

SUMNER-BONNEY LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Board of Directors

Kevin Lewis, President
Bill Gaines, Vice President
Erin Markquart, Member
Johanneke Smith, Member
Tom Watson, Member

Our Promise:

*We will know, value, and
support every student, helping
them graduate ready to pursue
a promising future.*

July 16, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

Central Office Board Room
1202 Wood Ave
Sumner, WA 98390

CALL TO ORDER

School Board President Kevin Lewis called the July 16, 2025 Board meeting for the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District No. 320 to order at 6:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Erin Markquart to approve the July 16, 2025 board meeting agenda, second by Tom Watson Motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion was made by Tom Watson to approve the Consent Agenda items below for the July 16, 2025 board meeting, second by JB Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

June 18, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes
Voucher Certification
Personnel Recommendation
Board Consent Form - Interlocal Agreements
Board Consent Form - Contractual Agreements
Surplus Record Report - July

RECOGNITION OF STAFF, STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

Dr. Laurie Dent introduced Pam Knapp, Direct of Transportation, who shared take-aways from the Bus Rodeo and recognized Kellie Lohre, who took first place at the regional level as well as first place in the Transit Bus at the state level. Kellie's mentors included Debbie Lewis and Lynn Yantzer.

SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

This is the time on the agenda for Board members to report on professional development activities they have attended (i.e., conferences, workshops), legislative issues, and other items of interest.

Tom Watson shared he's looking forward to the backpack drives next month.

Bill Gaines shared excitement about the opportunities to connect with the community through the event scheduled in the next month.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

The Sumner-Bonney Lake School Board welcomes the public to its meetings. Individuals who wish to address the Board should sign up ONLINE. Comments are restricted to three minutes.

In-person Registrant(s):

Terri McCoy

Board meeting recessed board meeting at 6:26pm for the preliminary budget

BUSINESS MATTERS

Budget Hearing: Budget Hearing Presentation 2025-2026

The regular meeting recessed to hear Chief Finance Officer, Bryan Verley, present the 2025-2026 school year budget which included an estimate on revenues, expenditures and fund balances for General, Associated Student Body, Transportation Vehicle, Capital Projects and Debt Service funds. There were notable changes to the general fund, which is the day-to-day operations of the district. Changes reported were from the previous year because of an increase of approximately \$4.5 million from the levy, increase of approximately \$3.4 million in general apportionment and increase of approximately \$2.6 million in special education apportionment.

It is projected that the district will begin the school year with about \$35 million dollars based on projections and trends from previous years. Because of the changes in Federal funding the district will have to make changes moving forward to diminish impact and make thoughtful decisions that support our students.

There were no public comments on the budget hearing.

The school board meeting reconvened at 6:51pm

Resolution 19/24-25 Petty Cash Fund Reduction

Motion was made by Tom Watson to adopt Resolution No. 19/24-25 for Petty Cash Fund Reduction under the terms of WAC 28A.65.400. Crestwood Elementary has determined they no longer need petty cash funds due to inactivity and wish to return petty cash funds to the district for deposit to the General Funds account. Motion was second by JB Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

Budget Status Report

The Chief Finance Officer, Bryan Verley, has provided the May budget status report to the Board for information.

Strong Minds, Kind Hearts Project

Motion was made by Bill Gaines to endorse Strong Minds, Kind Hearts as a board-supported project. It will have a district-wide focus for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion was second by Tom Watson. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill Gaines would like the board to schedule time to discuss how the board could participate in the project to move it forward. Dr. Laurie Dent invites at least two board members to act as a liaison to partners in a conversation on how to promote the project district-wide.

Educational Specifications & Schematic Design

Principal from Hutteball + Oremus, Kevin Oremus presented the schematic design and educational specifications for the Sumner High School Phase 2 expansion to the Board of Directors. Items included were the Sumner High School Schematic Design Presentation and Phase 2 Educational Specs.

Resolution No. 20/24-25 Phase 2 Sumner High School Educational Specs

Motion was made by Tom Watson to adopt Resolution No. 20/24-25 Phase 2 Sumner High School Educational Specs to expand Sumner High School, second by JB Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

POLICY MATTERS

Board Policies

In accordance with Policy 1310: Adoption and Amendment of Policies and Bylaws, the following policies were included for **adoption**:

Motion was made by Tom Watson to adopt the following district policies in accordance with Policy 1310: Adoption and Amendment of Policies and Bylaws, second by Erin Markquart. Motion passed unanimously.

3205 Sexual Harassment of Students Prohibited
3206 Pregnant and Parenting Students
3224 Student Dress
5010 Non-discrimination
5011 Sex Harassment of District Staff Prohibited
5013 Parent Family Marital Status and Pregnancy

Board Policies

In accordance with Policy 1310: Adoption and Amendment of Policies and Bylaws, the following policies were included for **first reading**:

2020 Course Design, Selection and Adoption of Instructional Materials
2021 Library Information and Technology Programs

Board Procedures

In accordance with Policy 1310: Adoption and Amendment of Policies and Bylaws, the following procedures were provided for **information only**:

3205P Sexual Harassment of Students Prohibited
3205P.2 Grievance Procedure

3206P Pregnant and Parenting Students
3211P Gender Inclusive Schools
3224P Student Dress
5010P Non-discrimination
5011P Sex Harassment of District Staff Prohibited
5013P Parent Family Marital Status and Pregnancy

INFORMATION

Public Records Transparency Report

General Counsel, Abigail Westbrook, provided a quarterly public records report to the Board. This is a summary report regarding new public records requests that have been filed with the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District over the last three months.

BOARD DISCUSSION

No board discussion

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

A Board Meeting has been scheduled for **Wednesday, August 20, 2025** and will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Central Office Board Room.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:09pm



Laurie Dent
Secretary Board of Directors

Attest:



Kevin Lewis
President of Board of Directors