LA CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR MEETING

Minutes
October 26, 2010
7:00 p.m.
High School Library

Present: Superintendent Mark Mansell, and board members Bob Taylor, Cris Yaw, John Parsons, Todd Jones and Wendy Chord
Minutes taken by : Laurie Kansanback
Administrators: Dave Holmes, Carol Patton, Scott Lincoln and David Cooke
Staff: Ruth Schrock
Guest: Josh Soske

NOTE: A special executive session was held prior to the regular meeting (at 6:00 pm) in the district office conference room to discuss a legal matter with district counsel Mike Patterson.

PART 1.0 – CALL TO ORDER
Mr. Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the flag salute.

AUDIENCE AND BOARD COMMUNICATION:
"Say Something Positive"
Mr. Jones started us off by stating that he found it easy to think of positives about our district. He is new to the Board and considers it an honor to be allowed to help things to continue to go right. Mr. Parsons talked about the math tutoring workshop held by Dave Holmes and how well that went. Also, how much he appreciates the excellence of our website and offered kudos to the people responsible for keeping it up. Mrs. Chord stated that she has had the privilege of attending the various trainings Dave Holmes has conducted so far this year (volunteer training, math tutoring, substitute training, dug & alcohol parent information night, etc.) and has been very impressed with the job he has done. There has been no "blah….blah….blah…." at these trainings; just great information presented in a "listener friendly" format. Also, she appreciates Mark's little mini-lesson on the Pledge of Allegiance – it is great to learn something new about something we just do and don't think about. Mrs. Yaw stated that she really enjoyed the recent Board linkage with the La Center City Council. It was interesting to learn from them. Now she will be looking to see what may come out of the time spent. Also, she saw the Elephant Puzzle on the website done by a girl in woodshop. She was struck by some of the awesome opportunities our students have access to. Mr. Taylor shared how much he appreciates Dr. Mansell's innovative way of thinking and all the stuff he has made happen in the district. He has been really amazed by the movement he has seen in the district from what was a good place to be to what he believes is a great place to be. He also expressed his pleasure with new board member Todd Jones for his participation in the discussion with the La Center City Council and with his visit to Mrs. Bounds' class. He found Mrs. Bounds to be interesting to listen to. On a personal note Mr. Taylor expressed his appreciation for the professionalism of the HS staff (Mrs.

Landerholm, Ms. Patton and Cathy Osborn) as well as Dave Holmes in helping his family through a tough situation with one of his daughters. He could not have asked for anything more. Dr. Mansell thanked the Board for always being prepared when they come to meetings and for all the extra work they have put in lately. They are making a real difference in the direction the District is going and they need to know how much he appreciates them. Ms. Patton shared about a field trip Ms. Newman's A/P Biology class took, the garbage sorting (for composting purposes) that was undertaken in the rain earlier in the day and how her first Homecoming Week had gone. It is obvious that she is delighted to be a part of the HS staff. Mr. Holmes shared that Katie Parsons (Mr. Parsons daughter) had corrected him on the Pledge of Allegiance 4 years earlier so that might be where Mr. Parsons had heard before what Mark had shared. He went on to say that he held the second substitute institute Monday night and it was well attended and productive. He shared that he will be holding an internet safety training on November 18th. As the Board will be at WSSDA at that time and several board members would like to see the presentation, Mr. Holmes indicated that he would videotape it. Mr. Cooke shared that conferences went well. He is very glad to have Mrs. Lynne Cooke back after her two week absence. Also, how impressed he has been with SPED Coordinator Michelle Murer who has had a "shift of mind" this year around focusing more on student learning than just being compliant with SPED rules. SPED kids are doing well and it has been great to see her energy and commitment. Mr. Lincoln stated that elementary parent conferences went very well and were very well attended. He shared that the Carnival was also a great success and that the haunted houses were scary. He did not go to either the plain scary one or the very scary one because, well…..he finds them scary! Ms. Schrock shared that for the first time ever she did not have even one "no-show" for conferences. It was great! Also, she is excited about a tech class she and Ms. Bussler are attending at ESD. Mr. Soske offered kudos to Ms. Poffenroth & Ms. Harmon for their work on the haunted houses and carnival in general as well as Skot Barker's work on just about everything.

Public Input: Mr. Soske asked if the Board had any input they wanted to share on Resolution 52. The Board does not.

PART 2.0 – CONSENT AGENDA will be acted up on with a single motion unless a board member desires to remove an item from the agenda.

Motion 10/11-6 made by Mrs. Yaw, seconded by Mrs. Chord,
To approve the consent agenda as follows:

2.1 Approval of Minutes (GP-8 & EL-11)
- A. Minutes of meeting held September 28, 2010
- B. Minutes of workshop held October 12, 2010

2.2 Vouchers (EL-8, EL-10 & EL-11)
- A. Payroll for September in an amount not to exceed $666,551.18
- B. General Fund Warrants #78388-78514 in the amount of $175,729.37
- C. Capital Projects Fund Warrant #7779-7780 in the amount of $459.00
- D. ASB Fund Warrants #1331-1361 in the amount of $16,888.66
- E. Private Purpose Fund Warrant # in the amount of $NONE
- F. Comp Tax Warrants #78515-78516 in the amount of $535.26
- G. Voided Duplicates of Warrants #78512-78514 in the amount of $163.17

2.3 Personnel (EL-4 & EL-11)
- A. Classified
- B. Certificated

2.4 Donations:
- A. Syi Conley, Weight equipment to high school.
- B. Michelle Heckroth, 8 books @ $50
- C. Doug Pershall, National Geographics @ $25
- D. Vivian Kosak, Books @ $40

2.5 Other Items for Board Review (EL-8 & EL-11)
- A. Superintendent's Report
  1. Asst Supt of Teaching & Learning Report
  2. Principals' Report – ES, MS, HS
  3. Technology Director Report
  4. Budget Report
     - a. Budget Status
     - b. Cash Flow Analysis Chart
     - c. Cash Flow Analysis
  5. Enrollment Report
     - a. Enrollment History Graph
     - b. FTE Enrollment
     - c. Head Count Enrollment
  6. Impact Fee Report
- B. Correspondence from Children First Committee
- C. Memo establishing revolving and petty cash funds for 2010/2011

Motion Carried

PART 3.0 – LINKAGE

None.

PART 4.0 – Assurance of Organizational Performance (*Action Required)*

4.1 Monitoring report: EL-18: Mandatory Policies

Motion 10/11-7 made by Mrs. Yaw, seconded by Mr. Jones
To approve Monitoring Report EL-18 as submitted.

Motion Carried

PART 5.0 – Written Policy

None.

PART 6.0 – Other Items Needing Board Action/Discussion

6.1 Resolution No. 2010/2011-2: Re-certify Debt Service Fund Levy

Motion 10/11-8 made by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mrs. Chord
To approve resolution No. 2010/2011-2 as submitted.

Motion Carried

6.2 Board member-superintendent learning walks: Several board members were able to make time to go on learning walks with Mark. They found things have changed a lot since they went to school! They also found the classrooms to be warm and inviting. They all indicated they are looking forward to doing more of this sort of thing.

6.3 Debrief from Linkage with City Council: This opportunity was appreciated by the board in general. It will be interesting to see what comes from this beginning.

6.4 WSSDA Annual Conference: 11/17-20 All board members will be attending this year's conference. All board members will travel by car to Spokane. Rooms are booked at the Oxford Suites. We will be presenting on November 18th in the afternoon. More details will be available at the November workshop.

6.5 KWRL Linkage Meeting 10/28/10 @ 7:00 PM: Just a reminder to Cris and Bob who have agreed to go.

6.6 November Workshop:
A. WSSDA Annual Conference
B. Policy GP-2-E3 Board Member Vacancy for discussion

PART 7.0 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

7.1 Held earlier – see note at beginning of these minutes.

PART 8.0 – ADJOURNMENT AT 8:10 PM

8.1 Review of Quarterly Board Self-Assessment (GP-2-E)

8.2 Signing of Board Documents (GP-2-E)

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