



San Juan Island School District Regular Meeting

Tuesday, December 17, 2024

5:00 pm Open public meeting, high school library

MINUTES

Directors Present: Brian Moore, T.J. Heller, John Kurtz, Melanie Hess, and Barbara Bevens

Superintendent Present: Fred Woods

ASB Representative: Not present

Admin or Presenter Present: Andrea Hillman, Holly Wehner, Becky Bell, José Domenech

Observers Present: Two community members

Recording Secretary: Diana Fearn

CALL TO ORDER Convene 5:00 pm

1.01 Establishment of Quorum - The regular school board meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. at the high school library. A quorum was established with Directors Barbara Bevens, T.J. Heller, John Kurtz, Melanie Hess, and Brian Moore.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance – The pledge of allegiance was recited.

1.03 Approval of Agenda – There were no changes to the agenda. Director Bevens considered the agenda approved.



1.04 Approval of Prior Board Meeting Minutes (Exhibit)(Action) – Director Hess requested that the meeting minutes from the November 21st special board meeting be edited to correctly reflect that Director Moore did not attend the November 21st special board meeting. There were no other changes to the prior board meeting minutes. Director Kurtz moved for approval of the minutes from the November 26th regular board meeting, November 21st special board meeting (with Director Hess' edit), and December 6th special board meeting. Director Moore seconded the motion. The Board vote was unanimously in favor of approving the minutes.



1.05 Annual Organization Meeting/Election of Officers (Exhibit)(Action) – According to Policy 1210: "At the first regular meeting at which newly-elected board members are seated in election years and at the first regular meeting in December in non-election years, the board will elect from among its members a chair and a vice chair to serve one-year terms." The Board nominated and elected officers according to roll call vote in accordance with Policy 1210.

Board Chair Bevens called for nominations for Board Chair. Director Moore nominated Director Bevens for Board Chair. Director Hess seconded the motion. Director Bevens accepted the nomination. The roll call votes were as follows:

Director Hess – aye

Director Bevens – aye

Director Heller – aye

Director Kurtz – aye

Director Moore - aye

The board vote was unanimously in favor of Director Bevens continuing as the Board Chair. Board Chair Bevens then opened the nominations for Vice Chair. Board Director Bevens nominated Director Moore. Director Heller seconded the motion. Director Moore accepted the nomination. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Hess - aye

Director Bevens - aye

Director Heller - aye

Director Kurtz - aye

Director Moore - aye

The board vote was unanimously in favor of Director Moore continuing as the Vice Chair. Board Chair Bevens then opened the nominations for Legislative Representative. Director Bevens nominated Director Heller. Director Moore seconded the motion. Director Heller accepted the nomination. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Hess - aye

Director Bevens - aye

Director Heller - aye

Director Kurtz - aye

Director Moore - aye

The board vote was unanimously in favor of Director Heller continuing as the Legislative Representative. Board Chair Bevens then opened the nominations for WIAA Representative. Director Moore nominated Director Hess. Director Kurtz seconded the motion. Director Hess accepted the nomination. The roll call vote was as follows:

Director Hess - aye

Director Bevens - aye

Director Heller - aye

Director Kurtz - aye

Director Moore - aye

The board vote was unanimously in favor of Director Hess becoming the WIAA Representative.

1.06 Public Comment – There were no public comments.

SUPERINTENDENT

2.01 Superintendent's Report (Information) – Superintendent Fred Woods shared information about the December 6th legislative meetings and observing classes at Stuart Island School via Zoom.

2.02 ASB Representative's Report (Information) – Superintendent Fred Woods read ASB Representative Mia Germain's ASB report aloud. Students have been active in supporting our community; the Key Club raised over 600 lbs. of food for Thanksgiving and almost 10 students volunteered for community service over the holidays. Basketball, Wrestling, and Cheer have begun and students will be gearing up for finals after winter break. Finally, the Eco Club has recently gone on a few field trips around the island in order to do research.

BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS



3.01 Consent Agenda (Exhibit)(Action) – All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered by the governing board to be routine and subject to one motion and vote. Directors may request specific items be discussed in more detail or deleted from the Consent Agenda. These items may include the payroll register, accounts payable (AP) check registers, meeting minutes, personnel changes, contracts or grants and other items of business considered routine in nature.

The Consent Agenda included one payroll register (November) in the amount of \$1,266,558.62, and five accounts payable check registers representing General

Fund expenditures in the amount of \$203,404.60, Capital Fund expenditures in the amount of \$19,550.96, and Associated Student Body expenditures in the amount of \$631.04, and voids in the amount of \$1,670.73.

Gifts and Donations (over \$500.00)

Funding Provider: San Juan Island Rotary Club
 Recipient of Funding: Friday Harbor High School
 Description: Supports the STEAM program
 Amount: \$7,000

Grants and Contracts (over \$3,000.00)

Funding Provider: Air Quality Zero Emission School Bus Grant Program
 Recipient of Funding: San Juan Island School District
 Description: Assistance towards the purchase of an electric bus
 Amount: \$190,113.64

Funding Provider: San Juan Island School District
 Recipient of Funding: Noel Treat
 Description: Title IX Investigation Decision Maker
 Amount: \$300/hour, not to exceed 20 hours

Director Moore moved for approval of the consent agenda. Director Kurtz seconded the motion. The Board vote was unanimous.

3.02 Monthly Finance Report (Exhibit)(Information) – Finance Director

José Domenech presented to the Board the monthly budget report through November 2024 and the December enrollment. Director Heller sought clarification on how the previous QZAB board repayments are recorded in the financial documents presented to the board.

SCHOOL BOARD



4.01 Board Policy Changes – Revisions and New Policy (Exhibit)(Action) – The Board was requested to review and approve the WSSDA recommended revisions to board policy 3205 and 5011 as well as the adoption of WSSDA recommended board policy 2124. Director Heller moved for approval of the policy revisions and new policy. Director Kurtz seconded the motion. Director Heller then shared concern with wording in policy 5011. Specifically, he requested that the word 'including' in the statement "The district will not make any pre-employment inquiry as to the marital status of an applicant for employment, including whether such applicant is "Miss or Mrs." should be changed to 'for example.' Director Heller made a motion to accept the policy revisions and new policy with the change noted above. Director Bevens seconded the motion. The Board vote was unanimous.

4.02 Additional Director Reports (Information) – Director Heller provided information about the joint legislative efforts of the island school districts and noted that Superintendent Woods and Directors Kurtz and Heller will be attending the annual WASA Legislative Conference on January 11th and 12th.

4.03 Review of 2024-2025 Board Calendar (Exhibit)(Information) – It was clarified that there is a special executive session board meeting and a regular meeting on January 29, 2025.


ADJOURNMENT

5.01 Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 pm.

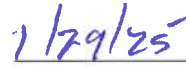
Next Meetings:

Special Executive Session – January 29, 2025, high school library

Regular School Board Meeting – January 29, 2025, high school library



Fred Woods, Superintendent
Secretary to the Board



Date



Barbara Bevens, Board Chair