

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Port Townsend School District was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board Chair John Eissinger at the Lincoln Building, 450 Fir Street, Port Townsend, WA. Present were Board members John Eissinger, Beth Young, Loren Monroe and Tracy Reinhart. Also present were Superintendent Thomas A. Opstad and Business Manager Steve McIntire. The agenda was revised by moving the Reports of the Superintendent to follow the consent agenda, and moving board member comments and announcements to prior to Executive Session. This was done because two Board members needed to leave the board meeting early. The group discussed the proposed budget for the 2007-2008 school year. Discussion followed.

At 6:55 p.m. Mr. Eissinger called for board comments on setting dates for a study/work session with the facilities group, meeting dates for accounts payable in July and August, and a Board/Administrator retreat in August. The dates discussed were as follows:

- Facilities Work/Study session – July 19, 2007, at 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Board Room.
- July Accounts Payable meeting – July 27th at 12:00 p.m. in the Business Office.
- Board/Administrator Retreat – August 23rd from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Board Room.
- August Accounts Payable meeting – August 24 at 12:00 p.m. in the Business Office.

Tracy Reinhart was excused at 7:00 p.m. The Board recessed for Executive Session, where they discussed contracts and personnel. The regular meeting convened at 7:30 p.m. Also present were district staff and a member of the community.

Mr. Eissinger announced the following revisions to the agenda and consent agenda: ADD: recommend the employment of Patrick Kane for the Assistant Principal position at the High School for the 2007-08 school year; ADD: Budget Status Report – May 2007; TABLE: What's Good in the District;" TABLE: Policy review. Mr. Eissinger also stated that the remaining items would be taken out of order, in order to do action items first.

There was no correspondence.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the June 11, 2007, Regular Board meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Beth Young and seconded by Loren Monroe. Motion carried 3-0.

The Board reviewed the Revised Agenda and Consent Agenda. Mr. Eissinger stated that Tracy Reinhart had reviewed accounts payable and had no questions. Motion to approve the revised consent agenda was made by Loren Monroe and seconded by Beth Young. Motion carried 3-0.

Included in the Consent Agenda were: 1) Accounts Payable as of June 25, 2007; 2) Recommend the employment of certificated administrators for the 2007-08 school year as per attached list; 3) Recommend the employment of Patrick Kane for the Assistant Principal position at the High School for the 2007-08 school year; 4) Recommend change for Gail Danner from 1.0 FTE 8th grade math teacher to 1.0 FTE High School math teacher for the 2007-08 school year; 5) Recommend change for Scott Lundh from 1.0 FTE leave replacement contract to 1.0 FTE continuing contract for the 2007-08 school year; 6) Recommend the employment of Darlene Flanagan for the .4 FTE Speech Language Pathologist leave replacement job-share position for the 2007-08 school year; 7) Recommend the employment of Laura Moore for the .4 FTE Speech Language Pathologist leave replacement job-share position for the 2007-08 school year; 8) Recommend the employment of classified administrators for the 2007-08 school year as per attached personnel action list; 9) Recommend the employment of non-represented classified District Office staff for the 2007-08 school year per the attached personnel action list; 10) Accept the resignation of Wenkie Schultz as Mt. View Elementary School Secretary effective June 28, 2007; 11) Accept the resignation of Jennifer Foster Krajack as Administrative Secretary for the Director of Learning Support Services effective June 29, 2007; 12) Accept the resignation of Donald Dobie as Middle School Assistant Football Coach effective the end of the 2006-07 school year; 13) Approve Mark Decker, Lorraine Kirsch, and Jennifer Manning to attend the 2007 OESD Summer Math Institute, August 16-17, 2007, in Bremerton, WA; 14) Request to surplus one computer from Business Education (ID# 08003) and one scanner from Business Education (ID# 08062),

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which are no longer working, outdated and unusable in the classroom, and of no value to the district; 15) Approve the agreement between Port Townsend School District and Olympic ESD 114 for OESD 114 to provide NovaNet online services for the 2007-2008 school year.

During Public Comments Tom Thiersch asked a question about the revenues and expenditures to the district for the city operating the pool. He suggested that the district contact the Jefferson County Administrator and ask to be notified when the County surpluses office equipment, perhaps offering a viable cost-savings option for the district. Mr. Thiersch suggested a “use it or lose it” policy regarding carryover for professional development funds for teachers be considered during the next contract negotiations.

There were no Board Member comments.

Superintendent Opstad provided a preliminary report on 10th grade WASL scores, stating that the scores were similar to last year. In looking at the class of 2008, nearly all students have met the standard in reading and writing. Discussed the need to develop a policy for the circumstance of a senior re-taking a section of the WASL in order to graduate, but not getting the score back until after commencement. Should the senior be allowed to walk in commencement? The Board also commented that this scenario might also affect the student’s college entrance.

Superintendent Opstad presented Resolution 07-05: Approve Health Benefits Increase/Salary Increase for Certificated Staff for the 2007-08 SY. After discussion, a motion was made by Beth Young and seconded by Loren Monroe to approve Resolution 07-05. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Monroe was excused at 7:42 p.m.

Superintendent Opstad presented the results of the recent student sports survey. He commented that the process went smoothly using an online survey tool, and suggested that the district may wish to survey students yearly. Discussion followed.

Superintendent Opstad reported on the Chamber Mixer that was sponsored by the school district on Wednesday, June 20, 2007, in the high school library.

Steve McIntire presented the May Budget Status report. Discussion followed.

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Superintendent Opstad presented the Calendar of Events. Mr. Eissinger requested that the 6:00 p.m. Work/Study session on July 9th be scheduled for the Superintendent’s evaluation.

Mr. Eissinger announced the next community meeting to discuss a new elementary facility will be held on June 28, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. at the Blue Heron Middle School Commons. Beth Young stated she will be unable to attend that meeting.

Ms. Young suggested that Board members save their policy packet from this meeting and bring it to the July 9th meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas A. Opstad, Superintendent

ATTEST: _____
John Eissinger, Board Chairman