

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Bill Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following directors were present: Bill Wilson, Paul Voelker, Doug Elledge and Nancy Cocroft. Crystal Hubert was excused. Staff present: Ben Ferney, Eileen Harris, Kellie Martinez, Candace Harris and Robin Karsh; staff present via Teams: Diane Monasmith, Rhea Ross, Danielle Tupek, Becky Parrill. Guests present via Teams were Claire Olson and Lynn Gustafson. Roll call was taken with a quorum present.

The Board took a few minutes to acknowledge the staff that have retired/left the district during the 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 school years: Janet Williams 43 years, Todd Smith 32 years, Peggy Neal 15 years, Janet Mosby 13 years, Tommy Clark 12 years, Kraig Kalisch 12 years, Dennis Killmer 11 years, Michelle Cregger 11 years, Helena Franke-Smith 10 years, Alice Ely 33 years, Linda Farrington 15 years and Kristin Smith 14 years.

In addition, the Board wished Ben a very happy birthday and congratulated him on completing his Ed.D. at Gonzaga.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Doug moved to approve the consent agenda containing the June Board Special and Regular Meeting Minutes; the late June and July vouchers for the General Fund (Vouchers #134943 through #135040, #202000286, #202100012 and Void#134886 in the total amount of \$338,493.29), ASB Fund (#202000287 in the total amount of \$307.56), and Payroll (Warrants #134922 through #134942 in the total amount of \$293,814.32), and 21-22 School Year Contracts for Melanie Bailey, Candace Harris, James Blair, Leah Harp, Robin Karsh, Douglas Killmer, Forrest Miller, Diane Monasmith, Steve Templeton, Danielle Tupek, Brittany Weinstein and contracts with NEW ESD101 for Threat Assessment Services, Technical Services with WSIPC and a Service Agreement with TripSpark. Eileen will discuss the financial report during the Budget Hearing. Nancy seconded; motion carried.

At 6:10 p.m. Bill Wilson called for a short executive session to discuss the performance of an employee. Action will be taken during the Action Items portion of the open meeting.

At 6:19 p.m. the executive session ended, and the regular meeting commenced.

PUBLIC FORUM:

None

BUDGET HEARING

At 6:22 p.m. Bill recessed the regular meeting and opened the Public Hearing on the 2021/2022 Budget. Eileen reviewed the 2021-2022 Budget Summary and 4-year Forecast presentation and answered board questions. Bill closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 6:50 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution No. 8-20/21 2021-2022 Budget Adoption Ben presented Resolution No. 8-20/21 2021-2022 Budget Adoption. Paul moved to approve Resolution No. 8-20/21 Budget Adoption as presented. Doug seconded; motion carried unanimously.

2021-22 Classified Salary Scale: Ben presented the 2021-22 Classified Salary Scale and recommended adoption. This includes an overall increase to the steps and the state ipd. Paul moved to approve the 2021-22 Classified Salary Scale as recommended. Nancy seconded; motion carried.

Recommendation to Hire:
Erica Schwab as Elementary Teacher, Continuing
Donny Miller as Athletic Director
Bronwyn Worthington 2021-22 CVA Teacher
Wendy Stenbeck 2021-22 CVA Teacher
Mike Naccarato 2021-22 CVA Teacher
Cynthia Court-Zmuda 2021-22 CVA Special Ed Teacher
Annette Wisener as VLTC & Facilities Secretary
Phillip Blume as Custodian-Swing Shift 1
Jesse Hegel as Custodian-Swing Shift 2
Gisella Hazen as Transitional Kindergarten (TK) Teacher

Ben presented recommendations to hire Erica Schwab, Donny Miller, Bronwyn Worthington, Wendy Stenbeck, Mike Naccarato, Cynthia Court-Zmuda, Annette Wisener, Phillip Blume, Jesse Hegel and Gisella Hazen and recommended approval. Doug moved to approve the hiring of Erica Schwab, Donny Miller, Bronwyn Worthington, Wendy Stenbeck, Mike Naccarato, Cynthia Court-Zmuda, Annette Wisener, Phillip Blume, Jesse Hegel and Gisella Hazen as recommended. Paul seconded; motion carried.

Action Items continued:

Resignation Letter from Kristin Smith:

Ben presented a letter from Kristin Smith resigning her Paraeducator position and recommended acceptance. Paul moved to regretfully accept Kristin Smith's resignation and thanked her for her service to the students at Valley School. Doug seconded; motion carried.

Termination of Justyn Turner:

Ben recommended the board terminate the employment of Justyn Turner as he is unable to perform the duties of the maintenance position. Paul moved to terminate the employment of Justyn Turner. Doug seconded; motion carried.

Request to surplus ladders and a Baldwin Piano:

Ben presented a list of items (ladders & a Baldwin piano) and recommended that the board deem them surplus so the district can dispose them. Doug moved to approve the list of items as surplus as recommended. Paul seconded: motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Second Reading Revision to Policy 3241 Student Discipline:

Ben presented the revision to Policy 3241 Student Discipline for a second reading and explained that the leadership team needs more time to review and provide additional input before it is ready for board approval and recommends that be postponed until August.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS
COMMUNICATION**

Superintendent Report:

Ben reported that he met with Eileen, Candace, Theresa and Robin to solidify the levy timeline. Due to a law passed last legislative session the board must advertise for community members to serve on a committee to write the pro and con statements for the Voters Guide. The deadline for that is the same day as the resolution filing deadline – December 10th. More information will be forthcoming.

**Superintendent Report
continued:**

Ben anticipates a Department of Health statement regarding masks soon. More on that in the coming weeks.

Ben expressed his gratitude to the board for supporting him in his Educational Doctorate program.

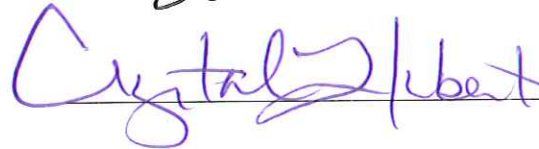

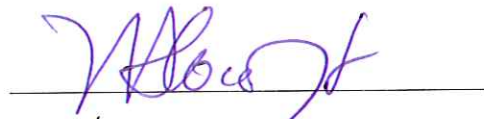
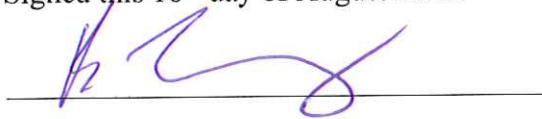
There were no Approved Procedures nor Approved Contracts to report.

**COMMENTS FOR THE
GOOD OF THE SCHOOL:**

Board Members commented it was nice to be in-person for the board meeting. Ben shared Valley School District logo pens. "Nice pens"

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Signed this 18th day of August 2021.



Attachments: Resolution No. 8-20/21 2021-2022 Budget Adoption and PowerPoint presentation, 2021-2022 Classified Salary Scale, Surplus list.