

**Wenatchee School District No. 246
Wenatchee, Washington
Minutes of September 25th, 2007 Regular Board Meeting**

Board

Kevin Gilbert, President
Jesús Hernández, Vice President
Karen Norlin
Chuck Largent
Laura Jaecks

Staff

Jon DeJong, Assistant Superintendent

REGULAR MEETING

Kevin Gilbert, opened the regular board meeting at the Central Office at 7:00 p.m., with the Pledge of Allegiance led by a high school student.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board President explained Brian Flones was not attending due to a close friend's funeral and that board member Laura Jaecks may be a couple minutes late. Kevin Gilbert asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda, with amended personnel report, and carryon payroll report. Jesús Hernández made the motion, Chuck Largent seconded it and the motion carried unanimously.

1) **MINUTES** of the September 11th , 2007 regular board meeting.

2) **PERSONNEL REPORT:**

3) **PAYROLL / AP VOUCHER REGISTER –**

Hand Carry Payroll:

September, 2007 - \$4,797,781.42

2006/07 VOUCHERS

DATE: Sept. 25, 2007/ FUND	VOUCHER REGISTER #	AMOUNT TOTAL
2006-07 FUND		
General Fund:	19208-19379	\$ 244,280.07
ASB Fund:	2054-2077	\$ 21,047.82
Capital Projects:		

2007/08 VOUCHERS:

DATE: Sept. 25, 2007/ FUND	VOUCHER REGISTER #	AMOUNT TOTAL
2007-08 FUND		
General Fund:	19380-19562	\$ 702,043.13
ASB Fund:	2078-2113	\$ 25,398.38

4) CONTRACTS FOR APPROVAL:

Date	New or Renewal or Revision	Agency	Purpose	Amount	Effective Dates	Staff Person Responsible for Contract	Approved by Les?	PO Required ?
09/01/07	Renew	SkillSource	Providing education services for students at the Downtown Learning Center.	Approximately \$190,000	9/01/07-8/31/08	Les Vandervort	Yes	Yes
09/01/07	Renew	NCESD	Interagency agreement for a .5 fte information specialist coordinator	None	9/01/07-8/31/08	Les Vandervort	Yes	Yes

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

- Ms Jo Lowe, a WHS parent who is a member of the Parent Connections group addressed the board about the concern of some parents over the cancellation of WHS Open House this year. She shared some concerns and emails. The board thanked her for her comments and insights and said they would look into the issue.
- Kari Scull introduced herself as a PTO parent at Lewis & Clark and announced that she will be attending the board meetings to represent Lewis and Clark.

WHS ASB REPORT: None

SPECIAL REPORTS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

- President Gilbert reported emails and personal communications that he had with parents concerning the cancellation of Open House at WHS. Discussion followed with all board members and Michele Wadeikis, principal at WHS. Ms Wadeikis shared all the means of communication they made to inform the public of the cancellation of Open House. The board recommended that there be a closer look at cancellation of Open House before doing so in the future. By having it later in the year (October conference week) some parents feel is too late into the year for parents to have an idea of what is expected of their children by their teachers. Ms Wadeikis said that the freshman class have an introduction meeting for parents so all new students have the opportunity to explore the school and classrooms prior to starting. Ms Wadeikis also offered to talk to anyone who emailed or called the board about this subject. The board thanked Ms Wadeikis for her input and she thanked the board for their suggestions.
- Questions were asked of Ms Wadeikis about the progress of open campus. She reported that they are getting the ID badges now and will be opening campus after the September 28, 2007, for only the upper classmen who have finished the proper paperwork process. They have made it very clear what will happen to anyone abusing the privilege and the ASB President has reminded the student body that this is a privilege and a good opportunity for them to prove they are responsible enough to handle it.
- Jesus Hernandez said he visited Pioneer Middle School this week and will share some things at the board retreat about his visit. He also suggested that the board ask for input from the schools for topics for their retreat.
- Laura Jaecks reported meeting with a representative from CWU and discussing what WSD expectations of the kind of teachers we want from CWU. She met with Laura Waldren also, Coordinator of WSD Tap program and Mrs. Waldren was able to give a comprehensive overview of our guidelines and expectations for new teachers and provide Ms Jaecks with some good talking points.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Assistant Superintendent Jon DeJong sat in due to the absence of Superintendent Fiones.

- Confirmation of Board Review dates and times were made with the board members, the concern from board members that 20 minutes may not be enough time for each school was a topic of discussion. They decided the times could fluctuate and adjust during the presentations. It was the same schedule as last year.
- Confirmation of Board Retreat Oct. 26 at the top of the ESD, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Discussion about changing the Nov. 13th board meeting date to Nov. 6th due to the WSSDA conference that all the board members will be attending along with the superintendent. This will be discussed with Mr. Fiones when he returns for approval.
- Timeline discussed on the upcoming election and retirement of board member Karen Norlin and swearing in of Dr. Walter Newman.
- Reminder that a resolution will need to be submitted at the next board meeting to pay for Dr. Newman's attendance of WSSDA Conference before he is sworn in.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:35 P.M.

President

Secretary