**LA CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**REGULAR MEETING**

Minutes
November 30, 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 and Dan Bentson
Guest: Josh Soske, Brian Deans and numerous students

**NOTE: This meeting was moved from November 23rd because of inclement weather.**

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

**CORRECTION TO AGENDA: Addition of item 6.3 State budget update.**

AUDIENCE AND BOARD COMMUNICATION:
"Say Something Positive"
Mr. Taylor shared that the Veteran's Day program at the middle school was excellent. Mrs. Yaw talked about what a great system we have here in La Center. Mrs. Chord shared that it was obvious from conversations at the WSSDA conference that we are on the "cutting edge" of virtually everything important to education these days. It feels good! Mr. Parsons shared how wonderful he feels it is to see how much time and effort both students and staff put into making this a great place to be and to learn. Mr. Jones was surprised to find at WSSDA how many boards and superintendents had issues. That just has not been his experience here. Dr. Mansell really appreciates the board's commitment of time and energy to their work on behalf of the district. He was really impressed with how well the presentation they did at WSSDA went off. Mr. Holmes shared that he had held the Internet Safety training and it was well attended. He videotaped it and is working on getting it on the website for interested parties to view. Ms. Patton stated that she feels this is the finest student body she has ever had the pleasure to work with. The pride and work ethic that is apparent in all they do is awesome. Mr. Cooke has been learning about the elementary school through his work with the "Old Dog" group (a group of veteran teachers that are helping our "Old Dog" superintendent learn about cognitive demand in the early grades). Their work and knowledge has been very impressive. Mr. Lincoln had a list of things to share but just realized his last discipline referral was on November 8th. That is a very long time for this time of year. Mr. Bentson shared that it has been great working with Josh and Brian on the TLTF. Mr. Taylor added that "we, as a board, appreciate them also" – let the record show. Mrs. Schrock stated that she is so grateful for such an excellent board, district office staff and superintendent to work with. It is a pleasure.

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 10/11-9 made by Mrs. Chord, seconded by Mr. Jones, To approve the consent agenda as follows:

2.1 Approval of Minutes (GP-8 & EL-11)
- A. Minutes of meeting held October 26, 2010
- B. Minutes of workshop held November 9, 2010

2.2 Vouchers (EL-8, EL-10 & EL-11)
- A. Payroll for November in an amount not to exceed $725,000.00
- B. General Fund Warrants #78518-78641 in the amount of $171,015.26
- C. Capital Projects Fund Warrant #1362 in the amount of $350.00
- D. ASB Fund Warrants #7781-7820 in the amount of $31,821.94
- E. Private Purpose Fund Warrant # in the amount of $NONE
- F. Comp Tax Warrants #78642-78643 in the amount of $1,977.32

2.3 Personnel (EL-4 & EL-11)
- A. Classified
  1. David Bolden, Medical Leave
  2. Sally Doss, Leave of Absence
- B. Certificated

2.4 Donations:
- A. Books to K-8 Library from Tonya McCord
- B. Book worth $24 to HS Library from Don McCullough
- C. Book on Ancient Egypt to K-8 Library from Bonnie Lock
- D. Book from Alec Watkins (5th grade) to K-8 Library
- E. Reader's Digest Magazines from Sheila Morken

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. Supporting Student Success Small Project Grant – for HS Library $4,000
- C. Memo from Brett Blechschmidt (See attached)
- D. Curriculum Adoption (See attached)

<u>Motion Carried</u>

PART 3.0 – LINKAGE

3.1 Linkage with Technology for Learning Task Force: Co-chairs Josh Soske and Brian Deans shared the progress of the TLTF and made a recommendation against a tech levy at this time. They also indicated that the timeframe for the TLTF work would need to be extended beyond the original January completion date due to the direction the information found has taken them.

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

4.1 Monitoring report: E-2: Academic Achievement

Motion 10/11-10 made by Mrs. Yaw, seconded by Mrs. Chord
To approve Monitoring Report E-2 as submitted.

Motion Carried

4.2 Monitoring report: EL-12: Communication with the Public

Motion 10/11-11 made by Mrs. Yaw, seconded by Mr. Parsons
To approve Monitoring Report EL-12 as submitted.

Motion Carried

4.3 Monitoring report: EL-13: Academic Standards and Practices

Motion 10/11-12 made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Parsons
To approve Monitoring Report EL-13 as submitted.

Motion Carried

4.4 Monitoring report: EL-14: Academic Program

Motion 10/11-13 made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Yaw
To approve Monitoring Report EL-14 as submitted.

Motion Carried

PART 5.0 – Written Policy

5.1 Review of GP-13: Process for Addressing Board Member Violations: No change.

PART 6.0 – Other Items Needing Board Action/Discussion

6.1 WSSDA Annual Conference Debrief: The board had a productive and educational time at the conference. They continued to be amazed at how little time the other boards around the State spend on learning. They seem to spend most of their time micro-managing or worrying about budgets.

6.2 No December Workshop. Regular meeting is moved to December 14th due to holiday.

6.3 State Budget Update: Dr. Mansell explained repercussions of the State budget issues. For us this may mean approximately $200,000 short fall for this year. He will provide the board with a report on budget reduction options at the next meeting which may include some cuts to support staff hours among other things. His goal in looking at our options is that students not feel the pinch.

Meeting adjourned to executive session at 8:50 PM.

PART 7.0 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

7.1 Updates on legal and property matters.

Executive session adjourned to regular meeting at 9:10 PM.

PART 8.0 – ADJOURNMENT AT 9:15 PM

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

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