

DARRINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Darrington Elementary Library/Zoom Meeting
1065 Fir Street
Darrington, WA 98241

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2021
REGULAR MEETING: 6:30PM

Call to Order

Dave Holmer called the meeting to order at 6:32PM, followed by the flag salute. Other members present: Larry Boyd, Jennie Requa, Marree Perrault, and Maggie Weimer.

Correspondence

Tracy Franke shared a letter from Jim Buck, which was written to bring the board's attention to The Department of Natural Resources School Seismic Safety Project (SSSP) 2019-2021 Legislative Report.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Dave noted that the August 20, 2021 minutes need to be corrected to reflect that Maggie Weimer was in attendance. Larry made a motion to approve the August 24, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes and the August 20, 2021 Board Retreat Minutes as amended. Maggie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Regular Agenda

Larry made a motion to approve the Regular Agenda. Jennie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

DISTRICT REPORTS

High School/Special Programs Report:

- 34 seniors are on track to graduate. Working individually with the other 2 students to make sure goals are being met.
- Kati Gladsjo's new home ec class is doing very well.
- Allie Johnson was appointed student representative for the school board.
- SPED at 17% of enrollment
- Working on designating a liaison for homeless or unaccompanied youth.

Elementary/Superintendent Report:

- GPI is working with teachers doing multiple activities with their classes at the archery range.
- Greenhouse repairs have been completed. Working on growing different foods to possibly begin bringing into the cafeteria.
- Tracy is working on a kindergarten alternative learning schedule to help meet needs.
- Also gathering data for a possible transitional kindergarten— will roll out a survey. This would be for 4 year olds in the area who are not currently enrolled in our ECEAP program or any daycare centers. The district would receive apportionment for a transitional kindergarten program.
- Food service is doing well working around supply chain issues – New cart in the community center for the high school is working out great.
- Transportation has been running smoothly – Having multiple drivers is helping with social distancing and reducing stress on the routes – New monitor on routes and assigned seating.
- Arranging times with GPI regarding the archery range so there is no student/archers overlap.

- Healthy youth survey will roll out for grades 6-12 between October 11-29th.
- Youth truth survey for grades 3-12, staff, and families, will roll out in December.

PSE:

No Report

DEA:

Happy to be back with students full time and doing our jobs!

Student Representative:

No Report

Enrollment/Financial Reports:

McKenzie Boyd reports:

- Basic education enrollment for September is 400.39 FTE. The budget was based on 384 basic education FTE for 2021-22.
- Hoping to follow the 2018-2019 trend – Most districts were optimistic but didn't have as many students return so we are fortunate.
- Final August fund balance will likely be higher due to ESSER claims. We are in a good position for the upcoming year.

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items:

None

Public Comments on Agenda Items:

None

OLD BUSINESS

Policy Update-2nd Reading:

Dave asked questions about the implementation of policy/procedure 2195/2195P and 3211/3211P. Tracy and Cindy noted that the mechanics of implementing the procedures might look slightly different in Darrington because we're such a small district. Cindy shared that we currently have some students who use the individual staff restrooms rather than using the gendered restrooms. Maggie made a motion to approve the WSSDA updated Policies and Procedures 2195, 2195P, 3115, 3115P, 3211, 3211P, 3231, and 3231P. Jennie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Policy Update-1st Reading:

Members were encouraged to read WSSDA updated Policies and Procedures 5253, 5253P, 5281, 6020, 3423, 3520, 3520P, 4218, 4218P, and 5201.

Board Goals:

The board discussed potential goals for 2021-22. They want the goals to make a visible connection to the strategic plan. Each goal should have progress measures to help track. May need additional meetings to discuss pillars in depth and the goals/priorities. The board selected the following goals: 1) Work collaboratively and support new district Superintendent to assure a successful transition and continued stability in District Leadership and policies, 2) Commit fully to board member role by

preparing for, attending, and engaging in board meetings, and 3) Increase the use of data in making and implementing priority policies, program and instructional decisions.

Superintendent Goals:

Tracy Franke would like to keep in line with the strategic plan and state monthly goals/focuses. She wants to meet a goal each month and continue to revisit them at board meetings. Tracy selected the following goals for 2021-22: 1) Strengthened partnerships with community organizations and stakeholder groups connecting all students and resources essential for success, 2) Implement measures across the district to increase social and emotional well-being, and 3) Promote the achievement of a 5-year graduation rate of 95%.

Appoint Student Advisor:

Jennie made a motion to approve Allissa Johnson as the student advisor for the 2021-22 school year. Maggie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Certificated Staff Teaching Out of Endorsement:

Larry made a motion to approve Dyanna Armony teaching out of endorsement in the Alternative Learning (ALE) program. Maggie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Equity Tool:

Jennie made a motion to approve the equity tool proposed by Tracy Franke. Larry seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Letter of Agreement-PSE:

McKenzie shared that the letter of agreement with PSE will offer a one-time \$1,000 incentive bonus to new bus drivers who complete training and will allow current employees who agree to drive bus temporarily to retain rights to their regular positions. Larry made a motion to approve the letter of agreement with PSE. Marree seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Upcoming EP&O Levy:

McKenzie shared that the upcoming enrichment levy will be for 2023-2026, with a 4 year max collection period that requires voter approval by a simple majority. Districts are only allowed to place a levy on the ballot twice in a 12-month period. The board would need to approve a proposed ballot measure at the November meeting to run the levy in February or by February to run in April.

McKenzie and Tracy want to meet with the community to relay the options for how the levy can be run. They want to assess the community's needs and answer any questions to allow the community to be heard and provide input in advance, ideally meeting at multiple locations at different times of day for flexibility.

Gifts to the District:

Jennie made a motion to approve the gifts to the district on page 72. Larry seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Agreements and Contracts:

Larry made a motion to approve the agreements and contracts on page 73. Maggie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Personnel Actions:

Maggie made a motion to approve the personnel actions on page 74. Larry seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

Chair Dave Holmer adjourned the meeting at 8:34PM.

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Dave Holmer
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Board President

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Date

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Tracy Franke
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Secretary to the Board

11/23/2021

Date