

Work/Study Meeting

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

ASB (Associated Student Body) Representative Chloe Rogers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Agenda Approval

The agenda was approved as presented.

#### Recognition

##### Board

Chloe Rogers reported on the successful season for the High School swim team. Keith White complimented all of the fall sports teams and cheer squads on their performances, and appreciated the community support at games. Mr. White also praised the skit that was presented about how to be a friend before the High School concert at Grant Street on October 29, 2015. Nathanael O'Hara praised the City Parks and Recreation Department for their wrestling program for K-5 students. Pam Daly said she appreciated the skit before High School performance at Grant Street on October 29<sup>th</sup> as well.

#### Superintendent

Superintendent Engle praised the Special Education Department and teachers for passing the first phase of a review through the State. A federal review will be conducted later this year.

#### Public Comments

None

#### Board Correspondence – None

#### Reports

##### ASB Representative

Chloe Rogers reported the Associated Student Body was planning additional fundraising activities.

##### Maritime Discovery Schools Report

Sarah Rubenstein explained the MDS (Maritime Discovery Schools) curriculum matrix that is being developed, and reported that every teacher has at least one maritime-based project planned for this school year. She also explained that over \$800,000 in grants and donations have been received to support the initiative and its partners. Ms. Rubenstein said some high school seniors are planning senior projects with a maritime theme. She explained what will be the MDS focus for the 2015-16 school year, including integrating maritime and place-based learning into all classes, and recognized community groups who have become MDS partners. Discussion followed.

##### City Library Collaboration Update

Ann Healy-Raymond reported on the collaboration between Port Townsend Schools and the Port Townsend Public Library. A Public Library staff member came to the summer school at Grant Street

this last summer once a week to read aloud to the children. Ms. Healy-Raymond explained some projects and presentations planned at the schools to inspire students to read. She reported this collaboration received an additional \$15,000 through the Paul Allen Foundation for outreach to other libraries and organizations in the community.

#### Curriculum Committee Update

Ms. Healy-Raymond explained Superintendent Engle requested a task force be formed to define curriculum, create tools to guide resource decisions, and assist in developing procedures for board policies regarding curriculum.

#### Bond Update – Integrus Architecture

Brian Carter presented conceptual designs for a new elementary school at Grant Street and improvements at the High School. He also presented the timeline from now until the election in February, 2016, and forward if the bond proposal successfully passes. Plans are for the new school to be significantly larger than the current facility in order to accommodate moving the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders back from Blue Heron. Discussion followed. Security at the new school was discussed. Mr. O'Hara said there are community meetings scheduled for Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at Grant Street regarding the bond.

#### Action Items

##### Approval of Policy 6220 – Bid Requirements

Ms. James-Wilson moved to approve Policy 6220. Mr. White seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

##### Approval of Policy 3141 – Non-Resident Students

Mr. O'Hara moved to approve Policy 3141. Ms. Welch seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

##### Approval of Policy 3115 – Homeless Students

Mr. White moved to approve Policy 3115. Mr. O'Hara seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

##### Approval of Resolution 15-13, Lincoln Building

Superintendent Engle explained this resolution assures Peninsula Housing Authority enough time to conduct further studies regarding repurposing the building. Ms. Daly read Resolution 15-13. Ms. James-Wilson moved to approve Resolution 15-13, Ms. Welch seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

#### New Business

##### Draft Resolution 15-12, Bond to Construct and Improve Schools – First Review

The increase to property taxes connected with passage of this bond was discussed.

#### Policy Review

##### Policy 5202 – Mandated Drug and Alcohol Testing Program

Dr. Engle explained most of the testing requirements were removed from the policy and are addressed in the procedure. The differences in federal and state law regarding marijuana use were discussed.

##### Policy 5222 – Job-Sharing Staff Members

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Superintendent Engle clarified that this policy requires employees who want to job share to have a written plan in place.

Board Member Announcements

The upcoming WSSDA (Washington State School Directors' Association) conference was discussed. Nathanael O'Hara will not be in attendance at the November 23, 2015 meeting; Mr. White will review accounts payable.

Executive Session

The work/study meeting was adjourned at 8:07 for fifteen minutes to discuss performance of a public employee. At 8:20 p.m., Board Chair Pam Daly reported the executive session would be extended for approximately ten minutes. The executive session was adjourned at 8:32 p.m. The work/study meeting was reconvened at 8:32 p.m.

Next Meeting: November 23, 2015, regular board meeting, 6:00 pm., 1610 Blaine Street, Room S-11

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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David Engle, Secretary

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ATTEST: Pam Daly, Board Chair