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School Board of Directors - Regular Board Meeting  
March 27, 2014  
302 N. Church St. Montesano  
Minutes

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Regular Board Meeting: Call to Order 5:30 pm. Steve Poler called the meeting to order and a quorum was established with the following board members in attendance; Steve Poler, Caleb Backholm, Dick Stone and Jack Dwyer  
Board Member(s) not in attendance: Mike Lawr

Flag Salute: Steve Poler led the flag salute.

Approval of Meeting Agenda: Approved as written; motion passed, seconded; motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Teaching and Learning:

Skills Center: Lynn Green, Career and Technical Educational Director from the Aberdeen School District, provided an overview of the Skills Center and it's program offerings, program criteria and program successes. The Skills Center in cooperation with ten other area schools, offers career and technical courses not otherwise offered with core subjects in public schools for students interested in a vocational career path. Some course work provides a certification while others prepare students for advanced placement in a field of study in college. She further discussed the 'Business Week' held in Montesano and complimented the program and the participating students and staff.

Board members expressed the need to ensure the program is marketed and communicated to parents.

Highly Capable: Shawn Brown, Student Services Director, provided a description of the program revisions for the Highly Capable program with regard to the new state regulations and funding. In addition, he shared the various models and future vision of the program. A discussion took place on the types of models and how the district would achieve implementing a new K-12 model.

Business Operations Report:

Superintendent Winter shared with the board that the monthly budget status report was sent to the board in their board packets for review. He further discussed the change in Title funding and the impact on our district.

Consent Agenda:

Corrected Minutes - Regular Meeting, January 23, 2014		
Regular Meeting Minutes - February 27, 2014		
Payroll & Benefits	No. 610111-610164	\$849,453.11
General Fund	No. 610165, 610167-610274, 610314	\$160,722.04
ASB	No. 610166, 610277-610313, 610315	\$ 16,118.27
Capital Projects	No. 610276	\$110,977.83
Transportation Vehicle Fund	No. 610275	\$ 30,000.00

A motion was passed to approve the consent agenda as presented; motion carried.

**Personnel Report:**

Aaron Cleverly	Asst. Baseball Coach	Recommendation to Hire	one position, splitting stipend
Patrick Papac	Asst. Baseball Coach	Recommendation to Hire	
Jim Reynolds	Asst. Boys Soccer Coach	Recommendation to Hire	
Lucas Wisdom	Asst. Girls Softball Coach	Recommendation to Hire	
Kathy Krueger	Bus Driver	Resignation	

The board announced they would approve each position separately.

A motion was passed to approve the hire of Aaron Cleverly; motion carried.

A motion was passed to approve the hire of Patrick Papac; motion carried.

A motion was passed to approve the hire of Jim Reynolds; motion carried.

A motion was passed to approve the hire of Lucas Wisdom; motion carried.

A motion was passed to accept the resignation of Kathy Krueger; motion carried.

**Business Action/Discussion Items:**

Fund Balance Board Policy #6022 - First Reading. This policy is being presented to the board for first reading to revise the language and discuss an increase in the fund balance goal. The current policy was established in 2009 when the board declared a 5% goal to be reached by 2012-13 school year. The district has exceeded this goal with an average fund balance close to 7%. The state recommends 10%. The board discussed the pros and cons and debated the necessity of an increase.

Asset Preservation Program (APP) Annual Report - The APP annual report on Simpson School is presented to the board for review on an annual basis. Action is not required. OSPI's Educational Data Systems program is used to store the district's building information, building condition and offers a rating and evaluation system. The state requires districts to use this system on buildings that were constructed using state matching funds. Any remaining buildings will be required to be entered into the data base in coming years.

Resolution 395-14 - Grandstand Replacement Project Acceptance of Completion – Board action is required to accept the project completion per state statute. A motion was passed to accept resolution 395-14 as presented; motion carried.

2014-2015 School Calendar - A brief discussion took place on training days, weather days and the last day of school. A motion was passed to accept the proposed 2014-15 school calendar as presented; motion carried.

Strategic Plan - Discussion on the district's plan document which was designed to communicate to the board and the public the district's vision, student achievement, resource management, eliminating barriers, technology and targeted goals. The document would be also used as the district's score card as required by the State. The board requested to set up a work study session to review the plan on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. The meeting will be advertised as a public meeting.

Public Comment: Topics included increasing the fund balance to 7% and clarification on the new Hi-Cap K-12 program proposal. Dan Thomas, teacher and co-president of MEA, shared his viewpoint on the fund balance debate and expressed being in favor of the increase. April Pocklington, Media Specialist for the district, clarified for the board the communication process that is conducted each year to educate students and families on the Skills Center program course offerings that are available. This includes, but is not limited to, counselors meeting with students, surveys that are conducted and mailers that are sent to residences each summer for fall program offerings.

Superintendent's Report:

Senior Boards: Project ME/senior boards presentations were very impressive. Appreciation given to April Pocklington for her work on this program.

Culminating Project: The State has changed graduation requirements and the culminating project will no longer be required. The program is believed to be important for our students and a discussion will take place on determining what the next steps will be in maintaining the program, making changes or eliminating it.

Facilities: Beacon and Simpson schools now have new campuses/updated facilities. The district needs to review next steps for the Jr/Sr High school, the gymnasium and the district office for safety and security. An example of the problem items include carpet replacement, security cameras, interior doors replacement, moving the weight room due to limited space and amount of weight in the weight room. In addition the gym and district office have outdated plumbing. Future discussions will include moving the weight room and running a bond or capital levy. A rough estimate to complete the projects would be 3.5 million. Dick Stone suggested to talk with the drama coach regarding stage needs when the discussions take place.

Board Comments Included: Highly Capable program and the Skills Center program; appreciation for the presentations. Legislative results were listed in length to include budget, graduation requirements, class size, all day kindergarten, pre-school, homeless kids, summer programs, low achieving kids, suicide prevention, math/science credit, school directors training on public records, board agenda communication requirements, collective bargaining agreements on website, student growth/teacher eval/Title I waiver. Additional comments included Business Week and Project ME and how impressed the board is with the Montesano students.

Adjournment 7:20 pm: There being no further business, a motion was passed to adjourn the meeting; motion carried.

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Board Chair

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Board Secretary