

Board Chair Nathanael O'Hara called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. PRESENT: Nathanael O'Hara, Connie Welch, Jennifer James-Wilson, and Laura Tucker. EXCUSED: Keith White. Also present were Superintendent Polm, staff, and community members.

Board Member Thought

Jennifer James-Wilson shared an article titled "Higher Education, 12 Things You Might Not Have Learned in the Classroom", by John Gatto.

Agenda Approval

Laura Tucker moved to approve the agenda. Ms. James-Wilson seconded. Superintendent Polm requested that the student recognition be postponed until later in the meeting as the recipient had a previous engagement and couldn't arrive until later. Ms. Tucker moved to amend her motion to approve the agenda, moving the student recognition to later in the meeting. Ms. James-Wilson seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Public Comments

Candace Mangold spoke about fund raising for the food service accounts which have a negative balance. Discussion followed.

Board Correspondence

The board reviewed an email from Joyce Francis, Chair of the Fort Worden Advisory Committee, requesting appointment of a Port Townsend School district representative to the Fort Worden Advisory Committee. The board directed Superintendent Polm to provide a representative to that committee.

Reports

Student

Student representatives Jordyn King and Kaitlyn Meek reported that the high school ASB (Associated Student Body) is working on planning the Veterans' Day assembly, and the seniors are busy planning prom, scheduled for May 12, 2018.

Board

Ms. James-Wilson said she plans to attend the Jefferson Transit budget meeting on November 14, 2017; she also mentioned that the Transit meeting in December is when that board will decide on expanding their membership, which may allow for a representative from East Jefferson school districts.

Ms. Tucker reported that the Students for Sustainability Club met with Representative Mike Chapman on November 1, 2017 to discuss the bottle bill the students are proposing. The club will travel to Olympia on November 14, 2017 to meet with lobbyists regarding that bill.

Grant Street Report and School Improvement Plan – Lisa Condran and Ann Healy-Raymond

Principal Condran reported on the Grant Street Improvement Plan for 2016-17. She then introduced members of the Grant Street Building Leadership Team, who reported on strategies and goals in the following areas to help improve student learning:

- Literacy: Kelsi Johnson, Kindergarten teacher, and Corey Smith, Special Education teacher

- Mathematics: Tracy Gallegos, Math Intervention Specialist K-5, and Lisa Cartwright, Math Coach K-5
- Family Engagement: Principal Lisa Condran
- Thinking Strategies: Peter Braden, 2nd grade teacher, and Allen Fox, 3rd grade teacher
- Social Emotional Learning and PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports): Sabrina Caverly, Counselor, and Maggie Kelley, 5th grade teacher

Recognition

Superintendent Polm presented a certificate of recognition to Jediah Sanders, 5th grade student at Grant Street Elementary, for his daily assistance with dismissal at Grant Street.

Human Resources

Laurie McGinnis, Human Resources Director, presented staff and payroll information for 2016-17, including the number of grievances filed in both the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years, and explained some improvement strategies and goals for the Human Resource Department.

Transportation

Superintendent Polm explained that Monica Mulligan, Transportation Director, was unable to attend this evening. He presented information regarding revenues and expenditures for the Transportation Department for the past two years, the number of reported bus miles for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years, goals this department has achieved, and areas for improvement.

Superintendent

Superintendent Polm reported on the following:

- Quimper Mercantile Sharing with Our Schools event on Sunday, November 5, 2017
- His attendance at the District Administrators Leadership Institute, November 8-10, 2017 in San Diego, California
- Update on Salish Coast Elementary construction
- District committee meetings
- Meeting at Olympic Educational Service District 114 on November 3, 2017 to discuss Senate Bill 2242

Travel plans for the board and superintendent to the WSSDA (Washington State School Directors' Association) Conference on November 17-19, 2017 were discussed.

Action Item

Board Annual Planning Calendar Update

Superintendent Polm explained this calendar has been updated with any changes to previous and upcoming items. Ms. James-Wilson moved to approve the updated Board Annual Planning Calendar. Ms. Welch seconded. Timing for the annual superintendent evaluation was discussed. The motion carried 4-0.

Policy Review

Policy and Procedure 6505 – Video Security on School District Grounds or Property

Superintendent Polm explained some of the changes to this policy and procedure that were recommended by the District's attorney. Policy 6505 will be on the November 16, 2017 board meeting agenda for approval.

Policy and Procedure 2410 – Graduation Requirements

Superintendent Polm explained that changes to this policy and procedure were made to reflect new State graduation requirements. Policy 2410 will be on the November 16, 2017 board meeting agenda for approval.

Public Comments – None

Future Meeting Topics and Agenda Planning

Superintendent Polm suggested discussing which sessions of the WSSDA Conference the board plans to attend at the November 16, 2017 meeting. Mr. O'Hara suggested beginning discussions about at-large director districts. Mr. O'Hara also asked about posting the board packet for meetings earlier in the week, and reported that he will not be at the December 7, 2017 board meeting.

Board Reflections

Ms. James-Wilson said she enjoys meetings scheduled in school buildings and the reports from teachers. Mr. O'Hara asked if some longitudinal data on assessment results could be provided.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Polm, Jr., Secretary

ATTEST: _____
Nathanael O'Hara, Board Chair