Board Chair Bobby DuBois called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Present: Jennifer James-Wilson, Holley Carlson, Bobby DuBois and Beth Young. Also present were Superintendent Laes, staff and members of the community.

Ms. Young led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The work/study meeting was adjourned at 6:06 p.m. and Mr. DuBois called to order the Public Hearing for the 2011-12 SY budget. Amy Khile described the documents she had prepared, which included: Budget Expenditures Compared to Revenues; Debt Service Fund; Capital Projects Fund; ASB Fund and the Transportation Vehicle Fund. Ms. Carlson and Ms. James-Wilson thanked Ms. Khile for all of her hard work preparing the documents and found them extremely clear and informative. Discussion followed.

Ann Burkart arrived at 6:25 p.m.

Tom Thiersch asked the following:
- Why the total amount from the levy passed in 2011 was not reflected in the 2011-12 budget? [Ms. Khile explained that the levy money was spread over two years.]
- Asked if the district has a choice vehicle type (i.e. hybrid) when purchasing a replacement bus for the one damaged last year. [Mr. Laes explained the state only allows expenditures from state-authorized vendors. Money from the Transportation Vehicle Fund could not be used to purchase a bus from any other company except the ones on the state-authorized list.]
- Asked for an explanation of the expenditures for technology in the proposed budget. [Ms. Khile stated that the majority of the $53,000.00 is salaries, with the rest intended for payment of the technology support provided by the Olympic Education Services District (ESD) and replacement of hardware as needed.]

Mr. Thiersch noted the following:
- the proposed budget for 2011-12 does not account for any rise in utility costs;
- the proposed budget does not reflect any increase for technology support. There will likely be a cost to the district for a fiber optic connection, which is scheduled to be available in the spring of 2012.

He stated he again had to personally ask the superintendent to place the entire budget document on the website. That was done earlier today and he hopes this will continue in future years.

The public hearing was adjourned at 7:11 p.m. and the work/study meeting was reconvened.

Mr. DuBois stated the agenda should be modified to include an executive session to discuss collective bargaining. Ms. Burkart moved to add an executive session as Item X on the agenda. Ms. James-Wilson seconded and motion, which carried 5-0.

Public Comments:
Tom Thiersch
- Feels the district does not communicate adequately with the public other than with parents, and asked why the district staff newsletter that is produced is not available on the website?
- Asked for some clarification about the district fund balance.
- Feels the district should have passed some budget extensions for 2011-12 school year and none were done.

Rita Beebe said the information presented in tonight's budget hearing was informative and organized.

The board discussed the upcoming superintendent search. The options they discussed included doing the search themselves (including recruiting applicants) or hiring a consultant. The board also requested that the outgoing superintendent be involved the search. The time frame was discussed, perhaps beginning in September and closing after Christmas. Mr. DuBois asked that the superintendent search be placed on the agenda for the August 8, 2011, board meeting.

The board discussed board self-evaluation. Ms. James-Wilson said she has a sample evaluation from Washington State School Directors Association (WSSDA). Mr. DuBois asked that form be passed out, completed and returned at the August 8, 2011 board meeting.

The board discussed the superintendent evaluation. Mr. Laes said the last evaluation was completed in January of 2011, and should be done twice a year. He will get the form to the board before the August 8, 2011 board meeting.

Board Member Announcements:
- Ms. Carlson and Mr. DuBois said they will not be at the July 25 regular board meeting.

Board/Administrator Retreat:
- Mr. Laes said he would have the information discussed at the June 13, 2011, board retreat compiled for the next retreat.
- The board/administrator retreat was scheduled for August 16, 2011, from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the Lincoln Building Board Room. Administrators and incoming board members will be invited to attend.

The work/study meeting was recessed to Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining. The meeting was reconvened at 8:15 p.m.

Suggestions for next or future agendas:
- Ms. Burkart suggested perhaps an ad could be placed in the Leader newspaper indicating that budget documents for the 2011-12 school year are on the school website.
- Ms. Young indicated she would review Accounts Payable for the July 25, 2011, regular board meeting in Ms. Carlson's absence.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Gene R. Laes, Superintendent Bobby DuBois, Board Chair