

Board Chair Holley Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Holley Carlson, Keith White, Pam Daly, Nathanael O'Hara, Jennifer James-Wilson. Also attending were Superintendent Engle, staff, and community members.

Nathanael O'Hara led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Pam Daly moved to approve the agenda. Keith White seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Public Comments

- Piper Dunlap spoke regarding possible wi-fi radiation in schools.
- Mia Frederickson said she is grateful that Blue Heron administration was able to keep both technology and music offerings in place for the 2015-16 school year.
- Sonia Story also spoke about wireless radiation in schools.

Approval of Minutes

The following minutes were brought for approval:

- March 23, 2015, Regular Board Meeting. Pam Daly moved to approve the minutes. Nathanael O'Hara seconded and the motion carried 5-0.
- April 13, 2015, Work/Study Meeting. Nathanael O'Hara moved to approve the minutes. Keith White seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda

It was determined that Accounts Payable had not been reviewed. Jennifer James-Wilson moved to approve the consent agenda, removing Accounts Payable, which will be reviewed at a later date. Mr. O'Hara seconded and the motion carried 5-0. Included on the consent agenda were the following items: 1) Payroll for March, 2015; 2) Recommend the following actions:

Hire:	Recommend Amy Khile as Director of Finance and Business Operations, effective May 18, 2015 Recommend Ann McMahon as 1.0 FTE Speech/Language Pathologist leave replacement at Grant Street Elementary, effective April 6, 2015 Recommend Amy Wilson for the 1.0 FTE 5 th Grade teacher, one year position, Blue Heron School, effective the 2015-16 school year Recommend Rochelle Raines as 3.75 hrs./day Bus Driver, effective April 7, 2015 Recommend Dane Locklear for the position of Registrar/Counseling Office Secretary at Port Townsend High School, effective the 2015-16 school year
Retirement/Resignation:	Accept resignation of Sara Bonneville, Director of Finance and Business Operations, effective May 8, 2015 Accept resignation of Diane Lashinsky, Principal of Blue Heron School, effective the end of the 2014-15 school year Accept resignation of Rita Polk, 4 hrs./day Bus Driver, effective April 7, 2015 Accept resignation of Dan Spegal, Seasonal Grounds/Floater, effective June 1, 2015

Donations:

Accept resignation of Tom Hill, Grant Street Elementary para-educator, as of March 27, 2015

Accept donation from David Miller of a wooden boat, trailer and equipment, valued at \$1,450, to the Maritime Studies class at Port Townsend High School

Accept donation from Marta Stock of fine woodworking books and magazines, power and hand tools, lumber, and equipment, valued at \$3000, to the Maritime Studies class at Port Townsend High School

Board Correspondence

The Board reviewed a letter from Citizens for Local Food endorsing the District changes in Food Service menus.

Reports

ASB Report

No ASB representative was in attendance.

ReCyclery

Kees Kolff from the ReCyclery explained a bike-a-thon is planned for Wednesday, May 6, 2015; donation forms are available on the ReCyclery website. Friday, May 1, 2015 the bike shelter at Blue Heron School will be dedicated. Mr. Kolff thanked the many businesses and community members who donated funds and time to construct the shelter, and showed some pictures from the construction site.

Math Recommendations

Dave Thielk, math teacher at the High School, and Lisa Cartwright, Math Coach, Grades K-5 gave the board members a math task to solve. Discussion followed. Ms. Cartwright explained some of the strategies being used in Grades K-5 to help students be successful in meeting the new Common Core math standards. Mr. Thielk spoke about how high school students are being prepared for the new standards, and explained that these new standards are a balanced combination of procedure and understanding, not merely mastering math facts. He pointed out that teachers will need support while accomplishing the shift in teaching practice these new standards require. The process of accelerating students in math classes was discussed.

Ms. James-Wilson moved that items 9.01-Approval of Visit History Trip, and 09.04 - Curriculum Adoption be moved ahead of the Superintendent and Business Manager reports. Mr. White seconded, and the motion passed by consensus.

Action Items

Approval of Visit History Trip 2017

Tom Gambill and Gina McMather, High School teachers, explained this trip, which is usually taken annually, will skip 2016, and travel to Greece in 2017. Discussion followed.

Ms. James-Wilson moved to approve the Visit History Trip 2017. Mr. White seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Curriculum Adoption

Ms. James-Wilson moved to approve Curriculum Adoption - World History: Patterns of Interaction, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing, 2012. Mr. White seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Reports

Superintendent

Superintendent Engle reported on the following items:

- The publication "The Iceberg Effect", sponsored by the National Superintendent's Roundtable group.

- Online assessment testing has begun, and so far has been proceeding smoothly
- Interviews for Blue Heron principal will be held on May 12, 2015

Business Manager

Business Manager Sara Bonneville reported on the following:

- Budget status, enrollment numbers, and financial summary for March, 2015
- Audits and reviews done this school year
- Maritime Discovery Program expenditures and revenues to date
- Budget development for the 2015-16 school year

Action Items

Approval of Policy 4215 – Use of Tobacco and Nicotine Products and Delivery Devices

Ms. James-Wilson moved to approve Policy 4215 -Use of Tobacco and Nicotine Products and Delivery Devices. Mr. White seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Policy 5011 – Sexual Harassment

Ms. James-Wilson moved to approve Policy 5011, Sexual Harassment. Mr. O'Hara seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Policy Review

Policy 2418 – Waiver of High School Graduation Credits – First Review

High School Principal Carrie Ehrhardt explained that this a new policy recommended to accompany Policy 2410 – High School Graduation Requirements, which will require students in the graduating class of 2019 and beyond to complete 24 credits. This policy would give the superintendent some flexibility to waive up to 2 elective credits for a student that may experience some unusual circumstances in their life, as outlined in the policy. Discussion followed.

Board Member Announcements/Suggestions for Future Meetings

It was noted that Teacher Appreciation Week is May 4-8, 2015. Ms. James-Wilson said she attended the Grant Street Art Walk on Friday, April 24, 2015 and felt it was an amazing example of family and community support.

Next Meeting

May 11, 2015, Work/Study Meeting, 6:00 p.m., 1610 Blaine Street, Room S-11

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 9:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Engle, Secretary

ATTEST: Holley Carlson, Board Chair