

ABERDEEN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors – May 1, 2018

At 5:00 p.m. President Bielski convened the regular meeting of the Aberdeen School Board in the Auditorium at Aberdeen High School. Members present were Jennifer Durney, Bill Dyer, Erin Farrer and Jeff Nelson, along with student representative Nadia Wirta, Superintendent Alicia Henderson and 169 patrons and staff. The meeting began with the Flag salute.

CALL TO ORDER

On a motion by Erin Farrer and seconded by Jennifer Durney, the Board approved the Consent Agenda, which included the minutes of the regular meeting on April 17, 2018; approved a trip request for FFA at Aberdeen High School to travel to Washington State University in Pullman for the state convention on May 9-13, and received correspondence from the City of Aberdeen announcing a \$52,432 School Walking Route Improvement Grant.

CONSENT AGENDA

Students in SkillsUSA at Aberdeen High School who earned state championships and will be traveling to Louisville, Ky., in June were recognized. They include: AHS audio production team of Bryson Grenier and Colby Haviland; AHS entrepreneurship team of Michaela Leach, Marina Urvina, Cole Schubert and Blake Beeson. Also going to nationals as part of the combined Aberdeen/Hoquiam/Montesano team are Walker Dunn and Trent Wood of Hoquiam and Danika Peterson of Montesano.

RECOGNITIONS AND
AWARDS

SKILLSUSA

The District's Employees of the Year were recognized. They include Gail Arnold and Dave Douglass, Miller Junior High School; Jan Gravley and Gayle Capsel, Harbor High/Hopkins Building; Chuck Veloni and Kim Edwards, Aberdeen High School; Julie Minsker, District Office; Mona Heggie and Diane Giron, A.J. West Elementary School; Janice Williams and Dawn Odd, Robert Gray Elementary School; Arne Wilppone, Maintenance Department; Mitch Anderson and Trish Stanton, McDermoth Elementary School; Robert Elway, Transportation; Melena Seek and Geri Scott, Central Park Elementary School; Martha Lennier and Shari Van Blaricom, Stevens Elementary School, and Jennifer Lytle, Food Service.

EMPLOYEES OF THE
YEAR

Following the employee recognition awards, President Bielski recessed the meeting for 15 minutes for a short reception.

RECESS

Director Bill Dyer asked the audience to join him in celebrating the accomplishments of Chuck Veloni and the SkillsUSA students. He commented that the All-District Concert was a success; that the AHS Orchestra recently returned from its trip to Canada, which he got to chaperone; that the AHS Band leaves for Victoria, B.C., in a few days, and that Ben Fagerstedt, a senior at AHS, won the all-state vocal competition. He added that it was very gratifying to see staff being recognized during the meeting and told audience members their phone calls and emails are appreciated.

COMMENTS FROM
THE BOARD

Student Representative Nadia Wirta shared information about events and activities at Aberdeen High School, including news of sports teams sending athletes to state competitions and that Spirit Week is taking place this week with the Prom on Saturday; noted that Business Week concluded successfully and she also noted that Ben Fagerstedt and Courtney Glenn placed very well at the state music competition, with Mr. Fagerstedt capturing the championship as a baritone.

COMMENTS FROM
STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVE

A number of parents, staff and students offered comments in support of keeping the principal at Central Park, including Betsy Martinez, Judi Hubbard, Preston Reed, Holly

COMMENTS FROM
THE AUDIENCE

Reed, Malia Irvin, Ken Irvin, Isabel Taylor, Heather Taylor, Erin Dilley-Linton, Steve Gaffney, Fred Scott, Merlyn Sterling and Anna Stone.

AHS Principal Sherri Northington provided results of a survey seeking feedback from staff, students and parents regarding the transition to a trimester system for the master schedule at the high school. The Board asked about the scheduling comments. Ms. Northington said the master schedule is being developed with the feedback in mind, especially keeping students with the same teacher on year-long courses.

TRIMESTER UPDATE

Superintendent Henderson invited Board members to accompany her on a site visit to A.J. West Elementary School on May 3.

SITE VISITS

Superintendent Henderson reviewed the five focus areas for this year – AVID, PBIS, Digital Learning, Special Education and English Language Arts/EL. She noted that Chromebooks with touch screens are being purchased for kindergartners and that the new special education positions are now staffed with professional development planned this fall for the new classes.

2017-2018 FOCUS AREAS

Superintendent Henderson provided an end-of-year events schedule to the Board.

END OF YEAR EVENTS

Superintendent Henderson updated Board members on preparations for the 2018-2019 budget. The District's is waiting for OSPI to finish updates to the budget/revenue forecasting tool due to recent changes by the Legislature.

2018-2019 BUDGET UPDATE

Superintendent Henderson reported that the follow-up testing on the drinking water at four schools that were tested recently by the Department of Health showed that the low-levels of lead that were detected were the result of aged fixtures and not the plumbing. The fixtures will be replaced or removed as practical. Additional bottle filling stations will be added in all buildings. Staff and students will be reminded that water from faucets in classroom sinks should not be used for drinking.

WATER QUALITY UPDATE

Superintendent Henderson provided a letter to the Board from the State Auditor's Office that sets the exit conference for the annual audit for noon Thursday, May 10.

AUDIT EXIT CONFERENCE

Teaching and Learning Director Traci Sandstrom provided an update on the District's ranking for improvement under the Every Student Succeeds Act as part of the Teaching and Learning Report for April.

ESSA UPDATE

Director Sandstrom provided the Teaching and Learning Report for April, which included updates on assessments, AVID, ELA/English Learners, PBIS, Technology/Digital Learning, and the Next Generation Science Standards.

TEACHING AND LEARNING REPORT

Director Sandstrom shared results from the recent STAMP foreign language assessment that was administered to students at Miller Junior High, AHS and Harbor High schools. Forty-nine students took the assessment and 45 earned high school credit for their language proficiency.

STAMP ASSESSMENTS

Athletic Director Aaron Roiko provided the athletic report. Seven girls' sports teams and three boys' sports teams earned recognition from the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association for team grade-point averages above 3.0. He also thanked Kelly Stewart, Steve Reed and Donna Portmann for their ongoing volunteer support of student athletics.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

On a motion by Erin Farrer and seconded by Jeff Nelson, the Board adopted Resolution 2018-02 Delegating Authority to the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA) for the regulation of student athletics.	2018-2019 WIAA RESOLUTION
The Board approved renewal of the contract with South Sound Parent-to-Parent Support Program of Thurston County for the provision of Birth-3 special education services.	PARENT-TO-PARENT CONTRACT
Maintenance and Operations Supervisor Mike Pauley provided an update on maintenance projects taking place in the District along with an update on maintenance planned for the summer.	MAINTENANCE UPDATE
On a motion by Bill Dyer and seconded by Erin Farrer, the Board declared as surplus two 1997 Thomas buses – Bus 114, VIN 1T7HT4B2XV1149021, which has approximately 190,000 miles and Bus 115, VIN 1T7HT4B21V1149022, which has approximately 202,000 miles.	SURPLUS BUSES
The Board began review of the Policy 4000 Series – Community Relations.	POLICY 4000 SERIES
The next meeting of the Board is set for 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, in the Board Room of the Administration Building.	NEXT MEETING
Additional public comment in support of the principal at Central Park Elementary School was offered by Melanie Bickar, Miranda Shoemaker, Jordan Beeman, Lucy Machowek, Nadia Wirta, Connie Chicano and Melena Seek.	COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE
At 7:20 p.m., President Sandra Bielski recessed the meeting for an executive session expected to last 45 minutes under RCW 42.30.110(g) (to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee) and to discuss collective bargaining. The session began at 7:27 p.m. At 8:12 p.m. the meeting was extended for an additional 15 minutes. At 8:29 p.m. the regular meeting reconvened.	EXECUTIVE SESSION
On a motion by Bill Dyer and seconded by Jennifer Durney the Board approved the Personnel Report. Under certificated matters, the Board approved the hiring of Mary Easton as a Special Education teacher at Aberdeen High School and Phil Braaten and William Stricker as math/science teachers at Miller Junior High School for 2018-2019; approved the Summer School hirings of Shelbie Dickson as a CTE culinary Arts teacher in the Twin Harbors Skills Center effective June 18 to July 6, Tracy Ecklund as the CTE photography teacher in the Twin Harbors Skills Center effective July 9-25, Lindsey Kargbo as the CTE health care teacher in the Twin Harbors Skills Center effective June 18 to July 6 and Christopher Howell as the math/science teacher at Harbor High School effective June 15 to July 3; approved 2018-2019 changes of assignment for Theodore Wiseman from Stevens Elementary School to Central Park Elementary School, and Donna Stanfill from Robert Gray Elementary School to special education for the District; accepted resignations from Tracy Miner as Link Crew adviser at Aberdeen High School effective June 30, Brandon Winkelman as principal at McDermoth Elementary School effective June 30, Daniela Dooley as the Highly Capable teacher (0.5 FTE) for the District effective June 14, and from Ravinder Jandu as a math teacher at Aberdeen High School effective June 15, and approved the hiring of Christopher Nitti as a substitute for the District.	PERSONNEL REPORT CERTIFICATED
	CLASSIFIED

Under classified matters the Board approved the hiring of Gayle Capsel as coordinator for summer school at Harbor High School effective June 15 to July 3; approved a leave of absence for Cassandra Chesterman, a para-educator at McDermoth Elementary School, effective April 7 to June 14, and accepted resignations from substitutes Robert Hagen effective April 30 and from James Streifel Jr. effective March 30.

On a motion by Bill Dyer and seconded by Jennifer Durney the Board approved the Certificated Staffing List for 2018-2019 as amended to include a pending contract for Kimberly Ivy Lyles provided her certification is completed.

On a motion by Jennifer Durney and seconded by Bill Dyer the Board approved the District Administrative Staffing List for 2018-2019.

On a motion by Jeff Nelson and seconded by Jennifer Durney the Board approved the Building Administrative Staffing List for 2018-2019.

The Board continued discussion of baseline assumptions that will need to be made to build the 2018-2019 budget once the calculating tools are available from OSPI. Given the uncertain economy, they directed Executive Director of Business and Operations Elyssa Louderback to continue past practice of building a budget that is 2 percent less than the current year and maintaining a minimum fund balance of 5 percent.

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

CERTIFICATED
STAFFING LIST

DISTRICT
ADMINISTRATIVE
STAFFING LIST 2018-
2019

BUILDING
ADMINISTRATIVE
STAFFING LIST 2018-
2019

MISCELLANEOUS

ADJOURN

Alicia Henderson, Secretary

Sandra Bielski, President