LA CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

March 22, 2011
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: Dan Bentson
Guests: None

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. Taylor started us off by talking about the student led conferences at the middle school. He felt they were very successful and his daughter learned a lot. Mrs. Yaw wished to publicly thank Mrs. Barnes for all her years of dedication and service to the district and wish her all the best in her retirement. We will all miss her. Also, Mrs. Yaw shared that in her view middle school has always been viewed as a time and place to be "got through" (hopefully unscathed) but never as very productive. She is amazed and delighted at the work being accomplished at the middle school by our staff and students where great things are happening and the attitude is one of "can do". Mrs. Chord offered kudos to Lynne Adams for all the hard work she puts in and the great job she does with athletics. She also talked about the work going on in MS special education and went on to acknowledge all the many positive contributions made by Dr. Mansell. Mr. Parsons thanked those folks responsible for providing the financial reports the board sees each month. They are informative and well done (good job Mr. Blechschmidt). He was also impressed with the 8th grade parent meeting about registering for high school. He heard many positives about this event from community members. Mr. Parsons also shared his enthusiasm for the Phoenix program recently begun at the high school. By all accounts the first weekend participation was very positive for both students and staff. Mr. Jones talked about how good he is feeling about the WATCHDOGS program at the elementary school. He feels this is tapping into a huge resource the district has not yet accessed. Dr. Mansell was going to show a video about the wetlands but software is not cooperating so he will send it to board members to watch on their own. He did share the "No, not exactly" video with the board. Mr. Holmes publicly thanked Joni Hancock for teaching the Love & Logic class these past few months. It was a great success and parents participated donated $795 back to the program for materials for a parent library. Very exciting. Ms. Patton is excited about the in-service the high school staff had last week. The staff thought of 101 positive things to celebrate at the high school – even in these tough economic times! Mr. Lincoln shared that the recent book fair was responsible for "gifting" approximately $4,000 worth of books to students, teachers and the K-8 library. Mr. Cooke thanked Mr. Holmes for all his help this year. He shared that having Mr. Holmes in the position he is in

has allowed significantly more access to his expertise which has been wonderful. The impact Mr. Holmes is making is showing up across the district. Also, he is really pleased that kids are still fully engaged at a time of year when typically their interest in school starts to wane. Mr. Benson shared that it was nice to see 3 kids just "hanging" in Ms. Morris' classroom during her prep.

Public Input on Non-Agenda Items: None

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 10/11-25 made by Mrs. Chord, seconded by Mr. Parsons, To approve the consent agenda with the following Correction: Under 2.3 Personnel; B. Classified; 1 Spring Coaches; memo should say Girls Golf, not Boys Golf.

2.1 Approval of Minutes (GP-8 & EL-11)
- A. Minutes of meeting held February 22, 2011
- B. Minutes of board workshop held March 8, 2011

2.2 Vouchers (EL-8, EL-10 & EL-11)
- A. Payroll for March in an amount not to exceed $725,000.00
- B. General Fund Warrants #79356-79458 in the amount of $143,245.61
- C. Capital Projects Fund Warrants #1368-1369 in the amount of $403.00
- D. ASB Fund Warrants #7905-7924 in the amount of $7,283.18
- E. Comp Tax Warrants #79459-79460 in the amount of $176.66

2.3 Personnel (EL-4 & EL-11)
- A. Certified
  1. Shirley Barnes, Retirement
- B. Classified
  1. Spring Coaches (see attached)

2.4 Donations:
- A. Rae Lowery, 91 books to elementary staff
- B. Bonnie Poffenroth, book

2.5 Other Items for Board Review (EL-8 & EL-11)
- A. Superintendent's Report
  1. Principals' Report – ES, MS, HS
  2. Asst. Supt. of Teaching & Learning Report
  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. Establishment of revolving and Petty Cash Funds (see attached)
C. Surplus Weight Equipment

Motion Carried

PART 3.0 – LINKAGE

3.1 Teaching & Learning Showcase: Mr. Holmes updated the board on what he has been doing this year and where we are with curriculum updates, etc. In addition, an update on the CTE program was provided.

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

None this month.

PART 5.0 – Written Policy

5.1 First Reading of EL-3: Treatment of Parents, Students, and the Public

Motion 10/11-26 made by Mr. Parsons, seconded by Mr. Jones
To approve the first reading of EL-3 as Submitted.

Motion Carried

5.2 Review of GP-5, 6 & 7: No changes required.

PART 6.0 – Other Items Needing Board Action/Discussion

6.1 Transportation Scheduling for Next Year: Dr. Mansell shared that the KWRL Co-op will be staying the course for next year. We may look at piloting 2 areas for "walking school bus".

6.2 Weekly Scheduled Late Arrival Concept: This is still under consideration. More on this as things develop.

6.3 Budget Update: Do we know anything about how much money we will have? No, not exactly.

6.4 April Workshop & Staff Linkage: Reminder that the workshop will be in conjunction with staff linkage and will run 3:15 to 6:30 on April 12th.

We do not believe it is appropriate to have a community meeting on the budget at this time as we do not have anything reliable from the state yet.

PART 7.0 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

None needed this month.

PART 8.0 – ADJOURNMENT AT 8:50 PM

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

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

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