

Voucher Approval

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing that has been made available to the Board.

Fund	Warrant Numbers	Amount
General Fund Warrants	57149 – 57156	4,855.71
General Fund Warrants	57157 – 57160	1,491.48
General Fund Warrants	57161 – 57315	286,620.69
Associated Student Body Fund	10539 – 10552	14,593.81
Associated Student Body Fund	10553 – 10565	4,286.24
Capital Projects Warrants	908 – 912	263,705.06
Capital Projects Warrants	913 – 914	960,304.85

Assurance of Organizational Performance**Superintendents Update**

Superintendent Patti Banks reported there has been a baby boom from UPSD administrators. NVI Principal Eric Brubaker has a new son, CHS Assistant Principal Jeff Johnson has a new daughter, and CJH Principal Jeff Chamberlin and his wife are expecting a baby in March.

Dr. Greg Paus and architect John Wegener updated the Board on current construction projects. The bid went out today on the junior high, with bid opening scheduled for February 21, 2008. There was discussion with the Board about the timing of the bid, the general economic forecast, and the availability of contractors and sub contractors.

Superintendent Banks recently accompanied Dr. Paus on a walk-through of the new University Place Primary. He reported the UPP construction is moving along well, and he hopes to take the Board for a tour soon. The general contractor, Babbit Neuman Construction Co., was complimented for the smoothly progressing project.

Deputy Superintendent Terry Pullen has been leading the fund-raising for the purchase of a bronze cougar for the new CJH. Nearly \$40,000 of the costs, which total \$50,000, have been raised.

Board Development**Board Self-monitoring**

Monitoring on B/SR 5 Monitoring Superintendent Performance was postponed until the next regular meeting.

Research

Rick Maloney reviewed some slides from a presentation on school board leadership and the dissatisfaction theory. The Board discussed the topic. Kent Keel said the “apathy thing resonates with me. When we get a lot of people to our meetings, it’s because they are dissatisfied with something.”

Mary Lu Dickinson disagreed, saying “If I’m happy with things I’m not apathetic – I am content.”

Superintendent Banks commented that if parents/community members/staff are upset about something, their first step isn’t usually the School Board. Their problems are generally responded to at a lower level, she stated.

January Linkage

The results of the on-line parent survey on Contributing Citizens were reviewed with members of the PTSA Council at their linkage with the Board on January 22, 2008. (175 parent responses received) The Board discussed the comments received from the PTSA Council members. These included: Concern that not enough parents responded to the survey. Are our expectations too global since schools only have influence over part of students' lives? Parents don't want the district to be responsible for raising their child or their child being a good citizen. Need to show the value of effort – how do we promote putting forth our best effort in school and in life? How do you measure good citizenship? There are a lot of things outside of school that affect a child.

Policy Review**E-2 Academic Competence**

The Board reviewed the suggestions from Andrew Eyres and Jeff Loupas on policy E-2. Kent Keel thinks we should have an Ends policy covering technology. There was discussion about staff using technology, technology becoming embedded in the curriculum, and teaching students to use technology responsibly.

Kent Keel was asked to create an amendment for the Board to consider that would look at the outcome discussion on technology. Rick Maloney will create an amendment for the Board to consider that would look at the outcome discussion on oral communication.

Superintendent Banks reminded the Board that the weight of testing can only bear so much. “We have to prioritize,” she added.

Since the monitoring and response on policy E-2 take considerable time, and some assessment data arrives in the fall, the Board agreed to change the monitoring frequency to October and January so different portions of the information can be monitored when available.

Paul Koppe moved, Mary Lu Dickinson seconded, and the motion carried to adopt the proposed changes to Policy E-2.

There were no suggested revisions to policies:

EL-8 Budget Execution

EL-11 Communication and Counsel to the Board

EL-12 Communication with the Public

EL-13 Academic Standards and Practices

GP-12 Board Member Compensation and Expenses

Board Assessment of Meeting

Paul Koppe assessed the meeting.

Announcements

Mary Lu Dickinson and Paul Koppe reported they would be absent from the next regular meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 pm.

PATTI BANKS, SECRETARY

Board of Directors

RICK MALONEY, PRESIDENT

Board of Directors

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