



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

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

**Tuesday, February 23, 2021
7:00 PM
K-8 Cafeteria
Note Location Change**

There will be a closed Executive Session under RCW 42.30.140 to discuss the Superintendent Contract before the Regular Board Meeting from 6:30 p.m. to 6:55 p.m., in ES Classroom #403 (Denney).

Board Members Present: Wendy Chord, Todd Jones, Eric Lindberg, Win Muffett, Cris Yaw

Board Members Absent:

Superintendent: Dave Holmes

Administrators: Peter Rosenkranz, Carol Patton, Greg Hall, Mike Nolan, Nancy Carner, Lauri Landerholm, Kurt Gray

Staff and Guests: Bill Hrdina, Carrie Lindsay, Josh Soske, Bhriana Torres, Erin Uskoski

Minutes taken by: Tammy Lichliter

PART 1.0 – CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Jones called the regular meeting to order with the flag salute at 7:03 p.m.

Corrections and Changes:

None.

Audience and Board Communication

Say something positive:

Mr. Muffett is glad that we are meeting in-person. It is fabulous to see everyone that came out tonight. He is happy to see real faces. We are also close to getting high school students back in class and getting the education that they deserve. He is also excited that extracurricular activities are going on so that students get human to human contact which is important and heartwarming. Mr. Lindberg echoed everything that Mr. Muffett said. He is excited that we are back and it is great to see everyone. Mrs. Yaw noted that John and Colleen Johnson were retiring. All 3 of her kids had Mr. Johnson for math.

She appreciates his dedication and the investment in our kids for all these years. She wishes them well. Mrs. Chord also echoed all of the prior comments by the board. Her daughter had Mrs. Johnson and she noted that the Johnsons have been a huge asset who have contributed a lot and they will be missed. She also commented that she went on a tour of the new middle school last week. She is very excited and it is looking better than she imagined it would. Mr. Jones commented that he went to the climbing tower celebration. It is great to see that it is done and he thanked everyone for their work on it. He then commented about the board reports. The Character Cards at the middle school are an especially great way to recognize students. Mrs. Landerholm has made 147 home visits honoring students this year so far. He then commented that the high school report highlighted the work the district CTE director is doing. He is glad that the district has a CTE director since most of our students do not go on to 4 year colleges. He thanked Ms. Patton and Mr. Holmes for making CTE a priority for our students. Mr. Holmes also noted that it is sad to see the Johnsons retiring, although he is happy for them. He added that Bonnie Lock will be retiring after 40 years with the district. She has held many positions in the district and has had a huge impact on our students. She will be missed. He also added that high school students will be returning to hybrid in-person next week. He thanked Danielle Rivers and Erin Uskoski for their work in helping with the health and safety of our students and staff. He has the highest degree of confidence in their work and they are a great asset to the district. He also thanked the building administrators for their work in getting their buildings ready for students. The next thing to work on is getting all students back full time. OSPI is pushing for the 6-foot distancing to go away. The state's goal is to get all students back full time. Ms. Patton said that report cards went out today. One hundred twenty one (121) students made the 3.5 honor roll. Sixty one (61) students improved their grades from last year to this year. The F's were not as bad as she thought they would be. Credit recovery plans are coming for those students. One more teacher will be added to the home school academy to help since there are 75-80 high school students currently enrolled there. She thanked Mr. Gray for his help with the home school academy. Mr. Rosenkranz said he loves that the meeting is in person. He then gave a shout out to Connie Majors and Shantina Fox for their work on all of the current new hires. He noted that there are a couple of paras that are getting their degrees to become teachers. Another way the district "grows their own."

Public Input on Non Agenda Items:

None.

PART 2.0 – CONSENT AGENDA –

Motion 20/21-40

made by Mr. Muffett seconded by Mr. Lindberg to approve the consent agenda as follows:

2.1 Approval of Minutes

- A. [Minutes of board meeting January 26, 2021](#)
- B. [Minutes of board/student linkage, February 9, 2021](#)

2.2 Vouchers

- A. Payroll for this month not to exceed \$1,700,000.00
- B. [GF warrants #98499-98537 in the amt. of \\$84,828.77](#)
- C. [ASB warrants #10739-10742 in the amt. of \\$1,010.52](#)
- D. [CF warrants #1875-1879 in the amt. of \\$104,354.14](#)
- E. [CF ACH warrants #202100095-202100097 in the amt. of \\$2,495,871.62](#)
- F. [GF ACH warrants #202100099-202100111 in the amt. of \\$1,902.99](#)

- G. [CF ACH warrants #202100112-202100114 in the amt. of \\$2,784,162.71](#)
- H. [GF warrants #98538-98574 in the amt. of \\$111,710.75](#)
- I. [ASB warrants #10743-10746 in the amt. of \\$7,508.43](#)
- J. [CF warrants #1880-1883 in the amt. of \\$24,291.74](#)
- K. [Fund 70 warrant #304 in the amt. of \\$58.54](#)

2.3 Personnel

A. Certified

1. Ute Petersen, 4th Gr. Long Term Substitute effective 2/1/21
2. Austin Vaughan, HS ELA Long Term Substitute effective 2/8/21
3. Michelle Sedgley, 2nd Gr. Long Term Substitute effective 1/26/21
4. Isaac Klander, K-5 Music Long Term Substitute effective date TBD
5. Bonnie Lock, Retirement from 4th Grade Teacher effective end of 20/21 school year
6. John Johnson, retirement from HS Math Teacher effective end of 20/21 school year
7. Allyson Colleen Johnson, retirement from Kindergarten Teacher effective end of 20/21 school year
8. Cailee Martin, MS Math/STEM Long Term Substitute effective 4/12/21
9. Melanie Hanes, 6th Gr. ELA & 6th-8th Drawing Long Term Substitute effective 2/18/21
10. Kevin Uyesugi, MS Science Long Term Substitute effective 2/22/21
11. Kasey Hiblar, 7th Grade Science Long Term Substitute effective 2/22/21
12. Sheri Reid, 6th Grade Science Long Term Substitute effective 2/18/21
13. Preston Brooks, 6th Grade History & 6th-8th Art Long Term Substitute effective 2/18/21

B. Classified

1. Tracey Stimmel, temporary Health Room Aide effective 2/1/21
2. Zachary McRobert, resignation from HS Shop Para I to accept HS Para I Spec. Ed. effective 1/22/21
3. Jessica Willoughby, resignation Para I effective 1/19/21
4. Elizabeth McGhghy, Temporary Custodian, effective 2/8/21
5. Kristen Leseberg, resignation from Mail, Playground Monitor/Support Aide effective 1/28/21
6. Kelsy McWhorter resignation from Para I effective 2/12/21
7. Thomas Dreyer, resignation from MS Football Asst. Coach effective 2/1/21
8. Alison Irwin, temporary Para I effective 2/8/21
9. Stephanie Tabor, Para I effective 2/8/21
10. Meghan Bridger, Para I effective 2/16/21
11. Emily Weil, Temporary Playground Monitor/Support Aide effective date TBD

2.4 Donations

1. Anonymous, \$2530 in total cash donations from single source (made through the calendar year 2020) to the ES to help students as needed

2.5 Other Items for Board Review

A. Reports

1. [Superintendent](#)
2. [Assistant Superintendent](#)
3. [Elementary School](#)

4. [Middle School](#)
5. [High School](#)
6. [Director of Athletics and Extracurricular Activities](#)
7. [Director of Technology](#)
8. [Home School Academy](#)
9. [Library – None this month](#)
10. Enrollment Reports- [Head Count, FTE](#)
11. [Monthly Financial Reports – Budget Status, Forecast 5](#)

Motion Carried
With a vote of 5 Yeas and 0 Nays

PART 3.0 – LINKAGE

3.1 Middle School Showcase – Nathan Wilfong shared a video [highlights of the Structured Learning Center](#). Bhriana Torres provided more information after the video as Mr. Wilfong is out on paternity leave. Ms. Torres is a paraeducator/emergency substitute for the district working in the SLC. The SLC focuses on behavior and academics. The support for each student is individualized according to their IEP. The goal of the SLC is to keep students for the short term (maximum of 2 years if possible) to assist them in getting back to general education classes. This program is considered the most restrictive setting for students. The program also keeps students within the district instead of sending them out to other district programs such as Fir Grove. It is an amazing program that supports students in moving to least restrictive environments.

PART 4.0 – ASSURANCE OF ORGANIZATIONAL PERFORMANCE (Monitoring Reports)

Motion 20/21-41 made by Mrs. Chord seconded by Mrs. Yaw to approve EL-8 as written:

- 4.1 [EL-8 Student Safety, Attendance, Conduct and Discipline](#)

Motion Carried
With a vote of 5 Yeas and 0 Nays

PART 5.0 – WRITTEN POLICY

Motion 20/21-42 made by Mrs. Chord, seconded by Mrs. Yaw to approve second reading of policy 6512 and procedure 6512P as written:

- 5.1 Second reading of policy [6512](#) and procedure [6512P](#) Infection Control Program

Motion Carried*
With a vote of 4 Yeas and 1 Nay
(Muffett)

***The motion was rescinded at the end of the board meeting as discussion was not provided for before the vote. Mr. Muffett clarified the reasoning for his vote was that he does not think that the wording providing staff exemptions for philosophical or religious reasons should be removed from the policy. The board agreed and this policy will be brought back to the March board meeting for final approval.**

Motion 20/21-43 made by Mr. Lindberg seconded by Mr. Muffett to approve first reading of policy 6230 as written:

5.2 First reading of Policy [6230](#) Relations with Vendors

Motion Carried
With a vote of 5 Yeas and 0 Nays

PART 6.0 – OTHER ITEMS NEEDING BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION

6.1 High School Reopening Dates **DISCUSSION**

6.2 Future Agenda Items **DISCUSSION**

Mr. Jones would like to know how in-person hybrid is working for students and families. High school data will be discussed at the next workshop.

The board will be given an overview of what Mr. Rosenkranz and Mr. Holmes are currently working on.

6.3 **Board Schedule**
Board Workshop, March 9
Board Meeting, March 23

PART 7.0 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

7.1 An executive session under RCW 42.30.140 to discuss the Superintendent Contract was held from 6:30 p.m. to 6:55 p.m.

PART 8.0 – ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

8.1 Signing of Board Documents

Board Secretary

Board Chair

Board Member

Board Member

Board Member

Board Member