

Wenatchee School District No. 246
Wenatchee, Washington
Minutes of November 25th, 2008 Regular Board Meeting

Board	Staff
Jesús Hernández, President	Brian Flonas, Superintendent
Chuck Largent, Vice President	
Kevin Gilbert	
Laura Jaecks	
Walter Newman	

REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 p.m.

Jesús Hernández, Board President, opened the regular board meeting at Washington Elementary School at 7:00 p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Hernández asked everyone in the room to introduce themselves.

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Jesús Hernández asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda, motion made by Chuck Largent. It was seconded and the motion carried unanimously. The following is in the consent agenda:

1) **MINUTES** of the Regular Board Meeting on November 10th, 2008.

2) PERSONNEL REPORT:

PREPARED BY: Steve Cole, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
 SUBJECT: **PERSONNEL REPORT 11-25-08**

3) PAYROLL & VOUCHERS:

PAYROLL: November 2008: \$4,971,597.93

Date: November 25th	VOUCHER REGISTER #	AMOUNT TOTAL
General Fund:	27085-27334	\$395,489.43
Capital Projects	295-295	\$1,999.00
ASB Fund:	3366-3422	50,755.30
2008-2009 FUND		

4) CONTRACTS:

Date	New or Renewal or Revision	Agency	Purpose	Amount	Effective Dates	Staff Person Responsible for Contract	Approved by Les?	PO Required?
11/17/08	New	NCESD	Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) Training - Special Programs	\$11,300	9/01/08-5/31/08	Nancy Duffey	Yes	Yes
				6400 27 7000 000				
11/18/08	New	Wenatchee Valley College	Outreach Specialist	\$46,100	7/01/08-6/30/09	Nancy Duffey	Yes	Yes
				7915 27 7000 000				

support of providing for Chelan County citizens with adequate mental health care and drug and alcohol and chemical dependency treatment services. She asked for district support of the proposal to adopt a 1/10th of 1% sales tax as authorized by Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill 5763 in 2005. She gave out information and a form letter for them to sign and send in to Chelan County Commissioners.

II. SPECIAL REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS:

1) **Washington Elementary Presentation:** Washington Counselor, Aaron MacKenzie made a presentation on the counseling program at Washington Elementary. He is the only counselor for 560 students and he outlined for the board the activities he is responsible for in reaching out to the students. He shared his website with the board and showed how it is user friendly for students and parents. He also took them through the website and explained each section. After his presentation he invited the board to come and shadow him for a day to see what it is like at the elementary level as a counselor. He also said he loves his job, students and school where he works. He thanked the board for the support they

have given the counselors in the district. The board asked a lot of questions and thanked him for the informative and impressive presentation.

Mr. MacKenzie's Website which was included in his presentation:

We have such a great team here @ Washington. I'm looking forward to another wonderful year!

MY GOAL is to help students acquire knowledge, skills & a positive attitude which will help them improve attendance, behavior & academic achievement.

HERE ARE SOME WAYS I'LL DO THAT:

1. Continue to be visible & engaged with students so they know who I am.
2. Be an active team member to help students succeed.
3. Teach meaningful lessons to equip students with strong relationship skills. (Check out the curriculum link below for details)
4. Be available to help students & families.
5. Keep having fun!

COUNSELING CURRICULUM 2008-2009

K-3

There is a series of district adopted personal safety lessons from the Talking About Touching curriculum published by Committee for Children.

Kindergarten

I will help supervise the kindergarten recess most days as a way to help provide safety during their free time and give me a chance to play with all the students. Later in the fall I will join Mr. Bailey (PE teacher) for several BASIC Training lessons during physical education time. This is a pro-social model that helps students be safe, cooperate, take responsibility & be friendly all while having fun moving around. Later in the year I will join them in their classrooms to introduce a friend, "I Care Cat", a fun character who helps teach us about friendship & respect.

Grades: 1-5

I will spend most of September team teaching with Andi Brizendine (aka "Mrs B") the physical education teacher in the gym reinforcing the key principles of BASIC Training. This is our school-wide approach to improving play & social skills so recess is safer and more fun for everyone.

We will review after both Christmas & spring break so we can continue to have successful recesses.

Grade: 1

Be listening for your son or daughter to be talking about 'I Care Cat' again this year. I will be doing 5 classroom visits to reinforce & expand on what we learned last year.

Grade: 2

'I Care Cat' will be visiting your child in 2nd grade this year. We will also be focusing on dealing with anger and frustration and coping with teasing.

Grade: 3

We will be focusing on building refusal skills when it comes to bullying. We learn that together we can help support one another deal with difficult situations by learning to Recognize, Refuse & Report. I have modified lessons from the Steps To Respect curriculum for these lessons.

Grade: 4

I will be in the classroom for 8 lessons working through a great curriculum called Life Skills Training Level 1.

Grade: 5

I will be in the classroom reinforcing & building on the essential pieces of the Life Skills Training lessons we learned about in 4th grade. This year we will be going Level 2.

We will also be doing some career exploration lessons which will culminate in a career fair with all other 5th graders in the district in the spring.

2) Update on WSD Choice Program: Chet Harum outlined and included a more detailed update on the Choice Program at Wenatchee School District. The board thanked him for the information because it is easily readable and has helped them to answer questions while talking to citizens in the community. Mr. Harum was able to settle some questions that the board has been receiving and clarify the WSD Choice program. He also shared the updated form he designed for the parents with policy and procedure attached to enable parents to have a better idea of what to expect from the district. The report was as follows:

Choice Report October 2008



Total Choice Approvals

Wenatchee's 13 Schools	2007	In	Out of	Total	2007	In	Outside	Total	Difference +/-	Difference +/-
	In	District	District	In		Out	District	District		
Columbia	54	41	9	50	66	78	4	82	-12	-32
John Newbery	121	134	10	144	48	52	6	58	+73	+86
Lewis and Clark	89	74	33	107	96	117	8	125	-7	-18
Lincoln	60	77	11	88	77	83	4	87	-17	+1
Mission View	36	30	9	39	40	52	5	57	-16	-18
Sunnyslope	22	19	8	27	20	11	21	32	+2	-5
Washington	93	79	14	93	59	50	11	61	+34	+32
Total			94				59			+35
Foothills	42	35	27	62	29	21	12	33	+13	+29
Orchard	57	28	12	40	61	61	6	67	-4	-27
Pioneer	55	53	11	64	45	34	5	39	-10	+25
Total			50				23			+27
Wenatchee High School	23	N/A	62	62	64	N/A	63	63	-41	-1
Total in & out of district			62				63			-1
Valley Academy	122	N/A	126	126	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	+122	+126
WestSide High School	37	N/A	23	23	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	+37	+23
Sub Totals			149				145			+149
District Totals			355				145		+174	+210

Out of District Choice Requests Out of District

Wenatchee Schools	Number of choice in	Cascade	Cashmere	Chelan	Eastmont	Entiat	Orondo	Quincy	Waterville
Columbia	9				8	1			
John Newbery	10	1			9				
Lewis and Clark	33	2	3		27	1			
Lincoln	11				10		1		
Mission View	9				9				
Sunnyslope	8				5	1	2		
Washington	14				14				
Total Elementary Schools	94	3	3	0	82	3	3	0	0
Foothills	27	2		2	14	7	3		
Orchard	12		4		8				
Pioneer	11				11				
Total Middle Schools	50	2	4	2	33	7	3		
Wenatchee High School	62	1	9		45	3	2	1	1
WestSide High School	23	2	4		17				
Total High Schools	85	3	13		62	3	2	1	1
Valley Academy	126	12	28	4	60	5	4	6	7
Overall TOTAL	355	20	48	8	237	18	12	8	9

Comparison of 2007 to 2008 Totals (with internet programs calculated into the numbers)

School Districts	07	Number of WSD CHOICE IN 08	07	Number of WSD CHOICE OUT 08	07	Difference 08 +/-
Cascade School District	24	20	1	0	+23	+ 20
Cashmere School District	50	48	22	37	+28	+ 11
Chelan School District	4	8	0	0	+4	+ 8
Eastmont School District	235	237	31	75	+204	+ 162
Entiat School District	4	18	6	0	-2	+ 18
Orondo School District	7	12	0	2	+7	+ 10
Quincy School District	8	8	0	2	+8	+ 6
Waterville School District	9	9	0	0	+9	+ 9
Columbia Virtual Academy	-	N/A	-	9	-	- 9
Insight	-	N/A	-	6	-	- 6
Internet programs (other)	-	N/A	-	2	-	- 2
WAVA	-	N/A	-	12	-	- 12
Total	341	355	60	145	+281	+ 189

K – 5 (In District Only) Choice Requests 2008 – 2009 - Elementary

	Linc	Col	NB	LC	MV	SS	WA	Total out
Linc		10	20	12	14	5	22	83
Col	22		10	17	5	0	24	78
NB	4	13		15	4	9	7	52
LC	8	7	77		6	5	14	117
MV	24	4	8	6		0	10	52
SS	1	0	6	2	0		2	11
WA	7	7	13	22	1	0		50
Total In	66	41	134	74	30	19	79	443

K – 5 (In District Only) Choice Requests 2008 – 2009 – Middle School

	Foothills	Orchard	Pioneer	Total out
Foothills		10	11	21
Orchard	19		42	61
Pioneer	16	18		34
Total In	35	28	53	116

Total Choice “Processed” during February 2008 until October 1, 2008

In District Choice Elementary	443
In District Choice Middle School	116
Out of District	355
Internet	29
Total	943

Processed choice applications for 2008 -2009, so far.

Each year February 1 through June 1 is the open enrollment period for choice. These choice requests are processed as soon as possible. Choice that is requested during the summer is completely processed by the end of the first week of school.

We are still averaging 14 - 20 choice application requests per month during the non-open enrollment period – September through February.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

1) RESOLUTION NO. 02-08 – LEVY

WSD CFO Les Vandervort presented the following Levy Resolution #02-08 to the board for approval. After discussion the board decided to postpone action on the resolution until the next board meeting in order to review what the Facilities Committee recommended and give more time to look at Bond possibilities, as long as it did not interfere in the election process timeline. Mr. Vandervort assured the board it would not present a problem for the election timeline to wait two weeks.

WENATCHEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 246
CHELAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

REPLACEMENT OF EXPIRING EDUCATIONAL
PROGRAMS AND OPERATION LEVY

RESOLUTION NO. 02-08

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Wenatchee School District No. 246, Chelan County, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a special election to be held therein on March 10, 2009, of a proposition authorizing a tax levy to be made annually for four years commencing in 2009 for collection in 2010 on all of the taxable property within the District of \$9,890,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$3.15 per \$1,000 of assessed value (such assessed value representing 100% of true and fair value unless specifically provided otherwise by law), in 2010 for collection in 2011 of \$10,187,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$3.15 per \$1,000 of assessed value, in 2011 for collection in 2012 of \$10,492,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$3.15 per \$1,000 of assessed value, and in 2012 for collection in 2013 of \$10,807,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$3.15 per \$1,000 of assessed value, all in excess of the maximum tax levy specified by law for school districts without voter approval, for the District's General Fund, the proceeds of such levies to be used to pay general expenses of educational programs and operation, all as more particularly set forth herein; and designating the Secretary to the Board and special counsel to receive notice of the ballot title from the Auditor of Chelan County, Washington.

ADOPTED: NOVEMBER 25, 2008

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WENATCHEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 246, CHELAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Wenatchee School District No. 246, Chelan County, Washington (the "District"), hereby makes the following findings and determinations:

- (a) Calendar year 2009 is the last year of collection of the District's current four-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy, which was authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 14-04, adopted by the Board on December 14, 2004, and a special election held and conducted within the District on March 8, 2005.
- (b) With the expiration of the District's current four-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy, it appears certain that the money which will be available for the General Fund for the school years 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 will be insufficient to permit the District to meet the educational needs of its students, maintain current educational programs and operation and pay general expenses of educational programs and operation thereof, all as more particularly set forth in Section 2 of this resolution, during such school years, and that it is necessary that a replacement excess tax levy of \$9,890,000 be made in 2009 for collection in 2010, \$10,187,000 be made in 2010 for collection in 2011, \$10,492,000 be made in 2011 for collection in 2012, and \$10,807,000 be made in 2012 for collection in 2013 for the District's General Fund to provide the money required to meet those expenses.
- (c) The District's proposed four-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy authorized in this resolution provides for approximately the same purpose as the District's expiring four-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy.
- (d) The District is authorized pursuant to Article VII, Section 2(a) of the Washington Constitution and Revised Code of Washington ("RCW") 84.52.053 to submit to the District's voters at a special election, for their approval or rejection, the proposition of whether the District shall levy excess property taxes for support of the District's educational programs and operation expenses.

Section 2. The Auditor of Chelan County, Washington, as *ex officio* Supervisor of Elections (the "Auditor"), is requested to call and conduct a special election in the District in the manner provided by law to be held therein on March 10, 2009, for the purpose of submitting to the District's voters, for their approval or rejection, the proposition of whether a replacement General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy shall be made annually for four years commencing in 2009 for collection in 2010 on all of the taxable property within the District of \$9,890,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$3.15 per \$1,000 of assessed value (such assessed value representing 100% of true and fair value unless specifically provided otherwise by law), in 2010 for collection in 2011 of \$10,187,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$3.15 per \$1,000 of assessed value, in 2011 for collection in 2012 of \$10,492,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$3.15 per \$1,000 of assessed value, and in 2012 for collection in 2013 of \$10,807,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$3.15 per \$1,000 of assessed value, all in excess of the maximum tax levy specified by law for school districts without voter approval. The exact tax levy rate may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District at the time of the levy.

The Auditor is also requested to conduct the aforesaid special election by mail ballot pursuant to chapter 29A.48 RCW.

If such proposition is approved by the requisite numbers of voters, the District will be authorized to levy excess property taxes and use the proceeds of such levies to meet the educational needs of its students, maintain current educational programs and operation and pay general expenses of educational programs and operation thereof during the school years 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013 and 2013-2014, all as maybe authorized by law and deemed necessary by the Board. Pending the receipt of those taxes, the District may issue short-term obligations pursuant to chapter 39.50 RCW or contract indebtedness pursuant to RCW 28A.530.080. Upon receipt, the District may use those taxes to repay such short-term obligations or indebtedness, all as may be authorized by law and deemed necessary and advisable by the Board.

Section 3. Pursuant to RCW 29A.36.071, the Chelan County Prosecuting Attorney is requested to prepare the concise description of the aforesaid proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION 1
WENATCHEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 246
REPLACEMENT OF EXPIRING EDUCATIONAL
PROGRAMS AND OPERATION LEVY

The Board of Directors of Wenatchee School District No. 246 adopted Resolution No. 02-08, concerning a proposition to maintain current educational programs and operation. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, in place of an expiring levy, upon all taxable property within the District, for support of the District's General Fund educational programs and operation expenses:

Year	Collection Year Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2010	\$3.15	\$ 9,890,000
2011	\$3.15	\$10,187,000
2012	\$3.15	\$10,492,000
2013	\$3.15	\$10,807,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 02-08. Should this proposition be approved?

LEVY YES! LEVY NO!

Section 4. The Secretary to the Board (the "Secretary") or his designee is directed to: (a) present a certified copy of this resolution to the Auditor at least 52 days prior to the date of such special election; and (b) perform such other duties as are necessary or required by law to submit to the District's voters at the aforesaid special election, for their approval or rejection, the proposition of whether the District shall levy excess property taxes for support of the District's educational programs and operation expenses. All actions of the District or its staff or officers taken prior to the effective date of this resolution and consistent with the objectives and terms of this resolution are ratified and confirmed.

Section 5. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates the (a) Secretary (Brian Flonas), telephone: 509.663.8161; fax: 509.663.3082; email: flonas.b@mail.wsd.wednet.edu; and (b) special counsel, Foster Pepper PLLC (Jim McNeill), telephone: 509.777.1602; fax 800.533.2284; email: mcnej@foster.com, as the individuals to whom the Auditor shall provide such notice. The Secretary is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, deemed necessary by the Auditor or the Chelan County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 6. If any provision of this resolution shall be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, then such provision shall be null and void and shall be separable from the remaining provisions of this resolution and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this resolution, or of the levy or collection of excess property taxes authorized herein. Section 7. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption. ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Wenatchee School District No. 246, Chelan County, Washington, at a regular open public meeting thereof, held this 25th day of November, 2008, the following Directors being present and voting in favor of the resolution.

WENATCHEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 246
CHELAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

President and Director
Vice President and Director
Director
Director
Director
ATTEST:
BRIAN L. FLONES
Secretary to the Board of Directors

CERTIFICATION

I, BRIAN L. FLONES, Secretary to the Board of Directors of Wenatchee School District No. 246, Chelan County, Washington (the "District"), hereby certify as follows:

1. The foregoing Resolution No. 02-08 (the "Resolution") is a full, true and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board") held at the regular meeting place thereof on November 25, 2008, as that Resolution appears on the minute book of the District, and the Resolution is now in full force and effect; and
2. A quorum of the members of the Board was present throughout the meeting and a sufficient number of members of the Board present voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 25th day of November, 2008.

WENATCHEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 246
CHELAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
BRIAN L. FLONES
Secretary to the Board of Directors

IV) NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Jodi Smith, Assistant Superintendent of Learning and Teaching, presented the following out of state student field trip for approval by the board.

OUT-OF-STATE STUDENT FIELD TRIP APPROVAL

Group Name: WHS Mariachi

Date of Trip:	March 31, 2009
Purpose:	Mariachi Huenachi has been invited to perform for Cesar Chavez Day at the University of Idaho. This is a great honor for our program and our district.
Number of Students:	30
Location:	Idaho
Cost:	ASB (University of Idaho will pay \$1,400 for the bus)
Supervision:	Ramon Rivera/Aaron Davis

After a brief discussion by the board a motion was made.

MOTION MADE: Chuck Largent made the motion to approve the out of state field trip for the WSD Mariachi as presented.

SECONDED AND APPROVED: Unanimously

PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

- Comments about forecast from Olympia
- Great visits to schools by board members (FH, Lin., Pio.)
- Asked everyone to pass along to counselors the good work they are doing

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Ms. Jaecks shared a telephone call she received from a concerned citizen about the Dual Language Program.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

- David Wiggum agreed to Chair the Levy Committee but we are still looking for a Co-Chair.
- Update on Levy and Bond committee
- Open Campus report next board meeting

MEETING ADJOURNED: Jesús Hernández adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

President

Superintendent