

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MINUTES
GRAND COULEE DAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 301J
COULEE DAM, WASHINGTON
October 22, 2007

Board Members Present: Joette Barry
Susan Chaffee
Donna DeWinkler
Carla Marconi
Jim Erickson

Student Representative: Luke Seekins

Board Members Absent:

Administrators Present: Jeff Loe
Karl Miller
Lisa Lakin
Sue Hinton

I. Call to Order

The regular board meeting was called to order by Chair Jim Erickson at 5:31 pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Agenda

It was m/s by Chaffee/Marconi and passed to approve the board agenda with the additions of Old Business H. Native American Club Advisor. Unanimous vote.

IV. Individuals wishing to speak on the Agenda items

None

V. Consent Agenda

It was m/s by Barry/Chaffee to approve the minutes for the regular board meeting held on September 24, 2007 with the change of New Business O. Headstart for liability sake, the District should request a letter from Headstart stating that they measure the space and find it adequate room for their program. Unanimous vote.

The following expenditures of the Consent Agenda were approved:

General Fund Vouchers	Warrant #'s 186-287	\$140,312.28
Payroll	Warrant #'s 186-271	\$546,529.08
LRHS ASB	Warrant #'s 49-73	\$ 8,071.29
Middle School ASB	Warrant #'s 35-48	\$ 3,182.89

VI. Old Business

A. Security Camera Policy

There was a question on the wording in paragraph four of the policy regarding the activity being monitored by the School Board Chair and the Superintendent. The discussion continued with who should approve a camera being used in a classroom, bathroom or locker room when an incident occurs. The decision was to keep School Board Chair.

It was m/s by Chaffee/Barry and passed to approve the Security Camera Policy with the to keep of school board chair. Chair Jim Erickson voted I and Donna DeWinkler and Carla Marconi voted nay.

It was m/s by Chaffee/DeWinkler and passed to approve the addition of incident recordings to the Security Camera Policy.

Jeff Loe shared with the Board the Security Camera Procedure. Donna DeWinkler handed out a one page form for review that someone would fill out when an incident happened. She said that it would stop lawsuits, harassment and false reporting from happening. Susan Chaffee agreed to the form. Discussion followed.

B. WSSDA Policy Services

Jeff Loe reported that WSSDA will be going through the 1000 series policies only. Jeff said he will be meeting with the person going through our policies on Monday, October 29, 2007 and hoped that the board could meet with them at the WSSDA meeting.

C. Bus Garage Status

Jeff Loe said that he got notice from Canfield and Associates that they received some preliminary numbers from our traveler's insurance to replace the busses. Jeff said that Canfield wasn't happy with the numbers and is going to try and fight to get us more money. He said that Canfield will help us find contractors to get the Bus Garage fixed.

D. Evergreen Assoc./Robert Brooks Lobbyist Report

Jeff Loe gave the Board an updated report from Bob Brooks. Donna DeWinkler met with Bob Brooks and asked him to see if he could get us some operating money from BPA. Donna stated that Bob said it would be quicker to get operating money rather than a new building right now and that he would get us more information in January.

E. Nesplem Representative

Jeff Loe reported that Val Vargas-Thomas is interested in being the representative. The Board agreed.

F. Wright Elementary Gym Use

Jeff Loe shared that he spoke with the Health Department and they said that if the gym was in use that the bathrooms would not have to be open. He also spoke with Larry Davidson about just heating the gym and that can not be done. There was discussion about the cost savings so far for electric/water at Wright. The Board would like to continue this discussion next month.

G. Physical Education

Jeff Loe reported that he and the administrators met with an outfit called Focused Fitness on P.E. curriculum. The coordinator will be meeting with the teachers for input. Jeff is concerned that it would take all of the teachers at Center, and four or five at the Middle School to get trained. He said that there is grant money to buy the program.

H. Native American Advisor

Joette Barry said there was a concern about not having a Native American Club Advisor. She suggested putting an ad in the newspaper again.

VII. New Business

A. District Goals and Objectives

Jeff Loe shared with the Board the goals and the objectives that have been set and if they wanted to change or update any. The majority of the Board agrees with the goals.

B. Surplus Bus Purchases

Jeff Loe reported that we have received two busses from Cashmere and would like to buy them for \$1.00 each.

It was m/s Barry/Chaffee and passed to approve the purchase of the two busses for \$1.00 each. Unanimous vote.

C. Regional WSSDA Meeting Report

Carla Marconi and Donna DeWinkler each shared the information they received at the WSSDA Regional Meeting in Omak. Carla mentioned learning the importance of Vocational Education. She said that Omak School District has partnered with the College and Community. Donna mentioned they received a good lesson on legislative procedures. She also talked about the possibility of the School District writing our own bill. Discussion followed.

D. AWSP Fall Conference Report

Lisa Lakin and Karl Miller each shared the information they learned from presentations that were done at the AWSP Fall Conference Report. Lisa talked about the importance of teachers learning to bring enthusiasm in to make math fun. Karl said that leadership is key. He said structurally we need to change education based on how students learn. He said we need to get students to change their attitude in order to change their behavior. Susan Chaffee asked if he can implement the discipline with his staff. Karl said he is working on that. Discussion followed.

E. Incident Command System Training Report

Sue Hinton reported that she went to the Incident Command System Training. She learned that every District in the state of Washington has to have their building principal certified in this no later than September 1, 2008. Discussion followed.

F. Janitorial Needs

Jeff Loe said we have been paying our custodians overtime because things are not getting done. Sue suggested combining a 6 hour position with 3 hours at Center and 3 hours at the Middle School. Donna asked how we are going to pay for it. Jeff said our enrollment is up and

we have a 7 hour employee at Center instead of an 8 hour. The Board decided to talk about this situation in executive session.

G. Approval of LRHS Reader Board

Jeff Loe said that Brad Wilson was successful in getting a five star grant and he also received money from the ASB to purchase a reader board for LRHS. Brad said that Daktronics submitted a bid and it was the lowest of three bids received. He said they are well known and have great customer service. Brad said that he is working with local vendors to get a pole installed. Carla asked if it would be in kind services for the pole. Brad said yes.

It was m/s Barry/DeWinkler and passed to approve the reader board for LRHS. Carla Marconi abstained.

H. Donations

Jeff Loe said that a donation for \$500 from the Raider/Pirate Booster club was received to fix the softball field. He also said that the ASK program donated \$637.53 to the Center school music program.

It was m/s Barry/Chaffee and passed to approve the donations. Donna DeWinkler abstained.

I. Board Member Recognition

Jeff Loe acknowledged and thanked Chair Jim Erickson for his service on the Board with a plaque. Jim stressed the importance of leadership and giving back to the community.

J. Success – Middle School Award

Lisa Lakin shared that her school received an award called the school of distinction. She said the award recognizes the top schools that have improved in the past six years on the WASL in reading and writing. She said there are only twenty Middle Schools in the state of Washington that received this award.

VIII. Personnel Items

A. Resignations

Vern Heizer, Middle School Teacher, LRHS Assistant Baseball Coach, Middle School Assistant Wrestling Coach

Bart George, LRHS Assistant Wrestling Coach

Shelly Black, Impact Aid Researcher

It was m/s Chaffee/DeWinkler and passed to approve the above listed resignations. Unanimous vote.

C. Hires

None

IX. Reports

A. Administrative

1. Principals

Center Elementary

Sue Hinton reported that her 3rd grade class usually goes to Leavenworth, but this year they decided to do something different. She said the class will be responsible for raising trout in an aquarium that is at the school. She shared that there will be a retirement party for Ray Graves, Wednesday October 24, 2007.

Grand Coulee Dam Middle School

Lisa Lakin shared a few highlights from the Middle School. She said that Fall sports are wrapping up. She said the 99% student led talent show was a great success.

Lake Roosevelt High School

Karl Miller shared a few highlights from the High School. He said that twenty new members were inducted into National Honor Society. Karl thanked the leadership class for putting on a great homecoming. He said that parent/teacher conferences are coming up in the beginning of November. Karl reported that 152 students at the High School are non compliant as far as health records go. Karl said that Cheryl Fercha notified him that they have until November 15, 2007 to get their paperwork in or they will not be able to attend school. Carla Marconi suggested having that information put on the tribal broadcast.

B. Student Director

Luke Seekins reported that Homecoming was fun. He said that the Seniors went on a field trip for CWP and planted trees at Keller Ferry. He said that the leadership class was very busy getting ready for upcoming events.

C. JOM/Title VII

Carla Marconi said that the last meeting was cancelled. She said that the next meeting will be November 19, 2007 at Center. Kim Stanger said that JOM money was funded. She said that JOM would like to hire a 2 hour after school tutor to help Center and give Shannon Rounds and Misty Krohn an extra hour per day. She said the count for Native American students for October was 410.

D. Fiscal

1. Budget Status

Jeff Loe said he is working on the year end report due on Thursday, October 25, 2007. He said we will probably finish at \$300,000, a little less than 3%.

2. Enrollment

Jeff Loe went over the enrollment report. He reported that October was a great month for enrollment. He said we are over 42 students above what is budgeted. He said we have 28 more students above budgeted at Center.

X. Public Participation

None.

XI. Executive Session

It was m/s DeWinkler/Chaffee to go into executive session for 30 minutes at 8:00 pm.
Unanimous vote.

Open Session

It was m/s Chaffee/Barry and passed to approve the new 6 hours a day janitorial position.
Unanimous vote.

XII. Adjournment

It was m/s by and passed to adjourn at 8:35 pm. Unanimous vote.

Jim Erickson, Chairperson

Jeff Loe, Board Secretary
