

**College Place Public Schools
Regular School Board Meeting
7:00 PM, Meadow Brook School Library
Thursday, January 18 2007**



MINUTES for Thursday, January 18, 2007

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT – Paul Hartwig, Ginger Ketting-Weller, Julie Hill, and Bob Giger

ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS – John Davin

OTHERS PRESENT – Superintendent Tim Payne, Business Manager Shanda Zessin, Alison Swanson as Recorder, Principal Chris Drabek, Principal Jeff Peterson, Special Programs Coordinator Carol Garbe, and several audience members

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Hartwig called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

- **CONSENT AGENDA** –Mr. Hartwig requested that the Consent Agenda be approved; Mr. Giger motioned to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Mrs. Hill; and the motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda Included:

- APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
- APPROVAL OF 12/21/07 MINUTES
- APPROVAL OF THE BILLS & PAYROLL AS FOLLOWS – General Fund, Voucher No. 380 through No. 464 in the amount of \$82,262.37; Associated Student Body Fund, Voucher No. 15 through No. 17 in the amount of \$198.33; Blue Mountain Insurance Group, Voucher No. 5 through No. 9 in the amount of \$228.24; and preliminary payroll in the amount of \$501,864.76
- **Personnel:**
None

INTRODUCTIONS &/or INFORMATION

- **Next Regular Meeting** – Chairman Hartwig announced that the next regular meeting of the Board will be Thursday, February 15, 2007 @ 7:00 PM in the Meadow Brook School Library.
- **ESD #123 Annual Board Workshop** – Superintendent Payne stated the Professional Development Workshop will be held on Thursday, March 8, 2007 at 6:00 PM in Pasco
- **School Board Recognition Month** - Superintendent Payne presented framed certificates from WASSA to each School Board Member, expressing appreciation for their time commitment and dedication to improving the lives / education of children in our community. Mr. Payne opened the floor for comment and Mr. Ted Knauft and Mr. Jeff Peterson commented conveying their gratitude for the CPPS Board of Directors.

REPORTS

- **Edison Tour** – Chairman Hartwig reported that the Edison Elementary School Visitation / Tour with the Walla Walla School Board of Directors on Thursday, January 11, 2007 at 7:00 PM was very informative and interesting. The general consensus was one of supporting Walla Walla Public Schools on their February 2007 Bond.

- **Davis Elementary School Principal's Report** – Principal Chris Drabek invited the Board to the Davis Carnival, scheduled for Saturday, January 20, 2007 from 5:30 – 8:00 PM in the gym. Mr. Drabek introduced Davis School Counselor Blake Limburg and their Counseling Program.

Mr. Limburg provided the Board with an overall view / vision of his position, the services he provides students, including, but not limited to: Kelso the Frog Program (nine ways/steps on how to get along better); Dare Lessons with Officer Al Schneidmiller to education kids on drugs and alcohol; Red Ribbon Week; Individual Student Psychotherapy; Divorce Support Groups; Friendship Skills Group; Gold Slips – 1 from each classroom to be announced at Dragon Drills with prizes awarded; Classroom assistance w/ emotional issues; Attendance Issues – Home Visits; Behavior / Emotional Programs; Chairman to Parents Events TEAM (i.e. Goodies w/ Grandparents); TESAP –Reading, Math –Staff Teams to discuss students needs (sped, tutors, spec. programs); MAP Testing.

Chairman Hartwig asked Mr. Limburg to explain the home visits he provided – Mr. Limburg explained that he does 2-3 a week and once or twice a month contact Child Protective Services for student experiencing, sexual / physical abuse and neglect. Mr. Hartwig concluded stating, “Learning will come along if you focus on the child.”

- **Principal Selection Update** – Business Manger Shanda Zessin gave an update and interviews will be scheduled January 24 – 26, 2007.
- **PTA** – Parent Karen Griggs reported that PTA is sponsoring the Davis Carnival scheduled for Saturday, January 20, 2007 at 5:30 PM and Author Jasper Tompkins’s visit to Davis and Meadow Brook Schools scheduled for January 30 – 31, 2007.
- **Financial** – Superintendent Payne presented a fiscal power point presentation to the School Board reporting on the 2006-07 Budget Overview; Monthly Ending Fund Balance; Actual Enrollment Averages; Updated Estimate of Revenues for Enrollment & Staff Mix; Accounts Payable & Payroll; Operations Advisory Team; and finally the School Board’s Desires.

Mr. Payne stated that the Ending Fund Balance (EFB) for last year was approximately 7% and he would like it to eventually be around the 10% mark. At the next meeting, the Board will hear the second portion of the Financial Report which will focus on State Staff Funding levels compared to our current level of staffing.

COMMENTS &/or SUGGESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

- Mrs. Terri Klundt encouraged people to write our Legislature to voice our educational concerns and needs.

Mr. Ted Knuft commented on the Ending Fund Balance, expressing his appreciation on moving into zero-based budgeting, but stated we needed to be realistic about not being able to control student count.

Mrs. Kelly Cowden asked about the Principal Selection Team and the criteria for choosing candidates – Mrs. Zessin stated the Selection Team will be using many techniques, including Rubic Scoring System and invited all to attend the Community Forums scheduled January 24 – 26, 2007 from 3:30 – 4:30 PM at the Meadow Brook School Library. Chairman Hartwig stated that the Superintendent will be the one who makes the final recommendation to the Board.

ACTION ITEMS

- **1. Second Reading of Board Policy #1400** – Chairman Hartwig reviewed the Policy and the revision of changing the wording to state Board Meeting will be held on the 3rd Thursday of every month and requested that revision to the Policy be approved; Mrs. Hill motion, which was seconded by Mr. Giger, and the motion passed unanimously.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

- No suggestions were made.

ADJOURNMENT

~~DR. KETTING WELER MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN; MRS. HILL SECONDED THE MOTION; PASSING UNANIMOUSLY, CHAIRMAN PAUL HARTWIG ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 8:01PM.~~

The Board of Directors convened to Executive Session for Superintendent’s Evaluation - RCW 42.30.11 (1) (b) – at 8:07 PM.

The Board of Directors reconvened to Open Session at 8:43 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

CHAIRMAN HARTWIG ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 8:44 PM.

Secretary to the Board

Chairman of the Board