

**LA CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING**

Minutes
December 16, 2008
7:00 p.m.

Present: Superintendent Mark Mansell, and board members Melissa Miller, Bob Taylor, John Parsons and Wendy Chord

Minutes taken by: Laurie Kansanback

Administrators: Dave Holmes, Bonnie Lock, and David Cooke

Staff: Dan Bentson-Royal

Guests: Numerous students

PART 1.0 – CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Corrections to the Agenda:

None.

Motion 08/09-21 made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Parsons, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held November 25, 2008.

Motion Carried

Audience and Board Communication:

“Say Something Positive”

Mrs. Chord attended a meeting with Dr. Mansell held at Clark College and bringing together the college’s Board of Directors and representatives of various district boards in the area. She was pleased to see that La Center is well ahead of the game in graduation requirements thanks to work already done on CORE 24 and Navigation 101. Mr. Parsons is grateful that we do not have some of the student problems that our neighbors are facing. Also, he is pleased by all the giving that is going on in each of the buildings. He feels it sends the message to our students that individuals can and do make a difference and that is important. Mr. Taylor stated that he feels the “paperless” board book is a positive both in cost savings and in our efforts to be as transparent as possible. Mrs. Miller appreciates staff for promoting leadership among our student body as well as all their efforts to stand behind IMP Math. Dr. Mansell shared that he has had a chance to speak to each building at a staff meeting about the upcoming state budget deficit and has been pleased by the caring response and many examples of the “La Center Way” of doing business. He will continue to keep staff informed as more information becomes available. Mr. Cooke echoed Dr. Mansell’s view of our staff as extremely unselfish. They just want to know what needs to be done so they can get in there and do it. Mr. Holmes is involved with the K-12 math group and has found his time spent to be both exciting and beneficial. Mike Holland did an excellent job leading the last meeting. Mrs. Lock attended the holiday Bazaar and heard praise for our students from some of the vendors. Mr. Bentson-Royal offered kudos to Beth Marshall for her helpfulness on computers.

Public Input

None

Part 2.0 - Consent Agenda will be acted upon with a single motion unless a board member desires to remove an item from the agenda.

Motion 08/09-22 made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mrs. Chord,
to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- 2.1 Vouchers
 - A. December payroll in an amount not to exceed \$725,000.00
 - B. General Fund Warrants #73291-73366 in the amount of \$136,496.60
 - C. ASB Fund Warrants #7233-7262 in the amount of \$18,371.54
 - D. Private Trust Fund Warrants #4681 in the amount of \$72.44

- 2.2 Personnel
 - A. Classified:
 - B. Certificated:
 - 1. Shae Whelchel, Maternity Leave

- 2.3 Other items for Board Review:
 - A. Superintendent's Report
 - 1. Principals' Report
 - 2. Curriculum Director Report
 - 3. Technology Director Report
 - 4. Budget Report
 - 5. Enrollment Report
 - 6. Impact Fee Report
 - B. Letter from CISPUS Learning Center (See attached)
 - C. Memo from Mark Mansell (See attached)

Motion Carried

PART 3.0 – LINKAGE

None this month.

PART 4.0 – ASSURANCE OF ORGANIZATIONAL PERFORMANCE

PART 5.0 – WRITTEN POLICY

- 5.1 Review of B/SR 1, 2, 3, and 4: No changes required.

PART 6.0 – OTHER ITEMS NEEDING BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION

- 6.1 Election of Board Officers:
 - A. Board Chair

Motion 08/09-23 made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Parsons to retain Mrs. Miller as the board chair.

Motion Carried

B. Board Vice Chair

Motion 08/09-24 made by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mrs. Chord to retain Mr. Taylor as the board vice chair.

Motion Carried

C. Board Legislative Representative

Motion 08/09-25 made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mrs. Chord to elect Mrs. Yaw as the board legislative representative.

Motion Carried

D. WIAA Representative

Motion 08/09-26 made by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mr. Taylor to elect Mrs. Chord as the WIAA representative.

Motion Carried

6.2 State Budget Deficit: Mark shared the latest information on this topic with the board.

It appears at this time that proposed cuts may not be as severe as originally supposed. So far the Governor has indicated cuts to I-728 of 24%, I-732 (COLA) of 100% for the next two years, Levy Equalization of about 30% and some grants. It will be March before we know any more on this and the final budget will not be accepted until late Spring.

6.3 January Workshop Agenda:

- A. Annual Agenda
- B. Budget Deficit Discussion
- C. Facility Needs

6.4 Remand Hearing on Boundary Petition: Although every effort was made, the result of the remanded hearing was the same as before. It is now 5 years before we can try again.

6.5 Digital Board Book: The board was pleased with the first digital board book and has agreed to a trial period of a few months to see if any unanticipated issues arise.

PART 7.0 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

None needed.

PART 8.0 – ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

8.1 Signing of Board Documents: (GP-2-E)

8.2 Board Self-Assessment: (GP-2-E)

Board Chair

Member

Member

Member

Member

Board Secretary