

Arlington Public Schools
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 22, 2008

STUDY SESSION

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

Facilities Use

Superintendent Kristine McDuffy provided information about the District's facilities use agreements and recent use. She then shared a current request from the Boys and Girls Club to be allowed to place a portable behind the house on the old high school property, at no cost to the District, to be used by Highland Christian School as a weight room. This would be a year-to-year agreement, and subject to permitting, etc. The Board members had no concerns with this request.

Policy Review

The Board reviewed and discussed WSSDA's suggested amendments to 16 policies. Dr. McDuffy drew their attention to the note indicating that WSSDA strongly recommended leaving the specific values in Policy 5259. The Board was comfortable with the provided explanation and agreed to go with WSSDA's suggestions. The Board requested minor adjustments to Policies 5221, 5330 and 5211. The requested changes will be made and these policies will be presented for first reading at the next Board meeting. The Board had no concerns about WSSDA's recommended amendments to the remaining policies in this group. These will also be presented for first reading at the next Board meeting.

The session was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

BUSINESS MEETING

President Kay Duskin 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 Jeff Huleatt and Jim Weiss and Student Advisor Nikita Doggett. Directors Carolyn Erickson and Bob McClure and Student Advisor Andy Smith were absent and excused.

The flag salute was given.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

President Duskin noted that the Executive Session is cancelled, and that a revised Personnel Report has been provided. Director Huleatt moved to approve the agenda as amended. Director Weiss seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

STUDENT PRESENTATION

Denise Putnam, Eagle Creek Principal, introduced PE teacher, Lisa Boyle, and several students who presented information about the benefits of jump roping and shared a demonstration.

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE

There were no comments from audience members.

DISCUSSION

School Board Members

Director Huleatt enjoyed a driving vacation to Yellowstone National Park.

Director Weiss spent a week on vacation and took a new position at Boeing.

President Duskin attended a soccer game, a volleyball game, and a football game this week, and was very impressed to see players from one team attending the events of other teams. She attended a United Way breakfast and a charity event to benefit Cocoon House. She is working with Denise Putnam on a Leadership Snohomish County project.

Student Advisor Doggett is looking forward to “pepination” and homecoming this week.

Superintendent McDuffy pointed out the poster of our bookmark highlighting the District’s four primary focus areas. She noted that these posters will be placed in the school buildings, as will the District’s mission statement. She has visited nearly every classroom in the District in the last few days and is very impressed with the teaching and learning going on! Enrollment numbers are up slightly from our budgeted enrollment. October 1st will be our next official count day and will include Stillaguamish Valley School’s enrollment numbers.

IDENTIFICATION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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

2. Donation from Presidents PTA - PAWS Program and New Laminator
7. Contract with Lakewood School District for School-Based Substance Abuse Intervention Services

The remaining items, comprising the consent agenda, were:

1. Meeting Minutes - September 8, 2008
3. Grant Application - Funds for Highly Capable Students
4. Grant Application - Title III – Language Instruction for Limited English Proficient Students
5. Grant Application - State Transitional Bilingual Education
6. Overnight Trip - AHS ASB Leaders to Richland, WA, October 10-12, 2008
8. Policy Revisions ~ Second Reading and Adoption (22)
 - Policy 5328 ~ Personnel ~ Leave Sharing ~ Amended & Renumbered to 5406
 - Policy 5333 ~ Personnel ~ Holidays ~ Amended & Renumbered to 5410
 - Policy 1260 ~ Board of Directors ~ Consultants ~ Deleted/Combined Into Policy 5050 (new #)
 - Policy 5141 ~ Personnel ~ Certificated Staff Contracts ~ Deleted/Combined Into Policy 5050 (new #)
 - Policy 5142 ~ Personnel ~ Provisional Employment Contracts ~ Deleted/Combined Into Policy 5050 (new #)
 - Policy 5143 ~ Personnel ~ Persons Replacing Certificated Staff on Leave ~ Deleted/Combined Into Policy 5050 (new #)
 - Policy 5144 ~ Personnel ~ Adjustments to Certificated Staff Contracts ~ Deleted/Combined Into Policy 5050 (new #)
 - Policy 5145 ~ Personnel ~ Supplemental Employment Agreements ~ Deleted/Combined Into Policy 5050 (new #)
 - Policy 5251 ~ Personnel ~ Release From Contract ~ Deleted/Combined Into Policy 5280 (new #)
 - Policy 5252 ~ Personnel ~ Resignation ~ Deleted/Combined Into Policy 5280 (new #)
 - Policy 5253 ~ Personnel ~ Retirement ~ Deleted/Combined Into Policy 5280 (new #)
 - Policy 5254 ~ Personnel ~ Probation, Non-Renewal or Termination ~ Deleted/Combined Into Policy 5280 (new #)
 - Policy 5256 ~ Personnel ~ Program and Certificated Staff Reductions ~ Deleted/Combined Into Policy 5280 (new #)
 - Policy 5612 ~ Personnel ~ Temporary Administrators ~ New Policy
 - Policy 5000 ~ Personnel ~ Goals ~ Deleted
 - Policy 5130 ~ Personnel ~ Staff Immunizations and Infectious Disease ~ Deleted
 - Policy 5210 ~ Personnel ~ Assignment, Reassignment and Transfer ~ Deleted
 - Policy 5335 ~ Personnel ~ Wellness ~ Deleted
 - Policy 5342 ~ Personnel ~ Staff Recognition ~ Deleted
 - Policy 5420 ~ Personnel ~ Para Educators ~ Deleted
 - Policy 6410 ~ Management Support ~ Evaluation of Administrative Staff ~ Deleted
 - Policy 6430 ~ Management Support ~ Professional/Civic/Service Organization Membership ~ Deleted
9. Personnel Report
10. Vouchers/Warrants
 - September 15, 2008 Checks #43730-43732 in the total amount of \$104,570.57
 - September 17, 2008 Checks #43733-43873 in the total amount of \$403,662.33
11. Adjusted Warrants
 - September 4, 2008 General-AP Warrant #43640 in the amount of \$450.93
Duplicate Warrant – Corrected Vendor Name

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

BOARD ACTION

Donation from Presidents PTA

Denise Putnam, on behalf of Terri Bookey, Presidents Elementary Principal, shared information about the donation from Presidents PTA. Director Huleatt moved to approve this generous donation. Director Weiss seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

Contract with Lakewood School District

Maurene Stanton, Principal of Weston High School, shared information and answered questions about the contract with Lakewood School District for drug and alcohol prevention/intervention services. Director Weiss moved to approve the contract with Lakewood School District for school-based substance abuse intervention services. Director Huleatt seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

NEXT MEETINGS

The Arlington School District Board of Directors will meet jointly with the Arlington City Council and Cascade Valley Hospital Board on Monday, September 29, 2008 at 6:30 pm in the Linda M. Byrnes Performing Arts Center to discuss matters of mutual interest.

The Arlington School District Board of Directors tentatively has a retreat scheduled for Friday, October 3, 2008, however, due to a conflict for one of its members, it may be rescheduled.

The next regular business meeting of the Arlington School District Board of Directors is scheduled for Monday, October 13, 2008 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 Huleatt moved and Director Weiss seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Kay Duskin, President
Board of Directors

E. Kristine McDuffy, Superintendent
Secretary to the Board