School Calendar Drafts – There was discussion about Spring Break being held at the same time as the WIAA Central 2B Schedule versus the Yelm Schools Spring Break. The Board felt it was important to schedule the same as the WIAA Central 2B schools. Bryon will look up the dates and make sure they are correct. We will be sending a survey to staff and families. The survey will be discussed at our March Board meeting prior to final approval.

Administrative Reports – Justin Gurnsey, Special Services Director was the only Admin. Report. All other Administrators were excused for Basketball Districts tonight.

Financial Report – Debi Holmes, Business Manager – Budget Status, Enrollment.

Student Board Representative – Sarah Barry was excused from meeting to attend Basketball Districts.

Superintendent Report – Bryon Bahr

On the 3rd of February I took 6 students to the Capital building and we met with Representative Andrew Barkus and Senator MacEwen and two lobbyists; one from Seattle Utilities and one from Tacoma Power and Light.

February 4th – the Admin Team did Instructional Rounds and went into all Sp. Ed classrooms in the entire district. Instructional rounds are a process where the Admin team visits classrooms to observe teaching and learning. This process is not used to evaluate teachers, but rather to improve teaching and learning and help the Admin Team calibrate their evaluation knowledge. A lot of great things going on and Justin is doing a great job.

This was our 4th set of Instructional Rounds.

February 13th - "Loved ones Day" - had over 600 people attend – it was a great hit! Would like to thank the Staff of the Elementary, and also the maintenance staff with parking. Would also like to thank the CTE foods class for baking all the muffins and serving muffins for all the people.

I will be out of the office March 4th – 7th attending the AASA National Conference, I'm still available by phone or email if you need anything.

Executive Session – Chairman Sprouffske announced an Executive Session at 6:54 p.m. for 15 minutes to discuss a public employee.

Executive session started at 6:55 p.m. Director Stillings made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. and Director Siemandel seconded the motion. Motion passed 5/0.

Adjourn - Director Siemandel made a motion to adjourn the regular school board meeting at 7:11 p.m. and Director Stillings seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Next Scheduled Regular Meeting – Wednesday, March 19th @ 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Bryon Bahr, Secretary

Approved by:
Jerry F. Sprouffske

Secretary to the Board

Chairman of the Board