

Vashon Island School District No. 402
MINUTES of March 24, 2016
Presented for Approval on, April 6, 2016

Board Members Present:

Bob Hennessey -Chair
Dan Chasan –Excused Absence
Zabette Macomber
Toby Holmes
Steve Ellison

Superintendent:

Michael Soltman

Note: Statements in these minutes are not taken verbatim, but are reflective of the intent and/or content of the discussions. A recording of the meeting is available.

Call to Order/Pledge:

Bob Hennessey called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda:

Zabette Macomber moved to approve the Agenda and Steve Ellison seconded the motion.

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Minutes: (No Items)

Public Comment:

Laura Wishik:

Commented on March 16, 2016 strategic planning event. Recommended district have staff members communicate importance of teacher planning time and professional development days to the public.

Superintendent Report:

- Michael Soltman presented the Washington State Auditors Final Report 2014-2015.
 - Matt Sullivan commented on clean audit.
- Soundings Update
 - Michael Soltman presented a draft of "Soundings" that will be in the mail April 4 and 5th.
- Michael Soltman asked board members to pick the date for the next Exempt Session for VEA negotiations and the board decided 6:30pm-7:15pm on Thursday, March 31.

Board Member Remarks:

Steve Ellison:

- Commented on the March 16 strategic planning session and made a recommendation

- to focus on higher functioning and average students.
- Commented on the student support of Vashon School District compared to Seattle School District.

Zabette Macomber:

- Commented on March 16 strategic planning session.
- Commented on attending VARSA cyberbullying parent education event.

Michael Soltman:

- Commented on a Parent Education section on the district website as a resource.

Personnel:

A. Certificated:

1. Hire: Rebecca Goertzel; CES Principal 1.0 FTE; Effective July 1, 2016
 - Michael Soltman introduced Rebecca Goertzel and gave a brief biography.
 - Zabette Macomber commented on the interview and selection process.

Zabette Macomber moved to approve Personnel item #A1 and Toby Holmes seconded the motion.

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B. Travel Stipend:

1. Raeanna Mason; Student Trip to Japan April 9-17, 2016; Stipend per VEA negotiations.

Zabette Macomber moved to approve the Personnel item #B1 and Steve Ellison seconded the motion.

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Decision Items:

A. Proposed Policy Revisions:

Michael Soltman presented proposed revisions to listed policies for board discussion

- Policy No. 4010 –Civility (Community Relations)

Steve Ellison moved to approve Policy No. 4010 –Civility and Toby Holmes seconded the motion.

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- Policy No. 5015 –Civility (Personnel)

Steve Ellison moved to approve Policy No. 5015 –Civility and Zabette Macomber seconded the motion.

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Reports:

A. Vashon School History Presentation

Mike Kirk with the Vashon-Maury Heritage Association presented a Vashon Schools History Presentation for board review.

- “Schools Through the Windows of History-How Schools Unified the Island” exhibition will open at the Vashon-Maury Heritage Association on April 1, 2016 – September.

B. Laura Wishik's Bond Survey Results

Laura Wishik presented key findings from her Bond Survey Results for board review.

- Laura Wishik reviewed survey results and gave recommendations to successfully pass another bond.
- Bob Hennessey opened the floor for public comments.
- John Candy (public comment): Thanked Laura Wishik for her work with the committee and made comments on the bond election.

C. Budget Status and Enrollment Reports

Matt Sullivan presented the Budget Status and Enrollment Reports for board review.

- Matt Sullivan reviewed reports.
- Board commented on dashboard presentation.

Discussion Items:

A. Policy No. 2255 –Alternative Learning Experience Programs

Michael Soltman presented Policy No. 2255 –Alternative Learning Experience Programs for board discussion.

- Michael Soltman reviewed changes.
- An annual report of Alternative Learning Experience will be presented during an April board meeting.
- Board discussed the anticipated enrollment of ALE programs for next year.

B. Budget Planning -1st Draft of Revenue/Expense and Fund Balance Projections

Matt Sullivan presented a 1st Draft of Revenue/Expense and Fund Balance Projections for board review.

- Matt Sullivan reviewed numbers and commented that the numbers are not final and that the Legislature is still in session.
- Additional state funds are earmarked for full day kindergarten and a 1.8% cola increase for teacher salaries.
- Board conducted a discussion on the projections presented.

C. Bond Planning Next Steps

Board conducted a discussion on Bond Planning Next Steps.

- Michael Soltman reviewed a draft timeline and decision matrix.
- Michael Soltman recommended the board make a plan to conduct a discussion on how to involve the community in bond planning.
- Michael Soltman presented a list of Master Plan Phase II –List of Facility Deficiencies.
- Michael Soltman asked the board to have a discussion to clarify a final election date and create a timeline from there.
- Michael Soltman presented a list of questions for board to discuss and clarify the scope of the planning.
- John Candy (public comment)commented on the public impression of the last bond election and what might be important to passing the next bond.

- Board conducted a discussion on the importance of coming together as a board with determining priorities and agreement on the process for the next bond.
- Michael Soltman recommended the board conduct a discussion at the April 6 board meeting on what the community process will be, target an initial election date to create a timeline, and create a list of priorities.
- Board conducted a discussion on importance of community involvement to determine priorities and will discuss further at the next board meeting.

Contracts:

Rebecca Goertzel; CES Principal Transition	March 22, 2016 – June 30, 2016	Not to Exceed \$5,000.00	GF
Contract Modification; PSESD, increase in ECEAP funding level for temporary classroom assistance.	Sept 1, 2015-June 30, 2016	\$142,667 to \$145,312, an increase of \$2,645.	GF

Steve Ellison made a motion to approve Contracts and Zabette Macomber seconded the motion.

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Consent Agenda:

- A. General Fund, Associated Student Body Fund, Capital Fund Vouchers, Payroll
- Associated Student Body AP Warrants Check Number #401680 - #401686 =\$5,232.71
 - Associated Student Body AP Warrants Check Number #401687 - #401693 =\$1,659.93
 - Associated Student Body AP Warrants Check Number #401694 - #401699 =\$2,583.40
 - Associated Student Body AP Warrants Check Number #401700 - #401707 =\$7,148.85
 - Associated Student Body AP Warrants Check Number #401708 - #401718 =\$27,771.40
 - General Fund AP Warrants Check Number #129466 - #129513 =\$67,997.31
 - General Fund AP Warrants Check Number #129514 - #129558 =\$108,779.21
 - General Fund AP Warrants Check Number #129559 - #129610 =\$115,204.54
 - General Fund AP Warrants Check Number #129611 - #129637 =\$50,380.19
 - General Fund AP Warrants Check Number #129638 - #129702 =\$124,761.51
 - Payroll Wire transfers Check Number #201500048 - #201500050 =\$12,838.45
 - Payroll Wire transfers Check Number #201500051 - #201500052 =\$686.15
 - Payroll Wire transfers Check Number #201500053 - #201500055 =\$803,608.28
 - Payroll Vendor AP Warrants Check Number #302992 - #303024 =\$415,801.17
 - Payroll Vendor AP Warrants Check Number #8884 - #8884 =\$13,998.94
 - Payroll Vendor AP Warrants Check Number #8885 - #8889 =\$1,219,966.68

Steve Ellison made a motion to approve Consent Agenda and Zabette Macomber seconded the motion.

- Confirmed uniforms for track and basketball will be reused.
- Matt Sullivan commented that PSE Utility bills for VHS had not been received for 2012 and 2013.

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New Business:

Michael Soltman:

- Reviewed the “Board Planning Calendar”. Asked members to review and determine what is important to them.

Steve Ellison:

- Asked Michael Soltman for direction to review strategic planning items that need to be addressed by the board, and to identify changes in initiatives and action plans.

Bob Hennessey:

- Asked the board members for their recommendations on a board retreat.
 - Board conducted a discussion on having a board retreat and what they would like to accomplish. Some ideas mentioned: Review “Board Planning Calendar”; determine annual objectives and goals for Michael Soltman. Board members tentatively agreed to move forward with planning a retreat and have a further discussion to determine details.
 - Michael Soltman recommend Roger Taylor facilitate a board retreat.
 - Michael Soltman and Bob Hennessey will bring a recommendation for a board retreat to the next meeting.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

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Approved as presented.

Approved as amended.



Bob Hennessey, Chair

4/6/16

Date



Michael Soltman, Secretary

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