

Board Chair Jennifer James-Wilson called the virtual meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. PRESENT BY ZOOM: Jennifer James-Wilson, Nathanael O'Hara, Doug Ross, Jeff Taylor and Connie Welch. Also present were Superintendent Gessner-Crabtree, staff, and community members.

Board Thought

Director Welch presented thoughts related to an Alan Watts quote comparing change to a dance. She offered the idea that this time of change in education may require creating a new dance.

Agenda

Director Ross moved to approve the agenda as presented. Director Welch seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Recognition – None

Public Comments – None

Board Correspondence – None

Reports

Summer Programs

Director of Special Services Shelby MacMeekin presented the Learning Assistance and Extended School Year Programs Summer Report. Port Townsend High School Dean of Students Patrick Gaffney presented the high school Credit Recovery Report. Discussion followed.

Superintendent Search Update

Chair James-Wilson reported that two potential search consultants have submitted proposals to both Chimacum and Port Townsend School Boards. Consultant interviews and selection are tentatively scheduled for September 15.

Superintendent

Superintendent Gessner-Crabtree reported on the following:

- School Reopening Plans Update
 - eLearning website is active
 - Sample playlist
 - Certificated staff in-service August 31 and September 1
 - Dr. Locke addressed staff September 1
 - PTHS Freshman meeting September 1 and Grades 10-12 meeting September 2
 - Paraeducator training September 2
 - Building back to school teacher meetings today
 - Learning model preferences and preliminary enrollment 2020-21 including choice transfer and homeschool data
- ALE study update
 - First meeting with consultants, staff, and parents September 2
 - suggested list of people to interview

- Board will provide names of additional people to interview

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Old Business

Approve Memorandum of Agreement 2020-2021 Regarding Special Education with Port Townsend Education Association

Superintendent Gessner-Crabtree explained that the MOA allows for the creation of a joint labor-management committee to study the workloads of special education staff in the 2020-21 school year. Director Welch moved to approve the Memorandum of Agreement 2020-2021 Regarding Special Education with Port Townsend Education Association as presented. Director O'Hara seconded and the motion carried 4-0. Director Taylor recused himself due to conflict of interest.

Annual Goals for Superintendent

Superintendent Gessner-Crabtree presented a superintendent evaluation process memo, draft superintendent goals for 2020-21 and the superintendent performance evaluation form. The Board selected three goals as the focus of the superintendent evaluation during the 2020-21 school year.

New Business

Policy and Procedure 3205 and 3205/P Sexual Harassment of Students Prohibited – First Review

Superintendent Gessner-Crabtree and District Title IX Coordinator Laurie McGinnis presented the policy and procedure WSSDA-recommended edits, which align with state and federal requirements. Chair James-Wilson recommended adding "In addition" to the beginning of the second sentence of paragraph three under Staff Responsibilities. The policy will be presented for adoption at the September 17 Regular Business Meeting.

Policy 6112 Rental or Lease of District Real Property – First Review

Executive Director of Finance and Business Operations Amy Khile presented the policy updates recommended by WSSDA. Chair James-Wilson requested changing "leaser" to "lessee" in sentence four of paragraph two. The policy will be presented for adoption at the September 17 Regular Business Meeting.

Approve Minimum Basic Education Compliance for the 2020-21 School Year

Amy Khile and Port Townsend High School Principal Carrie Ehrhardt presented the Minimum Basic Education Compliance application. Director Welch moved to approve the Minimum Basic Education Compliance for the 2020-21 School Year as presented. Director Ross seconded and the motion carried 5-0. The application will be submitted to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Public Comments – None

Board Discussion and Comments

Director Ross requested equity and systemic racism as a future meeting topic. Director Taylor asked that demographic and socioeconomic data and placement information for advanced students be included in the report. Chair James-Wilson feels this is a good time to pursue completion of an MOU with the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe and to also contact the Makah Tribe. Director Taylor asked if the fees

proposed by potential superintendent search consultants are reasonable. Director Welch said the year-start conferences at Salish Coast Elementary are a good idea and commended Sarah Rubenstein on the completion of the District's eLearning webpage. Chair James-Wilson expressed her hope that students, parents, staff, administrators, and community will move through the challenges of the upcoming school year together.

Future Meeting Topics and Agenda Planning

September 15, 2020 Special Joint Meeting with Chimacum School District Board of Directors, Virtual Meeting via Zoom, 6:00 p.m.

The Boards will conduct superintendent search consultant interviews if potential consultants confirm availability. The Jefferson County Educational Partnership (JCEP) meeting scheduled for September 15 will be rescheduled if needed. Directors Taylor and Ross expressed interest in attending the JCEP meeting.

September 17, 2020 Regular Business Meeting, Virtual Meeting via Zoom, 5:30 p.m.

Reports include First Day of School, September Enrollment/Class Sizes, OlyCAP Affordable Housing Project, District Arts, MDS Annual Report, Community Partners and Outreach, and Program of Interscholastic Activities. At the Board's request, a district student equity report will also be presented. Superintendent Gessner-Crabtree will provide a summary of the Board's work during the August 27 Board Retreat.

October 1, 2020 Work/Study Meeting, Virtual Meeting via Zoom, 5:30 p.m.

Port Townsend High School Annual Report and School Improvement Plan and the District Assessment Results report will be presented.

Executive Session

Chair James-Wilson recessed the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. for an executive session to discuss collective bargaining agreements. The executive session is expected to last 20 minutes. The regular meeting reconvened at 7:52 p.m. Director Taylor left the meeting at the conclusion of the executive session.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Gessner-Crabtree
Secretary

ATTEST: _____
Jennifer James-Wilson
Board Chair