



San Juan Island School District Regular Meeting

Wednesday, Aug 25, 2021

5:00 pm Open public meeting, "Zoom" electronic meeting in accordance with WA State Governor's "Stay at Home" Order #20-28.5 with the option of in-person attendance.

MINUTES

Directors Present: Barbara Bevens, Sarah Werling-Sandwith, Brian Moore, John Kurtz and TJ Heller

Superintendent Present: Fred Woods

Admin or Presenter Present: In person - Becky Bell, Holly Wehner, Rod Turnbull, Jose Domenech

Present through login: 3 members of the public via zoom webinar

Present in person: Becky Shanks, Terresa Sundstrom, Jill Peacock, Susan Stehn,

Recording Secretary: Maude Cumming

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. through the electronic platform "Zoom", in accordance with WA State Governor's "Stay at Home" Order #20-28.5 due to the coronavirus state and national emergency. The meeting was also open to the public on a pre-registration basis. A quorum was established with Directors Barbara Bevens, Sarah Werling-Sandwith, T.J. Heller, John Kurtz and Brian Moore.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance

1.03 Recognition of Retirees - The Board and Superintendent recognized and thanked the following retiring staff:

- ❖ Becky Shanks, Special Education Teacher for 21.5 years of teaching in public schools, 19.5 of which were in San Juan Island School District.
- ❖ Jill Peacock, Friday Harbor Elementary School Secretary 26.5 years of working at San Juan Island School District.

Mr. Woods spoke eloquently and affectionately and presented each with recognition awards.

1.03 Approval of Agenda - There were no changes requested for the agenda. Board Chair Bevens considered the agenda approved.

1.04 Public Comment - Public comments were accepted ahead of the meeting in written format and welcomed verbally from those in the Zoom meeting and anyone present in-person. David Robison had submitted a comment ahead of time to be read by the Board Chair. Mr. Robison requested that the "Board, Superintendent and Principals do more to encourage the school and larger community to mask and get vaccinated...", and also requested confirmation that the District's schools are following the Department of Health's requirements for athletics.

SUPERINTENDENT **2.01 Superintendent's Report (Information)** - Superintendent Fred Woods expressed excitement for the upcoming opening of schools. He described the mitigating measures captured in the COVID-19 School Guidance handbook, posted on the website. He also shared up to date information about the vaccination mandate

from the governor's office and shared that the district would be providing Rapid Antigen COVID testing on campus for staff and students (with consent from the student's parents or guardians). He also reported that sports will be back on the normal seasonal schedules and that the tennis court reconstruction is underway.

BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS



3.01 Consent Agenda (Exhibits)(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 (July) in the amount of \$879,386.28, and four accounts payable check registers representing General Fund expenditures in the amount of \$97,456.23, and Capital Projects Fund expenditures in the amount of \$60,067.77, and Private Purpose Trust Fund expenditures in the amount of \$4,241.18.

Personnel Report

Hires:

- Whitney Kerr - Office Manager ES
- Stacey Bray - Para Educator MS
- Scott Totten - Para Educator ES
- Jeanna Rheinberger - Secretary ES
- Alana Huntmer - Para Educator ES
- Kimberly Albert - Para Educator MS
- Jennifer O'Neil - Para Educator

Separations:

- Jill Peacock - Secretary ES
- Jenni Merritt - Drama Director HS/MS
- Jordan Higgins - Para Educator

Also exhibited for approval were the minutes of the regular board meeting from July 28, 2021. In addition, Board Chair Bevins read the details of the "bid rejection memo" for the STEM Art classroom remodel, presented for board approval.

Director Kurtz moved for approval of the consent agenda. Director Sandwith seconded the motion. The board vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

3.02 Monthly Budget and Enrollment Report (Exhibit)(Information) - Finance Director José Domenech presented to the Board the Monthly Budget Report through July 2021.

SCHOOL BOARD



4.01 Approval of Policy Revisions, BP 1822, 2108, 2418 and 2420 (Exhibits)(Action) - The Board was requested to approve WSSDA recommended revisions to the following board policies. The Superintendent recommended approval of these policy revisions.

- 1822 - Training and Development for Board Members
- 2108 - Learning Assistant Program
- 2418 - Waiver of High School Graduation Credits
- 2420 - Grading and Progress Reports

Director Kurtz moved for approval of all revisions. Director Moore seconded the motion. The board vote was unanimous. The motion passed.



4.02 Approval of Policy Revisions, BP 3116, 3122, 3231 and 3520 (Exhibits)(Action) -

The Board was requested to approve WSSDA recommended revisions to the following board policies. The Superintendent recommended approval of these policy revisions.

- 3116 - Students in Foster Care
- 3122 - Excused and Unexcused Absences
- 3231 - Student Records
- 3520 - Student Fines, Fees, or Charges

Director Moore moved for approval of all revisions. Director Bevens seconded the motion. The board vote was unanimous. The motion passed.



4.03 Approval of Policy Revisions, BP 5011 and 6800 (Exhibits)(Action) -

The Board was requested to approve WSSDA recommended revisions to the following board policies. The Superintendent recommended approval of these policy revisions.

- 5011 - Sexual Harassment of District Staff Prohibited
- 6800 - Safety Operations and Maintenance of School Property (both old and new policies exhibited)

Director Kurtz moved for approval of all revisions. Director Sandwith seconded the motion. The board vote was unanimous. The motion passed.



4.04 Adoption of New Board Policies BP 5515 and 5520 (Exhibits)(Action) -

The Board was requested to adopt two new WSSDA recommended policies. The Superintendent recommended adoption of these policies.

- 5515 - Workforce Secondary Traumatic Stress
- 5520 - Staff Development

Director Sandwith moved for approval of all revisions. Director Kurtz seconded the motion. The board vote was unanimous. The motion passed. The Superintendent commented that Policy 5515 requires that a committee be developed to support workforce stability and that an annual report would be added to the board calendar in late winter or early spring.



4.05 Additional Director Reports -

Director Heller shared the scheduled WSSDA Directors meeting. Director Sandwith shared that there would be a Small Schools advisory legislative review on September 9th. Director Kurtz made a statement about the pandemic adding to community divisiveness and encouraging all to stay united and work together for the benefit of students.

4.06 Review of 2020-2021 Board Calendar (Exhibit)(Action) -

The Board was requested to approve the 2021-2022 Board Calendar. Director Kurtz moved for approval of the policy revisions. Director Sandwith seconded the motion.

The board vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

5.01 Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 5:46 pm.

Next Meeting:

Regular School Board Meeting - Wed Sep 29, 2021, Zoom meeting

Fred Woods, Superintendent
Secretary to the Board

Date

Barbara Bevens, Chair