

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MINUTES
GRAND COULEE DAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 301J
COULEE DAM, WASHINGTON
March 23, 2009

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

Board Members Absent:

Student Representative:

Administrators Present: Sue Hinton
 Steve Breeze

I. Call to Order

The regular board meeting was called to order by Donna DeWinkler at 5:33 pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Agenda

It was m/s by Chaffee/Marconi and passed to approve the Agenda with the following additions; under VIII. Personnel A. Resignations, Billy Nicholson, LRHS Head Girls Basketball Coach.

IV. Individuals Wishing to Speak on Agenda Items

None

V. Consent Agenda

It was m/s by Haag/Marconi and passed to approve the Consent Agenda with corrections in the minutes: Unanimous vote.

To approve the minutes from the Regular Board meeting held February 23, 2009 with the changes to III. Title VIII, D. Legislative Update, that we had support from our local Legislators, and VIII., New Business A. Unfair Labor Practice Settlement, add Nita requested a roll call vote.

To approve the minutes from the Board Work Session held March 11, 2009 with the change to the spelling of the word SAFTYE.

To approve the minutes from the Board Work Session held March 14, 2009 with the changes to IV. B., The Principals need to, F. Jeff reported and the second sentence should say they use and if any.

To approve the minutes from the Board Work Session held March 20, 2009.

The following expenditures of the Consent Agenda were approved:

General Fund Vouchers	\$150,292.41	Warrant #'s 1090-1180
Payroll	\$551,144.38	Warrant #'s 1014-1089
LRHS ASB Vouchers	\$ 13,214.93	Warrant #'s 223-237
Middle School ASB Vouchers	\$ 2,712.02	Warrant #'s 214-222

VI. Old Business

A. Legislative Update

Chair Donna DeWinkler spoke of the email she received from Sheila Stalp saying that Cathy McMorris-Rogers will make calls on behalf of our District.

B. Facility Study

Jeff Loe said that we have been approved by OSPI to do the facility study. Jeff said Gary Miller of OSPI has recommended a few Architects that will be interviewed by Jeff, Susan Chaffee and Donna DeWinkler.

C. Football Field Name Request - Policy

Jeff Loe stated that there is no such policy in place. He said Susan Chaffee and Nita Haag volunteered to draft a policy for naming or renaming schools/facilities. Chair Donna DeWinkler would like this to be tabled until the next work session.

D. Modified Education Plan

Jeff Loe said at the Board Work Session on Friday, it was determined there was a need for assistance. He said Tom Picket a lawyer for Canfield and Associates will assist us with the Modified Education Plan. The Board asked Jeff to follow up with them on the status in two days.

E. Joint Board Meeting with Nespelem

The Board decided on April 23, 2009 to have a joint board meeting with Nespelem. Chair Donna DeWinkler asked Jeff to check with Nespelem to see if that date is ok.

F. Board Policy No. 2178 Traffic Safety Education

Jeff Loe said there were no changes from the 1st reading and asked the board for approval on the 2nd reading of Policy No. 2178.

It was m/s by Haag/Chaffee and passed to approve the 2nd reading of Policy No. 2178 Traffic Safety Education. Unanimous vote.

G. Revise Board Policy No. 5341 Travel Expense Reimbursement

Jeff Loe stated that both unions have language stating the district will pay the state rate. He said in order to change the policy there would need to be a memorandum of agreement with the unions. Chair Donna DeWinkler asked Jeff to change the wording on the procedure with regard to splitting the mileage. She asked Jeff to put the policy and procedure on the agenda for the next work session. Nita Haag said that the policy needs to be rewritten.

VII. New Business

A. Maintenance & Custodial Report

Jeff Loe said the written report will stand as reported. Chair Donna DeWinkler asked if the old Skilskin trailer had power and water on. Jeff said at some locations the power and water are kept on so the pipes would not freeze. Jeff reported that he met with the town of Coulee Dam and will be working with them to shut meters off. Jeff said that Larry Davidson volunteered to order supplies for the custodians to see if he can save money for the district. Discussion followed.

B. FBLA Report

Jeff Loe said the written report will stand as reported. Steve Breeze shared that the group is small but the students receive a great experience.

C. Field Trip Request

Kim Stanger asked the board for permission to take ten students to a Native Project Academic Camp in Medical Lake. She said she gave 7th and 8th grade descendent and enrolled students an application. She chose the students by the first ten applications received and who had at least a 2.0 GPA.

It was m/s by Barry/Marconi and passed to approve the field trip contingent on receiving signatures from the Principal and the Superintendent.

D. Cooperative Agreement with the Colville Tribes - Attendance

Jeff Loe said that the surrounding Superintendents and a Tribal Lawyer came up with the agreement. He said Jeff Brisbois will be our district attendance officer. The Board had questions about the Agreement that Jeff Brisbois and Jeff Loe were able to answer. The Board asked for a report at the October Board Meeting. Discussion followed.

It was m/s by Haag/Barry and passed to approve the Cooperative Agreement with the Colville Tribes. Unanimous vote.

E. Review Summer School Plans

Steve Breeze reported that they are in the early phases of planning summer school. He said Stacey Nash-Toulou has volunteered to teach again this summer. He said it will run for two weeks and four days, eight hours a day in addition to a fee of \$200. Chair Donna DeWinkler asked what grades could attend. Steve said typically it is 9th-12th graders, but could have some to be 9th graders. Carla Marconi asked how the word

would get out about summer school. Steve said there would be information in the bulletin. He also stated that information would get to the students that will be targeted for needing extra help. Discussion followed.

F. Review Graduation Plans/Participation

Steve Breeze said he would like the board to allow students to walk at graduation who have met the District requirements and not the WASL requirements. Chair Donna DeWinkler asked for this procedure to be on the agenda at the next work session. Nita Haag asked if the Policy needed to be revisited at the work session. The board agreed that it did.

G. Review Winter Sports Supplemental Coaching Contracts

Chair Donna DeWinkler moved the winter sports supplemental coaching contracts to executive session.

H. Review High School Graduation Requirements

Nita Haag said she would work with Steve Breeze on reviewing the High School Graduation requirements.

I. New Position – One-on-One Medical Fragile Student

Jeff Loe said the new medical fragile student requires more hours a day to be monitored. He said that the Special Education team changed the hours on the students IEP. Jeff stated we have no one on staff able to cover this position.

It was m/s Chaffee/Haag and passed to approve the new position. Unanimous vote.

J. Donation

It was m/s by Chaffee/Marconi and passed to approve the donation of \$50.00 to the SAAD/SAFTYE club from the DeWinkler family. Joette Barry and Donna DeWinkler abstained.

K. Review of Board Goals

Nita Haag asked that Jeff thank the Classified staff from the board. Nita would like to check on the board goals quarterly to see how everyone is doing on them. She said the board is very lax about positive public relations. Susan Chaffee suggested at the next work session the board should come up with a common positive message to share with the community in regards to board goal number two. Discussion followed.

VIII. Personnel Items

A. Resignations

1. Billy Nicholson, LRHS Head Girls Basketball Coach

It was m/s by Haag/Chaffee and passed to approve the above resignation.

B. Hires

None

IX. Reports

A. Administrative

1. Principals

- a. Center Elementary Principal, Sue Hinton let her report stand but did share that at the Read Across America day, Frank Ayers took pictures and made a presentation. She said she had the CD if anyone wanted to watch it. She said they had a great turnout and community involvement. She said that PBI's are a huge part of her school. She said that the number of referrals is down from last year. Sue said she attended a 504 webinar and learned of some changes that will need to be made on our policy.
- b. Middle School Principal, Lisa Lakin was absent.
- c. Lake Roosevelt High School, Steve Breeze let his report stand, but shared that WASL testing will finish up this week and that students have been working very hard. He said the senior paper projects were completed last week. Brad Wilson shared that at the basketball tournament, the WIAA has a program called Team Up. The basketball boys were assigned to visit Franklin Middle School in Yakima to talk about why it is good to stay in school or why they loved basketball. Steve said it was such a positive experience. Nita Haag asked if we have done anything like that here. Brad said no, but would like to start.

B. Student Director

Absent

C. Indian Education Committee

Carla Marconi said there will be a special executive meeting on March 25th. She said some parents had some safety and health concerns about the "Twinkie bus". She said she spoke with Jeff and he said the new bus will replace that. She said she would notify the committee of that. Donna DeWinkler said there was a large crowd at the last meeting.

D. Tribal Education Committee Meeting

Jeff Loe said he and Susan Chaffee went to the last Tribal Education Committee Meeting. He shared with the committee why our district has to cut, the cuts from the state and what our fund balance is. He said there was a question to him why our district was trying to take over Nespalem District. Jeff shared with them that the state is suggesting that schools with less than 150 students consolidate with another District.

E. Fiscal

1. Budget Status

Jeff Loe went over his revenue/expenditure projection report. He said after receiving some Safety Net Funding our fund balance is at \$83,000, but with our bills being over budgeted our fund balance has dropped to \$48,000. Discussion followed.

2. Enrollment

Jeff Loe went over the enrollment report. He said our enrollment for March was 641, but we budgeted at 675. He said last year we ended the year with 701 students. He said we have lost 60 students in one year.

XI. Public Participation

None

XII. Executive Session

It was m/s by Chaffee/Marconi and passed to go in to Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. for 25 minutes in accordance with RCW 42.30110 (1)(g).

XIII. Adjournment

It was m/s by Haag/Chaffee and passed to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Donna DeWinkler, Board Chair

Jeff Loe, Board Secretary
