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**Subject: APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 23, 2009  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ARLINGTON SCHOOL  
DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Action

**Page(s):** Five (5), including cover

**Submitted by:** Dr. E. Kristine McDuffy, Superintendent

**Date:** March 9, 2009

**Background Information:**

The Arlington Public Schools Board of Directors held a regular public meeting on Monday, February 23, 2009 in the Administrative Building Board Room at 315 N French Ave: Arlington, WA 98223.

**Administrative Consideration:**

The minutes of the February 23, 2009 regular meeting are being submitted for approval at this time.

**Superintendent's Recommendation:**

That the Board approves the February 23, 2009 meeting minutes.

**Arlington Public Schools**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
Monday, February 23, 2009

**STUDY SESSION**

Vice President Jeff Huleatt called the Study Session to order at 5:45 pm in the Administration Building Board Room. Also present were Directors Jim Weiss and Carolyn Erickson, and Student Advisor Andy Smith. Director McClure arrived at 6:00 pm. President Kay Duskin and Student Advisor Nikita Doggett were absent and excused.

**New Courses**

Diane Kirchner-Scott, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, introduced Maurene Stanton, Weston High School Principal, and Teri Bravomejia, Weston teacher, who shared information about two proposed new courses at Weston High School: Interior Design and Child Psychology. Brett Sarver, CTE Director then shared about a third course, Intro to Business, to be offered at Arlington High School. Director Weiss requested that the "parent must be informed and given an opportunity to opt out" box be checked on the approval cover sheet for the Child Psychology class. These courses will be presented for Board approval at the next Board meeting.

**Curriculum Update**

Diane Kirchner-Scott, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, provided information about a citizen complaint the District received regarding the middle school social studies book, *History Alive! The Medieval World and Beyond*. An Ad Hoc committee reviewed the complaint and reported to the Curriculum Coordinating Committee, which in turn presented a report and recommendations to the Superintendent. Superintendent McDuffy concurred with those recommendations, which were outlined for the Board. The Board acknowledged the tremendous amount of work involved in researching and processing this complaint, and commended all of those who participated.

**Policy Review**

Shirley Case, Executive Director of Personnel, and Dr. Warren Hopkins, Deputy Superintendent, outlined policy amendments being recommended by the Washington State School Directors' Association (WSSDA) as part of the full policy review. Board members' questions were answered, and this set of policies will be presented for first reading at the next meeting, with the adjustments requested by the Board.

The Study Session was adjourned at 6:59 pm.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

Vice President Jeff Huleatt called the regularly scheduled Business Meeting of the Board of Directors of Arlington School District No. 16 to order at 7:00 pm in the Administration Building Board Room. Also present were Directors Jim Weiss, Bob McClure, and Carolyn Erickson, and Student Advisors Nikita Doggett and Andy Smith. President Kay Duskin was absent and excused.

The flag salute was given.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Director Erickson moved to approve the agenda as presented. Director McClure seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

**STUDENT PRESENTATIONS****Kent Prairie Elementary – RESPECT Team**

Two students from the Kent Prairie RESPECT Team shared an outline of the things their team has been doing to promote respect in their school. They also shared a short movie with pictures from some of the recent events. Kathy Engell, Kent Prairie Elementary Principal, recognized Coleen Jablonski, Tani Landry, and Wendy Williams, for their leadership with the RESPECT team.

**Post Middle School – Essay Winners**

Brian Beckley, Post Middle School Principal, and Voni Walker, Assistant Principal, introduced teachers, Denise Jackson and Cody Decker and four students, who read excerpts from their winning essays.

**PRESENTATIONS****Employee Recognition**

Shirley Case, Executive Director of Personnel, recognized five staff members for exemplary service:

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| • Stephen Bassford | Support Services        | Custodian              |
| • Laurie Breon     | Kent Prairie Elementary | Music Teacher          |
| • Tyler Payne      | Arlington High School   | DECA/Marketing Teacher |
| • Kimala Stewart   | Pioneer Elementary      | Resource Room Teacher  |
| • Jeff Swanson     | Haller Middle School    | Music Teacher          |

**Perfect Attendance Recognition**

Shirley Case, Executive Director of Personnel, read the list of thirty-five (35) staff members who had perfect attendance for the 2007-2008 school year.

**COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE**

There were no comments from audience members.

**DISCUSSION****School Board Members**

**Director Erickson** enjoyed the recent Board Retreat. She attended the Legislative conference in Olympia with Dr. McDuffy and found it very interesting. She has also attended several of the District staff meetings where Dr. McDuffy has been presenting a budget update.

**Director McClure** served as a Senior Projects panelist for the “Early Birds”. He was very impressed with the presentations.

**Director Huleatt** has attended a number of sporting events, including the Mat Classic in Tacoma. Two of our wrestlers finished second in state.

**Director Weiss** felt the Retreat was very beneficial. He also served as a panelist for Senior projects and found it very interesting. He was given a preview of the FIRST Robotics team robot before it was shipped off for competition. He noted that Dr. McDuffy did a nice job presenting a budget overview to the Kiwanis members last week.

**Student Advisor Doggett** is pleased and relieved that she passed her Senior project – Yoga.

**Student Advisor Smith** recently finished basketball season and is thinking of trying out for track. He passed his scholarly paper.

**Superintendent McDuffy** introduced Karl Olson, Pioneer Elementary Principal, who shared information about the beautiful art on display in the Board room. As part of their Art Docent program, each student will develop a portfolio, containing a piece of art from each grade.

Dr. McDuffy shared a few remarks about the recent Consolidated Program Review (CPR) conducted by OSPI to assure that the District is in compliance with State and Federal

requirements. Diane Kirchner-Scott, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, showed the manual that was put together by the Teaching and Learning Department. We did very well in the review. We had four minor issues, but were very pleased with the outcome. We won't have another CPR for five years.

Dr. McDuffy handed out the "What to Expect at a Board Meeting" brochure. They are now on hand for audience members at Board meetings and will soon be available on the website as well.

### IDENTIFICATION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

From the agenda, the Board identified the following items for discussion and action:

3. Donation from Boeing Employees' Credit Union to Kent Prairie - Library
4. Donation from Arlington Fire Department to Weston – Weight Equipment
10. Policy Revisions – First Reading (11 Policies)
  - Policy 3224 – Students – Student Dress - Amended
  - Policy 3245 – Students – Students and Telecommunication Devices – New
  - Policy 3410 – Students – Student Health - Amended
  - Policy 3411 – Students – Vision and Hearing Screening – Deleted
  - Policy 3412 – Students – Scoliosis – Deleted
  - Policy 3413 – Students – Student Immunization and Life Threat. Cond. – Amended
  - Policy 3415 – Students – Eye Protection - Deleted
  - Policy 3415 – Students – Accommodating Students with Diabetes – New
  - Policy 3417 – Students – Catheterization – Amended
  - Policy 3419 – Students – Self-Admin. Of Asthma and Anaphylaxis Medications - New
  - Policy 3431 – Students – Emergency Treatment – Amended and Renumbered to 3418

The remaining items, comprising the consent agenda, were:

1. Meeting Minutes – January 26, 2009
2. Retreat Minutes – January 30, 2009
5. Grant Application – City of Arlington Tourism/Economic Development – AHS Video Production
6. Overnight Field Trip Request – FIRST Robotics to Competition, Seattle, WA – March 26-28, 2009
7. Overnight Field Trip Request – AHS Horticulture to Ephrata, WA – February 27-28, 2009
8. Overnight Field Trip Request – DECA to State Competition, Bellevue, WA – March 5-7, 2009
9. Out-of-State Travel Request – DECA to Intl Competition, Anaheim, CA – April 28-May 3, 2009
11. Policy Revisions – Second Reading and Adoption (4 Policies)
  - Policy 3115 – Students – Homeless Students - Amended
  - Policy 3130 – Students – District Attendance Areas – Amended
  - Policy 3142 – Students – International Exchange Students – Amended
  - Policy 3610 – Students – Child Custody – Amended and Renumbered to 3126
12. Board/Superintendent Working Agreement
13. Contracts and Personal Service Agreements
14. Personnel Report
15. Payroll Report
16. Budget Report
17. Vouchers and Warrants
18. Adjusted Warrants

Director Erickson moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. Director Weiss seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

### BOARD ACTION

#### Donation from Boeing Employees' Credit Union to Kent Prairie - Library

Kathy Engell, Kent Prairie Principal, shared details of the donation from Boeing Employees Credit Union to the Kent Prairie Library. Director Erickson moved to approve the generous

donation \$1000.00. Director McClure seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Donation from Arlington Fire Department to Weston - Weight Equipment**

Maurene Stanton, Weston Principal, provided information about the donation of weight equipment from the Arlington Fire Department. Director Erickson moved to approve the generous donation. Director Weiss seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Policy Revisions – First Reading**

Director McClure suggested adding the word “student” to the end of the second paragraph of Policy #3431. The Board agreed and the change will be made prior to being submitted for second reading and adoption. There were no other changes to the policies being presented for first reading. Director McClure moved to approve this set of eleven policies for first reading, with the noted amendment to Policy #3431. Director Erickson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next regular business meeting of the Arlington School District Board of Directors is scheduled for Monday, March 9, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the District Administration Building Board Room at 315 N French Avenue, Arlington.

**ADJOURN**

With no further business to come before the Board, Director Erickson moved and Director Weiss seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm.

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Dr. Jeff Huleatt, Vice President  
Board of Directors

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Dr. E. Kristine McDuffy, Superintendent  
Secretary to the Board