

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MINUTES
GRAND COULEE DAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 301J
COULEE DAM, WASHINGTON
March 24, 2008

Board Members Present: Joette Barry
Susan Chaffee
Donna DeWinkler
Nita Haag
Carla Marconi

Student Representative: Luke Seekins

Administrators Present: Jeff Loe
Lisa Lakin
Sue Hinton
Karl Miller
Mary Schilling

I. Call to Order The regular board meeting was called to order by Chair Donna DeWinkler at 5:39 pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Agenda It was m/s by Chaffee/Haag and passed to approve the board agenda with the change of VII. New Business, J. Superintendent Contract moved to Executive Session, addition to VII. Personnel Items A. Resignations, Robin Powell, High School Assistant Track Coach and the change to IX. Reports, C. Title VII/JOM Donna DeWinkler reporting on JOM/Title VII.

IV. Individuals wishing to speak on the Agenda items

Robin Powell – questions on her resignation.

V. Consent Agenda

It was m/s by Chaffee/Marconi and passed to approve the Consent Agenda: Unanimous vote.

To approve the minutes from the Regular Board meeting held February 25, 2008.

To approve the minutes for the Board Work Session held March 13, 2008.

To approve the minutes for the Board Work Session held March 19, 2008.

The following expenditures of the Consent Agenda were approved:

General Fund Vouchers	Warrant #'s 1047-1145	\$ 140,759.67
Payroll	Warrant #'s 957-1046	\$ 536,149.29

LRHS ASB Vouchers	Warrant #'s 192-214	\$ 14,729.28
Middle School ASB Vouchers	Warrant #'s 181-191	\$ 2,356.92

VI. Old Business

A. Bus Garage Status

Jeff Loe reported that weather permitting the bus garage should be finished in a couple of weeks. Nita Haag asked if the garage doors would be darker. Jeff said that they would not be darker because of the cost. He said that a net would be placed in front of the doors to block the glare for the baseball players.

B. Maintenance Proposals

Jeff Loe stated that in December the Board approved Otis Elevator Company to provide the maintenance of our elevators which includes parts in the proposal. Jeff said that the HVAC maintenance proposals are on his to-do list.

C. 2162 to 2413 Board Policy Series

Jeff Loe reported that this is the 2nd reading on the Board Policy Series 2162 to 2413 and would like a motion to pass these.

It was m/s by Haag/Barry and passed to approve Board Policy Series 2162 to 2413 excluding Policy numbers 2178, 2180, 2255, 2420, and 2421. Unanimous vote.

VII. New Business

A. Letter to Graduates

Karl Miller reported that notices to parents normally go out in March letting them know their son/daughter will not be graduating. He said the students are notified in October if they are failing. He stated that we will not know the WASL and COE results until June 5th. Karl said he would council the students to fill out the application, form 2410F for exception of commencement ceremonies if they are unsure of their WASL scores. Discussion followed.

B. Field Trip Request

Joette Barry asked for approval for taking her SAFTYE/S.A.D.D. group to a conference on April 11th-13th at no cost to the District.

It was m/s by Marconi/Chaffee and passed to approve the SAFTYE/S.A.D.D field trip request. Joette Barry abstained.

C. Board Vision Plan – Set up Work Session/Participants

The Board will meet on April 17th from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm to discuss the Board Vision Plan.

D. WA Interscholastic Activities Assoc. (WIAA) Resolution

Jeff Loe reported that this resolution is for membership with the WIAA for our extracurricular activities. He said every year the Board is asked for approval. Nita Haag asked who the Board contact person will be. Joette Barry volunteered to be the WIAA Board contact.

It was m/s by Chaffee/Marconi and passed to approve the WA Interscholastic Activities Assoc. (WIAA) Resolution. Unanimous vote.

E. MOU for Mass Prophylaxis/Vaccination Clinic

Jeff Loe reported that he offered Center School to be used in case of an emergency situation.

It was m/s Chaffee/Barry and passed to approve the MOU for Mass Prophylaxis/Vaccination Clinic. Unanimous vote.

F. Board Retreat

The Board decided to hold the Board Retreat on April 12th at 8:00 am at the District Office.

G. NAFIS Winter Conference - Report

Jeff Loe reported that he attended the NAFIS conference in Las Vegas in February. He said the same message he is getting is to contact our representatives to fight for money. He said they are going through re-authorization again. Jeff stated that the lot payment is given to the neediest first and that there is left over money from 2005. He said we will be receiving more money to catch up. Susan Chaffee asked if we know the amount of catch up money we will be receiving. Chair Donna DeWinkler said that when she goes to Washington DC next week she will find out the amount from 2005 that we will get. Jeff said that he learned of Section 8002 while he was talking with our Lobbyist. He said it is land that has been taken away from the tax roles. He said we are compiling information now to try and find out the value of the land that was taken. Discussion followed.

H. Small Schools Conference - Report

Jeff Loe reported that he attended the Small Schools Conference in Yakima. He said they started the conference out with talking about Rachel's Challenge. Rachel was the first girl that was killed in the Columbine shooting. He said at the conference they talked about the Read-Write program. He said it is about \$80,000 so we would need to get a Grant to pay for it. He said that it is nice to be able to talk to other schools the same size as us and see that we all have the same issues.

I. WSSDA Spring Regional Meetings

The Board will let Jeff Loe know at a later date who will be attending.

J. Superintendent Contract

This will be talked about in executive session.

VII. Personnel Items

A. Resignations

Leslie Winningham, School Psychologist/Special Education Coordinator
Robin Powell, LRHS Assistant Track Coach

It was m/s by Haag/Barry and passed to accept Leslie Winningham's resignation. Robin Powell's resignation will be discussed in executive session.

B. Hires

Lori Adkins, LRHS Head Track Coach for the remainder of the current season

Lori Adkins hire will be discussed in executive session.

IX. Reports

A. Administrative

1. Principals

Center Elementary

Sue Hinton went over her report. She thanked the volunteers for coming to read to the students on hats off to reading day. She reported that Center has been selected to have an extreme makeover on the playground by Home Depot. Sue said that she would like our school to look like an elementary school so she would like to have a mural painted on the outside of the building. She said on April 10th a program called Connect the Dots will be coming to teach the 3rd, 4th and 5th graders a training on anti-bullying. Lisa Lakin stated that she is working on having the same training for the 7th and 8th graders as well.

Grand Coulee Dam Middle School

Lisa Lakin went over her report. She said that James Kirkpatrick will be attending the Geography state competition held on April 4th even though he has moved out of the area. She said WASL tests will be the 3rd week of April. She said the rewards day is this Friday for students receiving less than 5 demerits. She said over 165 students out of 210 students are able to participate.

Lake Roosevelt High School and Skilskin

Karl Miller went over his report. He said that Nancy Johnson went to the WALA conference. He said that we have LOC contracts, but unless we find a teacher with a certificate to teach all subjects we would have to pay each individual teacher to teach the specific subject. He said students are running an energy saving idea throughout the building. He said that Gretchen Antoine was chosen for the certificated teacher excellence award. He went over the graphs of student behavior referrals. Discussion followed.

21st Century

Mary Schilling reported that we received \$100,000 for a small repairs grant which will pay to fix the roof at Center and replace transformers at the High School football field. She said the department of Higher Education called our District and asked us to apply for a grant called Gear Up for \$17,000. She said the money will be used for this year's Freshman and follow them until they graduate. She said the grant is to help students get interested in going to College after High School. Mary reported that the PE Grant for a total of \$400,000 over 3 years was submitted today. She said this grant money will be used to build fitness centers in each building, purchase curriculum for PE/Health teachers and for training of the staff. Discussion followed.

B. Student Director

Luke Seekins said they had a blood drive today and there was a good turnout from students and community members. He said Friday they are having a talent show at the High School during 5th period. He said he is wrapping up his Senior Year. Chair Donna DeWinkler asked him if he had found a student representative for Title VII/JOM. Luke stated that he has told some people about it. Nita Haag asked him if he had found a student director replacement for next year. Luke said that he is working on it.

C. JOM/Title VII

Chair Donna DeWinkler said that Carla Marconi has left the Title VII/JOM committee. She said that at the JOM meeting they discussed the bylaws. She stated that the Tribe did receive the JOM funds. She said they are working on how much each District will receive. Donna said they are working on the Title VII grant. She said they are waiting for it to be online. She said parents are concerned about the Kindergarten class and that parents are able to request a teacher up to a certain date. She said that Sue will put that information on the applications to let parents know. Donna shared that Jolene Francis was the chair person and Dana Cleveland is the member at large.

D. Fiscal

1. Budget Status

Jeff Loe went over the Budget Status report. He shared that he met with all staff. He said he told the staff that we have a declining enrollment. He shared with them how the state funds how many teachers we have per student. He said that each building is working on getting schedule ideas for next year. Jeff said that Cathy Huston will meet with the Nespelem Teacher's union representative to get a common calendar between the two districts. Cathy Huston said that she had already met with them and will be meeting with them again. Jeff said we will vote on a calendar next month. Susan Chaffee asked if she could get a printout by category from Accounts Payable. She said she isn't interested in the name, but specific categories. Joette Barry asked what we are saving with Wright being closed. Jeff said he would find that out.

2. Enrollment

Jeff Loe went over the enrollment report. He reported that we are above budgeted. He said we have lost 166 kids in 8 years.

X. Public Participation

None

XI. Executive Session

It was m/s Chaffee/Marconi to go into executive session for 30 minutes at 7:20 pm per RCW 42.30.110 (l) (g) Unanimous vote. Chair Donna DeWinkler asked for 1 hour at 7:50 pm. Chair Donna DeWinkler asked for another 45 minutes at 08:50 pm.

Open Session

It was m/s Chaffee/Marconi and passed to not approve the resignation of Robin Powell, LRHS Assistant Track Coach. Unanimous vote. It was m/s Chaffee/Haag and passed to approve the hire of Lori Adkins, LRHS Head Track Coach for the remainder of the current season. Carla Marconi abstained.

XII. Adjournment

It was m/s by Chaffee/Barry and passed to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m.

Donna DeWinkler, Chairperson

Jeff Loe, Board Secretary
