

Board Chair Holley Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Holley Carlson, Pam Daly, Nathanael O'Hara, and Jennifer James-Wilson. Excused: Keith White Also present were Superintendent Engle, staff, and community members.

Jennifer James-Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Approval

Pam Daly moved to approve the agenda. Jennifer James-Wilson seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Public Comments

Bruce Cowan spoke in support of music and art education in the District, and requested information on the upcoming levy.

Reports

ReCyclery – Kees Kolff

Mr. Kolff showed some pictures of the bikes and the trailer purchased with the grant received last year through Oregon State University and administered by the local WSU (Washington State University) extension. This year the District is asked to partner with the ReCyclery, Jefferson County Public Health, the Non-motorized Transportation Advisory Board of Port Townsend, and the WSU Extension to construct a covered bicycle shelter over the existing bike racks at Blue Heron School. The Board directed Dr. Engle to submit a letter of support to meet the grant deadline; the Board will have a resolution to approve at the November 24, 2014 regular meeting.

Superintendent

Dr. Engle showed a video clip from the KCTS program "In Close" regarding the mascot change at Port Townsend High School.

The school board's annual planning calendar for 2014-15 was discussed and revised.

Board Chair Carlson called a recess at 8:05. The meeting was reconvened at 8:12 p.m.

Curriculum Review

Superintendent Engle presented the books Longitude, by Dava Sobel, and The Boys in the Boat, by Daniel James Brown for review. The Instructional Materials Committee has evaluated these books and recommends they be included in the English 11 and 12 curriculum. The books are available for public review at the District Office, and will be on the November 24, 2014 meeting agenda for board approval.

Levy Discussion

Business Manager Sara Bonneville presented information about the replace M & O (Maintenance and Operations) levy the District plans for voter approval next year. A total levy amount of \$14,645, collected from 2016-2019 to be put on the February 10, 2015 ballot was proposed. A copy of Ms. Bonneville's presentation is attached to these minutes. Discussion followed.

New Business

WSSDA (Washington State School Directors' Association) Conference

Port Townsend School District will be making a presentation about the Maritime Discovery Schools initiative on Friday of this conference, which runs from Wednesday, November 19 to Saturday, November 22, 2014 in Spokane, Washington.

Schedule Board Retreat: This item was tabled until Keith White returns on November 24, 2014.

Executive Session

Board Chair Carlson adjourned the work/study meeting at 9:02 p.m. to an executive session for approximately five minutes to discuss a personnel issue. The executive session was adjourned at 9:10 p.m. and the work/study meeting was reconvened at 9:10 p.m.

Next Meeting: November 24, 2014, Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m., 1610 Blaine Street, Room S-11.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Engle, Secretary

ATTEST: _____
Holley Carlson, Board Chair