



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MARCH 9, 2009**

A regular meeting of the Olympia School District Board of was called to order by President Carolyn Barclift at 6:32 p.m. on Monday, March 9, 2009, at the Knox Administrative Center, 1113 Legion Way SE, Olympia, WA 98501. Directors Mark Campeau, Eileen Thomson and Frank Wilson, Student Representative David Hoekje, and Superintendent Bill Lahmann, also were present. Director Allen Miller joined the meeting in progress.

President Barclift led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENTATION**

In recognition of Classified Employees Week, March 9-13, 2009, Beth Scouler, Director of Human Resources, acknowledged the invaluable contributions of our classified staff: administrative, grounds and maintenance, custodial, transportation, food service—the many dedicated individuals who support our students and our District.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

President Barclift asked for an amendment of the minutes of February 23, 2009, to add a sentence on page three, paragraph two, to read: “This trip would be at no cost to the District.”

**DIRECTOR THOMSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 23, 2009, AS AMENDED. DIRECTOR WILSON SECONDED. FOUR AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

There were no audience members who wished to speak about agenda items or under Community Comment.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**DIRECTOR WILSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. DIRECTOR CAMPEAU SECONDED. FOUR AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**1 SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

**1.1 Board Meeting Schedule**

- Monday, March 16, 6:30 pm, **Study Session (2009-2010 Budget)**, Knox Center
- Monday, March 23, 6:30 pm, **Regular Board Meeting**, ORLA
- Thursday, March 26, 6:30-8:30pm, **Study Session (Leadership)**, Knox Center CR301
- Monday, April 20, 6:30pm, **Regular Board Meeting**, Knox Center
- Thursday, April 23, 6:30-8:30pm, **Study Session (Leadership)**, Knox Center CR301
- Monday, April 27, 6:30pm, **Study Session (2009-2010 Budget)**, Knox Center
- Monday, May 11, 6:30pm, **Regular Board Meeting**, Knox Center
- Monday, May 18, 6:30pm, **Study Session (2009-2010 Budget)**, Knox Center
- Thursday, May 21, 6:30-8:30pm, **Study Session (Leadership)**, Knox Center CR301
- Tuesday, May 26, 6:30 pm, **Regular Board Meeting**, Lincoln ES

## **2 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

### **2.1 Certificated Personnel Report\***

The Board approved one retirement and one leave of absence:

#### **RETIREMENT**

**Vaughn, Johanna** – English at Olympia High School. Approved retirement effective the end of the 2008-09 school year.

#### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**Bosch, Tonya** – Nurse at Lincoln, McKenny and Roosevelt Elementary Schools. Approved a leave of absence beginning February 18, 2009 through the remainder of the school year.

## **3 CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL**

### **3.1 Classified Personnel Report\***

The Board approved the Classified Personnel Report of March 9, 2009.

## **4 PUPILS & PROGRAMS**

### **4.1 Overnight Field Trip Requests**

The Board approved the following overnight field trips:

- **CHS** – Bellevue, WA; State DECA Competition; meetings, workshops and competitive events designed to apply skills and knowledge learned in marketing class; 10 students, one teacher, two parent chaperones; March 5-7, 2009.
- **OHS** – Bellevue, WA; State DECA Competition; meetings, workshops and competitive events designed to apply skills and knowledge learned in marketing class; 41 students, one teacher, three parent chaperones; March 5-7, 2009.
- **OHS** – Bellingham (WWU) and Ellensburg (CWU), WA; private band clinic for Wind Ensemble at WWU, and Band Festival at CWU; 53 students, one teacher, 3 parent chaperones; March 5-7, 2009.

### **4.2 Instructional Materials**

The Board acknowledged the list of recommended materials for review. The materials will be available in the K-12 Teaching & Learning office until the March 23<sup>rd</sup> Board meeting.

## **8 FINANCES**

### **8.1 Approval of Vouchers**

The Board approved cancelled vouchers totaling \$101,474.44, and the following expenditures: Associated Student Body Fund Voucher Nos. 31048 through 31078, in the total amount of \$46,795.00; Capital Projects Voucher Nos. 10142 through 10152, in the total amount of \$78,488.91; and General Fund Voucher Nos. 144221 through 144356, in the total amount of \$495,544.16.

### **8.2 Financial Report – January 2009**

The Board approved the January 2009 Revenue & Expenditure Reports for the Associated Student Body, Capital Projects, Debt Service, General and Transportation Vehicle Funds.

### **8.3 Gifts to the District**

The Board approved the following gift:

**February 2009, \$2,000.00 to Olympia High School from Capital City Marathon Association for student track program.**

REGULAR AGENDA

**4 PUPILS & PROGRAMS**

**4.1 REPORT ON IN-SERVICE DAY – MARCH 6, 2009**

Kevin Evoy, Assistant Superintendent, K-12 Teaching & Learning, introduced a report to the Board on the district-wide in-service day, Friday, March 6, 2009. Superintendent Lahmann shared his presentation from the kickoff of a K-8 Reading and Vocabulary workshop. Michael Havens, Professional Development Coordinator for the District, shared more about the Reading and Vocabulary workshop, and about the many other workshops held throughout the District.

Director Thomson spoke about her attendance at the “Friend-to-Friend” workshop, sponsored by the District and held March 6 and 7, 2009, to promote awareness of the challenges faced by students on the autism spectrum. One highlight she noted was focused on empowering typically-developing students to have empathy for autistic students and alert to their particular affinity. She spoke enthusiastically about the program and asked for a review of progress toward implementation in the District. There were approximately 60 attendees at the workshop, with about 50% from OSD.

**8 FINANCE**

**8.1 FINANCIAL REPORT REVIEW – JANUARY 2009**

Jim Crawford, Assistant Superintendent, Fiscal & Operations, provided a review of the January 2009 Revenue & Expenditure Reports for the Associated Student Body, Capital Projects, Debt Service, General and Transportation Vehicle Funds.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT / HOT TOPICS**

Superintendent Lahmann reported that Capital High School was able to hold two periods today before sending students home as a result of snow accumulation. Staff has created Capital Academy, a series of extended learning opportunities/activities for before and after school, and on Saturdays. Next Saturday will be a make-up day for seniors, working on culminating projects, high-school-and-beyond projects, etc. Testing on the roof trusses begins the end of this week, with results not available until about mid-April.

Director Wilson suggested Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup> or Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 for a meeting with the Olympia Education Association, as has been contemplated for some time. He will check with David Johnston, OEA president, to determine their preference. Following a meeting of approximately one hour with OEA representatives, the Board will discuss other topics, to be determined.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Director Wilson reported on his visit with Garfield Elementary School, and Director Miller reported on his participation in Star Night at Roosevelt Elementary School.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bill Lahmann, Superintendent

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Carolyn M. Barclift, President

*A full recording of the Board meeting is available on the OSD website: <http://osd.wednet.edu>. Click on “Board of Directors,” then on “Board Meeting Podcast,” and follow the instructions for downloading the appropriate meeting.*