

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

January 23, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: Shawn Merz called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m. Other members in attendance were Dan Wilson, Paula Culbertson, Sue O'Connor and Robin Westphall. Bob Garrett, superintendent; Stephanie Leitz, HS principal; and Theresa Libby, K-8 principal; were also in attendance.

ATTENDANCE: Shelby Garrett and Kyle Hurley, staff members; Todd Wilson and Jason Will, community members; and Diana Zimmerman, with the Eagle, were also present.

CURRICULUM REPORT – KYLE HURLEY: Mr. Hurley reported to the Board the different classes he is teaching this year. He shared how he keeps up with CTE standards, new areas of study he would like to teach in the future, and the new opportunities that are being offered to students that will help further their education after high school.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD: Shawn Merz was nominated as Board Chair by Sue O'Connor, seconded by Paula Culbertson. Shawn accepted the nomination. The decision was unanimous. Sue O'Connor was nominated by Paula Culbertson to be Vice Chair, seconded by Robin Westphall. Sue accepted the nomination. The decision was unanimous. Robin Westphall volunteered as Legislative Representative and the Board unanimously concurred.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Paula Culbertson moved, seconded by Sue O'Connor, to approve the agenda as presented. The decision was unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT OR SUGGESTIONS: Todd Wilson discussed some concerns regarding the eighth graders being allowed to play high school sports and how it is affecting high school athletes. There was conversation amongst the Board Members and other attendees about whether allowing eighth graders to play is having a positive or negative affect on sports teams and individual athletes. The Board has decided to re-open this subject for discussion at the next meeting on February 21, so that more community members can attend; as well as high school coaches.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: Paula Culbertson moved, seconded by Sue O'Connor, to approve the consent agenda items as presented: minutes of the December 20, 2016, meeting (see attached); the second reading of policies (see attached); and resignation from middle school track coach, Heidi Heywood (see attached). The decision was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS

UPDATE ON SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION INSTRUMENT: Mr. Garrett shared the Superintendent Evaluation Instrument that he had shared with the Board a few months prior. After discussion, it was agreed to add two sentences to Item 4, Part A: "In addition, the superintendent will provide a concise list of annual facility maintenance needs with a proposed timetable to completion of each project. Periodic updates will be given to the Board as projects are completed." The Board was in consensus to approve the Superintendent Evaluation Instrument as revised (see attached.)

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF 2016-17 SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS: Paula Culbertson moved, seconded by Sue O'Connor, to approve the 2016-17 supplemental contracts (see attached). The motion passed 4-0-1, with Shawn Merz abstaining.

APPROVAL OF MINIMUM WAGE OF \$11.00 PER HOUR: The Board Members were in consensus to approve the minimum wage of \$11.00 per hour for any previously recognized 2016-2017 hourly rate that was lower than \$11.00 (gate keepers, concession stand supervisors, clock operators, etc.).

OTHER BUSINESS: NONE

PRINCIPALS REPORT: Stephanie Leitz and Theresa Libby talked about their January 23rd inservice days. Specialists from the ESD came and worked with the elementary staff on language development and learning to read and reading to learn. A representative from Fibre Federal Credit Union met with staff and helped them brainstorm ways to teach finances in their everyday curriculum. Theresa informed everyone that Mr. Hansen will be teaching a finance class this spring as an elective for middle school students. Stephanie Leitz explained that the state science test will now be taken in eleventh grade and how teachers plan to prepare students freshman through junior year for this test. They are going to implement integrated science classes that will give students a chance to take multiple science courses throughout their first three years of high school rather than taking only Physical Science freshman or Biology sophomore year.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT: Mr. Garrett reported on the following: K-12 Enrollment; the budget status for each fund; the plan to present a different curriculum each meeting to the board; the upcoming PDC filing due date; the timber sale; the audit; and he presented each school board member with a certificate and a card from our three administrators for board members' service in honor of School Board Appreciation Month.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL: The Board reviewed the vouchers as presented. Paula Culbertson moved, seconded by Paula Culbertson to approve the General Fund Accounts Payable \$113,292.33 (checks 150625-150674); Payroll \$324,646.76 (checks 150571-150624); the Comptax Accounts Payable \$354.97 (checks 150689-150690); and the ASB Fund Accounts Payable \$8,864.85 (checks 150675-150688). The decision was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Shawn Merz at 7:04pm.

APPROVED:

BY:

BOARD PRESIDENT

BOARD SECRETARY