

Arlington Public Schools
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 26, 2009

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, Jim Weiss, Bob McClure and Carolyn Erickson, and Student Advisor Andy Smith. Student Advisor Nikita Doggett was absent and excused.

Course Approval ~ AHS AP Statistics

Diane Kirchner-Scott, Executive Director of Teaching & Learning, introduced Kurt Criscione, AHS Principal, and Mike Gudgeon, Math Teacher, who outlined a new AP Statistics course being proposed for Arlington High School. Mr. Criscione and Mr. Gudgeon answered questions from the Board members. The high school would like to begin offering AP Statistics in the fall. This course will be on the June 8 agenda for Board approval.

Secretary's Annual Report

Deb Borgens, Executive Director of Financial Services, provided the Board with copies of the 2007-2008 Secretary's Annual Report and highlighted some of the contents. The report will be made available on the website this year. She noted that the annual audit is complete and we had no findings.

Budget Update

Superintendent Kristine McDuffy reported on the question and answer sessions that she recently hosted. She also noted some additions and changes coming to the budget website. The District is currently working on classified staffing and program decisions and will be bringing the classified staffing recommendations to the Board for approval on June 8. Athletic and activities are also in the discussion phase. Student ASB officers participated in budget conversations about AHS activities.

Policy Review

Dr. McDuffy outlined proposed updates to Policy 3141 *Non-Resident Students*. Shirley Case, Executive Director of Personnel, shared recommended new Policy 3420 and Procedure 3420P *Anaphylaxis Prevention*. Board members' questions were answered, and these policies will be presented for first reading at the next meeting, with the adjustments requested by the Board.

The Study Session was adjourned at 6:43 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, Jim Weiss, Bob McClure and Carolyn Erickson, and Student Advisors Nikita Doggett and Andy Smith. No Directors were absent.

The flag salute was given.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Items #4 and #6 are stricken, as the teams did not qualify for State competitions. Director Weiss moved to approve the agenda as amended. Director Huleatt seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

STUDENT PRESENTATIONS

Weston High School – Panther Period Activities

Maurene Stanton, WHS Principal, introduced two students who shared information about WHS Panther Period activities throughout the year. They showed slides of some of the activities and answered questions from the Board members.

RESPECT Team Report

Alvin Moore, RESPECT Program Advisor, introduced two students, who shared a movie made by RESPECT team members, depicting a 'bad' eagle going through the RESPECT events of the year and becoming a 'good' eagle.

PRESENTATION

Stewardship

Misti Gilman, Public Information Coordinator, shared an update of stewardship activities, including PUD lighting projects in school gyms, the food recycling program at Presidents Elementary, and the District-wide lights out campaign. She also noted that there are a number of other great efforts going on throughout the District.

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE

There were no comments from audience members.

DISCUSSION

School Board Members

Director McClure enjoyed Senior Awards Night.

Director Erickson attended Senior Awards night and the audit exit conference. Additionally, she drove cars for a recent fundraiser.

Director Huleatt attended Senior Awards Night and the AHS Baseball Banquet.

Director Weiss recently finished his online classes for a bachelor's degree. He is looking forward to graduation.

President Duskin shared that Claire Logan will be our new Junior Student Advisor to the Board. She noted that all of the candidates were great this year and that it was a tough choice. She attended one of the Q&A sessions that Dr. McDuffy hosted. She felt the sessions were very appreciated by the attendees. She also attended Senior Awards night and the audit exit conference.

Student Advisor Doggett enjoyed a weekend of camping.

Student Advisor Smith has recently attended a couple ASB retreats. He took part in a National Honor Society project to benefit NOAH Animal Shelter. He participated in the selection process for the new Student Advisor to the Board.

Superintendent McDuffy had no additional comments.

IDENTIFICATION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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

2. Donation from Kent Prairie PTA - Playground Equipment

The remaining items, comprising the consent agenda, were:

1. Meeting Minutes – May 11, 2009
3. Overnight Field Trip, AHS DECA to Randle, WA, June 28-July 1, 2009
5. Overnight Field Trip, AHS Boys Golf to Kennewick, WA, May 26-28, 2009
7. Out-of-State Travel, Deputy Superintendent to Chicago, IL, June 16-19, 2009
8. Out-of-State Travel, AHS Spanish Teacher to San Mateo, CA, February 6-7, 2009
9. Policy Revisions – Second Reading & Adoption (4 Policies)
 - Policy 3140 – Students – Release of Resident Students - Amended

- Policy 3143 – Students – District Notification of Juvenile Offenders – New
- Policy 3144 – Students – Release of Information Concerning Student Sex Offenders - New
- Policy 3225 – Students – Gang Activity or Association - Deleted

10. AHS Yearbook Bid

11. Contracts and Personal Service Agreements

12. Personnel Report

13. Budget Report

14. Vouchers and Warrants

- Check numbers 46262 through 46262 in the total amount of \$913.59
- Check numbers 46263 through 46381 in the total amount of \$264,077.60

(Items #4 and #6 were stricken during approval of the agenda.)

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 Kent Prairie PTA to Kent Prairie Elementary for Playground Equipment

Kathy Engell, Kent Prairie Elementary Principal, shared information about this donation. Director Erickson moved to accept the generous donation of \$20,000 for new playground equipment for Kent Prairie Elementary School. Director McClure 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, June 8, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the District Administration Building Board Room, 315 N French Avenue, Arlington.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Kay Duskin recessed the regular Business Meeting at 7:48 pm, stating that, following a short break, the Board would be convening in an Executive Session for the purpose of the evaluating the performance of employees. She stated that the estimated time for the Executive Session would be 45 minutes and that no action would be taken. She further stated that, following the Executive Session, the regular meeting would be reconvened for the sole purpose of adjournment. The Executive Session convened at 7:59 pm. At 8:46 pm, President Duskin announced that the Executive Session was expected to last approximately 10 minutes longer. The Executive Session was adjourned at 9:03 pm.

ADJOURN

President Duskin reconvened the regular Business Meeting at 9:04 pm. With no further business to come before the Board, Director McClure moved and Director Erickson seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm.

Kay Duskin, President
Board of Directors

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