

**MINUTES
WAHKIAKUM SCHOOL DISTRICT #200
CATHLAMET, WA 98612**

December 19, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: Tina Schubert called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. Other members in attendance were Michelle Budd, Tim Hanigan and Shawn Merz . Bob Garrett, superintendent; Theresa Libby, K-8 principal; and Stephanie Leitz, HS principal; were also in attendance.

ATTENDANCE: Sharon LaBerge, Lacey Woodside, Paul Johns, Lisa Frink, Julie Doumit, Erla Crouse, Linda Ashe, Kim Burns, Kassie Burdick, Roberta Reichert, Nancy McCoy, Pam Doumit, Debbie Melton, Tina Merz, Joey Swift, and Paul Ireland staff members; Jim and Paula Culbertson, community members; and Diana Zimmerman, with The Eagle, were also present.

SWEARING IN OF ELECTED SCHOOL BOARD MEMEBERS: Newly elected school board members, Michelle Budd and Shawn Merz, signed their oath of office and were thanked for their willingness to serve.

REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL BOARD: Tim Hanigan moved, seconded by Michelle Budd, to elect Tina Schubert as our Board Chair. The decision was unanimous. Tina Schubert moved, seconded by Michelle Budd, to elect Shawn Merz as our Vice-Chair. The decision was unanimous. Tina Schubert moved, seconded by Shawn Merz, to elect Tim Hanigan as our Legislative Representative. The decision was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Tim Hanigan moved, seconded by Michelle Budd, to approve the agenda as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND/OR SUGGESTIONS: None

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: Tim Hanigan moved, seconded by Michelle Budd, to approve the consent agenda items as presented: Approval of the Minutes from the November 20, 2013, Board Meeting; First Reading of Policies; Approval of 2013-2014 Supplemental Contract for Janine Oman to serve as a mentor to Corissa Blix in the amount of \$500.00; and the Acceptance of Retirement Notification from Nancy McCoy. The decision was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

HS GIRLS SOCCER PROGRAM: Mr. Garrett asked the Board members to be thinking about whether or not they were inclined to approve a new HS girls' soccer program for next year. As directed, Mr. Garrett sought input from current coaching staff regarding the possible new program; and at least at this time there are no coaches who believe that the "benefits" outweigh the "negatives."

NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION REGARDING PROS AND CONS OF HAVING EXTRA-CURRICULAR EVENTS ON DAYS SCHOOLS IS CLOSED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER: Mr. Garrett led a discussion on this topic. He said that the District has no firm policy regarding this matter, and up until now the administration has used its discretion when making such decisions. For the most part, if the transportation supervisor believes it is safe to put vehicles on the road, and both schools agree, extracurricular events could take place on days when school is closed due to inclement weather. The Board was satisfied with this arrangement for the time being, but did ask Mr. Garrett to inquire as to what other school districts in our league are doing regarding this topic.

DISCUSSION REGARDING MAKE-UP DAYS FOR 3 DAYS OF SCHOOL CLOSURE: Mr. Garrett informed the Board that we had to close school on December 6, 10 and 11 and that he had polled staff for their input as to when the days would be made up. The majority of those expressing input were in favor of adding school on March 6, 7 and 21. The Board was in consensus to do just that.

COST OF REPLACEMENT LOCKS AND KEYS: Mr. Garrett asked the Board to be giving some thought to whether or not they would like to put in place some sort of “accountability system” in the event a staff member loses or has his/her school keys stolen. Currently we have no such policy and replacement costs can be significant.

CONSIDERATION OF DATE CHANGE FOR FEBRUARY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING: In an effort to avoid a possible conflict with the district basketball tournament, the Board was in consensus to have its February school board meeting at 5:30pm on Monday, February 24.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

PRINCIPALS’ REPORTS: Stephanie Leitz and Theresa Libby each gave their respective report (see attached).

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT: Mr. Garrett reported on our December Enrollment; the Budget Status for each fund; the Energy Savings project for which he had no new information; the fact that our County Auditor has informed him that both the M&O Special Levy and the Redistricting of Director District boundaries issues will be on the February 11th ballot; the fact that school can be made up on Saturdays if desired, and late starts could exceed two hours if necessary; and that Lorenzo Mendez had cleared the volunteer background check.

PAYROLL AND VOUCHERS: Tim Hanigan moved, seconded by Michelle Budd, to approve the General Fund Accounts Payable, \$68,886.82 (checks 145511-145569); Payroll, \$287,975.23 (checks 145570-145634); ASB Fund Accounts Payable, \$10,832.07 (checks 145497-145509); and Trust Fund, \$500.00 (check 145510). The decision was unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board went into executive session to discuss negotiations at 6:19 pm. The Board returned to open session at 7:04 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

APPROVED:

BY:

BOARD PRESIDENT

BOARD SECRETARY