

Board Chair Nathanael O'Hara called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. PRESENT: Nathanael O'Hara, Jennifer James-Wilson, Keith White, Laura Tucker, and Connie Welch Also present were Superintendent Engle, staff, and community members.

Keith White led the Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Approval

Jennifer James-Wilson moved to approve the agenda. Laura Tucker seconded; the motion carried 5-0.

Recognition

Board

Ms. James-Wilson praised the Art Gallery Walk held on April 22, 2016, where student art work is displayed in local businesses. Mr. White recognized seniors who have chosen post-high school education or training. Ms. Tucker praised the Earth Summit being presented tonight by Lois Sherwood's science classes. Mr. O'Hara spoke about observing the sale of bonds last week.

Superintendent

Superintendent Engle recognized the Wearable Art program that took place on Saturday, May 7, 2016, and, the high school drama performance, Westside Story.

Board Correspondence

The board reviewed correspondence from Holley Carlson regarding the superintendent search.

Reports

ASB Representative – None

Food Service Update – Stacey Larson

Ms. Larson discussed the following:

- Some of the purchases for food service made possible from the Farm-to-School grant the District was awarded
- Trainings, conferences, and visits to other sites she and her staff plan to attend.
- Use of reusable utensils in school cafeterias.
- Cooking classes for WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) parents possibly at the high school cafeteria, taught by Arran Stark.
- Using local beef next school year.

Personnel Update – Amy Khile

Ms. Khile reported that there were no sexual harassment claims against the district during the 15-16 school year; this report is required by Policy 5011. Ms. Khile gave an update on current and upcoming open positions in the District. Discussion followed.

Marine Science Center/Maritime Discovery Schools Report – Sarah Rubenstein, Janine Boire, Dennis Schatz

Janine Boire, Executive Director of the Marine Science Center (MSC), introduced Wendy Feltham, Marine Science Center Board President. Ms. Feltham explained how MSC began. Janine Boire, MSC Executive Director, explained how the partnership works between MSC and Maritime Discovery Schools (MDS). Ms. Boire said there is an interactive community event at MSC on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 for parents, students, and other community members led by Dennis Schatz, Program Officer for the National Science Foundation. Mr. Schatz explained that his workshops encourage developing critical thinkers and science learners. Mr. Schatz presented board members with objects to observe and make conclusions about. Discussion followed.

New School Construction Update – Brad Taylor, Director of Support Services, Kirk Robinson, Project Manager.

Kirk Robinson, Project Manager, reported that Absher Construction has been chosen for preconstruction services for the new school at Grant Street, and that contract is on tonight's agenda for approval. Mr. Robinson explained the process that was used to choose Absher Construction. Discussion followed. Mr. Robinson reviewed the next steps for the project.

Superintendent

Bond Sale Update

Superintendent Engle spoke about observing the bond sale on May 3, 2016.

Healthy Kids/Healthy Schools Grant

Superintendent Engle explained that the District was not awarded this grant, which would have offset the cost of purchasing hydration stations; however the District has decided to purchase and install six stations, four at the High School, one each at Blue Heron and Grant Street. He also said that although the District has not had an adverse water lead test, these stations include filtering, which would prevent contamination. Some of the costs for the stations may be offset by a senior project.

Public Comments

The following teachers spoke about wages, collaboration time, and benefits for District certificated employees:

Gina McMath, Jennifer Manning, Lisa Olsen, Leslie Shively, Julianne Dow, Roger Mills, and Tom Gambill.

Action Items

Approve Contract for Construction Company for New School Construction Project

Superintendent Engle spoke about the preconstruction phase of the project, and read Resolution 16-04, recommending approval of the preconstruction services contract with Absher Construction. Keith White moved to approve the contract for Absher Construction, and Resolution 16-04. Ms. Welch seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Approve School Calendar for 2016-17

Ms. James-Wilson moved to approve the 2016-17 school calendar. Ms. Tucker seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

New Business

Registration for Annual WSSDA (Washington State School Directors' Association) Conference
Registration and accommodations for the conference were discussed.

Board Member Announcements

East Jefferson Education Partnership Meeting, May 12, 2016

Superintendent Engle, Keith White, and possibly Nathanael O'Hara will be attending.

Executive Session

The work/study meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m. for approximately 20 minutes to discuss collective bargaining.

At 8:10 p.m. Board Chair O'Hara said the executive session would be extended for approximately 20 more minutes.

At 8:30 Board Chair O'Hara said the executive session would be extended for approximately another 20 minutes.

The executive session was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. The work/study meeting was reconvened at 8:50 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Engle, Secretary

ATTEST: _____
Nathanael O'Hara, Board Chair