

DARRINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Elementary Library  
1085 Fir Street  
Darrington, WA 98241

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2019**  
**REGULAR MEETING: 6:30 PM**

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**Call to Order**

Dave Holmer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., followed by the flag salute. Other members present: Jennie Requa, Sheila Sisney and Marree Perrault.

**Correspondence**

None

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

Sheila made a motion to approve the June 21 Special Meeting, August 27 Regular Meeting, and August 31 Board Retreat Consent Agendas. Jennie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Regular Agenda**

Marree made a motion to approve the Regular Agenda. Sheila seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**DISTRICT REPORTS**

**Elementary:**

Tracy Franke reports:

- Students have been busy in green house with volunteers; eating vegetables they grew
- Judge Rancourt from Cascade District Court visited students for Constitution Day September 17
- Fall DIBELS and MAP testing is complete
- Over 250 attended Back to School BBQ
- Fifth grade looking forward to Mountain School this spring; will immerse themselves in hands-on environmental education focused on our mountainous region
- Students participating in a Pennant War to collect as many pennants from colleges around the country as part of AVID program
- Middle School volleyball took first in season opening tournament yesterday; student athletes focusing more on studies in preparation for weekly grade checks
- There are no changes to the Title I Family Engagement Policy
- Fall in Love with Learning set for October 10 from 5:30-6:30

**High School:**

Buck Marsh reports:

- Cindy is attending a Special Education Law conference
- 35 students taking advantage of APEX classes; 21 in foreign language
- Used SBA results to choose 4-5 targets to focus on for needs assessment
- 11 Seniors have not met math graduation requirements
- Staff is bringing back Student of the Month
- ASB President Steven Colson is the school board rep for tonight

**Special Programs:**

Buck Marsh reports:

Special Education count at 72 in grades 0-12; 17% of enrollment

Jessica Womack is our new OT

**DEA:**

Dyanna Armony reports:

- Expressed concern over class sizes and staffing, including middle school classes and some high school classes averaging over 30 students
- Expressed educational consequences of having minimal staff, including behavior and safety
- Expressed desire to have district increase staff to accommodate current enrollment

**PSE:**

No Report

**Student Representative:**

Steven Colson reports:

- Spirit Week events will include Ironman volleyball and Iron Maiden football
- New Kid lunch was held
- Freshmen orientation went well
- Royalty nominations will be Thursday
- Leadership class is making plastic yarn; will donate finished product

**Enrollment/Financial Reports:**

McKenzie Boyd reports:

- Enrollment summary shows increase from last year
- Enrollment trend above budgeted; hope to follow last year's trend
- McKenzie will get comparison by grade for Dave
- Fund balance trend report is for August
- Monthly expenditures higher than budgeted
- Balanced to the County Treasurer

**Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items:**

Sue Howard expressed concern over fewer staff and additional student load in Elementary. She expressed concern over new wording in Supplemental contracts stating coaches are expected to drive athletes to events as assigned. She asked that the Board consider extra compensation for driving. Buck stated that a high school event had to be cancelled last year due to a coach refusing to drive a van to an event.

Community Center board member Jessica Coleman read a statement regarding protocols relating to communicating with the DCC board, saying any questions or concerns the District has about the Community Center should be directed to the DCC board. They would like to form an ad hoc committee consisting of school board reps, DCC board reps, and school district reps to help facilitate communication between the DCC board and the school board.

**Public Comments on Agenda Items:**

None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Superintendent/Board Goals:**

Buck stated no new Superintendent goals since the Board Retreat. Dave stated he has a draft paper of Board goals and hopes to put them online once he gets input from the Board and asked them to email their input.

### **Appoint Student Advisor to Board:**

Tabled until next month's meeting.

### **Update Signers on High School Imprest Account:**

Jennie made a motion to remove Val Smith and add Jessie Friddle to the High School Imprest Account. Marree seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Agreements and Contracts**

#### **Personnel Actions:**

Sheila made a motion to approve the agreements and contracts as listed on page 40. Marree seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Superintendent's Report:**

Buck Marsh reports:

- Working with Apollo rep Mike McKenna on OSPI planning grant and others related to school improvements
- Our hope is to capture state grant dollars to pay for some of our existing projects, use Department of Commerce ESCO process that guarantees work following energy projects, bring in experts to assure work is done on time and made to last, and save money to be used on other less critical areas on this capital levy cycle
- Volleyball is playing at Mount Vernon Christian School
- Football had a setback last weekend; participation high
- Hoping zero tolerance on cell phones is going well at HS and MS
- Invited to attend US Geological Society-sponsored trip to Colombia with Mayor Rankin while attending Snohomish County PUD meeting last week; will share more at next month's meeting

### **Board Comments:**

Dave thanked Sheila for representing the Board at upcoming WSSDA Legislative Assembly. He expressed his interest in AVID to Mrs. Franke who said a trainer was coming in October. He expressed his desire to clean up the board calendar.

Sheila asked for Board input on picking top ten issues for the legislative assembly. These issues are compiled and given to legislators. She asked if we had any applicants for the open school board position. McKenzie told her we have received one applicant so far. The deadline is October 11.

Marree commented on several workshops coming up in October including vaping and IEP's and 504's.

**Adjournment:**

Chair Dave Holmer adjourned the meeting at 7:25 PM.

D. Holmer  
Board President

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Secretary to the Board

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