

EVERGREEN SCHOOL DISTRICT #114
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 4, 2007 – 5:30 p.m.

Present: Holly Williams, President; Victoria Bradford, Vice President; Schuyler Hoss, Director; Joan Skelton, Director; Troy Thomas, Director; John Deeder, Superintendent; Kaye Chamberlain, Executive Assistant

I. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Holly Williams called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Evergreen Public Schools to order at 5:30 p.m. Ms. Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Williams recognized students from Clark College who were attending the Board meeting as a requirement of their class on public speaking.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Tuesday, November 6, 2007, Regular Board of Directors' Meeting
- B. Thursday, November 8, 2007, Special Board of Directors' Meeting
- C. Wednesday through Saturday, November 14 – 17, 2007, Special Board of Directors' Meeting

Ms. Bradford moved, seconded by Mr. Hoss, to approve all of the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

III. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO RE-ELECTED DIRECTORS

Greg Kimsey, Clark County Auditor, administered the Oath of Office to Directors Joan Skelton, Schuyler Hoss, and Victoria Bradford.

IV. REORGANIZATION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ms. Bradford moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to nominate Mr. Hoss to be the Board's President. Ms. Williams called for a roll call vote and Mr. Hoss was elected unanimously.

Mr. Hoss thanked Ms. Williams for the performing her duties as president during the last year.

Ms. Williams moved, seconded by Ms. Bradford, to nominate Ms. Skelton to be the Board's vice-president. Mr. Hoss called for a roll call vote and Ms. Skelton was elected unanimously.

Ms. Skelton moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to nominate Ms. Williams to be the Board's Legislative Representative. Mr. Hoss called for a roll call vote and Ms. Williams was elected unanimously.

Mr. Hoss said the workload of the board is spread among all five directors. He thanked Ms. Skelton and Ms. Bradford for their work with the Quality Education Coalition. Mr. Hoss also recognized Mr. Thomas's work with the Washington State School Directors' Association's Nominating Committee. Mr. Hoss said Mr. Thomas will continue to work with Ms. Williams in her duties as Legislative Representative, with the Washington State Board of Education and with the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

V. GOOD NEWS REPORT

The Board reviewed the Good News Report as prepared by the Community Relations Department. Carol Fenstermacher, Director of Community Relations, drew attention to several items that featured accomplishments of Evergreen students and staff, service to others, and school news.

VI. CITIZEN COMMENTS – None presented.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA – PROPOSALS FOR ACTION

A. Personnel Report

B. Approval of Vouchers: General, ASB, Capital Projects, and Trust Funds

General Fund

Voucher Number 250474 – 250697 in the amount of \$670,599.06

Voucher Number 250698 – 250902 in the amount of \$561,089.03

Voucher Number 250903 – 251096 in the amount of \$377,221.02

Capital Projects Fund

Voucher Number 22022 – 22057 in the amount of \$227,083.46

Voucher Number 22058 – 22089 in the amount of \$1,423,892.03

Voucher Number 22090 – 22124 in the amount of \$333,773.24

Associated Student Body Fund

Voucher Number 54339 – 54410 in the amount of \$73,921.60

Voucher Number 54411 – 54487 in the amount of \$60,412.39

Voucher Number 54488 – 54551 in the amount of \$50,181.07

Trust Fund

Voucher Number 253 – Only in the amount of \$268.42

C. Approval of Personal Services Agreement with Tucker Maxon Oral School for Educational Tuition and Captioning Costs for the 2007-2008 School Year

- D. Approval of Cooperative Agreement with Vancouver School District for the Financing and Operation of Fir Grove Children's Center/VISTA
- E. Approval of Agreement with Educational Service District #112 for Nurse Facilitator Services for the 2007-2008 School Year
- F. Resolution 4852 – Approval of Additional PTO and Support Group Activities for the 2007-2008 School Year
- G. Resolution 4853 – Approval of Purchase Orders: General, Capital, and ASB Funds
- H. Resolution 4854 – Approval and Certification of Payroll
- I. Resolution 4855 – Approval of Easement for Aircraft Noise Monitoring System at Mountain View High School
- J. Resolution 4856 – Staff Travel Requests
- K. Field Trip Requests

Ms. Williams stated that due to her remote interest in Home Depot stock she would abstain from voting on accounts payable warrant voucher numbers 250532, 250760, 250971, 22039, and 54368 and from purchase order number 7088; and that due to her remote interest in Hewlett Packard stock she would abstain from voting on purchase order number 500271.

Ms. Skelton moved, seconded by Ms. Bradford, to approve the consent agenda with the noted abstentions. The motion carried unanimously.

VIII. INSTRUCTIONAL PRESENTATION

Superintendent Deeder introduced Chris Tschirgi, Manager of Instructional Technology, who presented information regarding the district's use of instructional technology and the need for funding for new technologies for students. Board members asked Mr. Tschirgi to clarify several points. Mr. Hoss reiterated that the integration of technology into the classroom is of paramount importance to the school board.

Ms. Skelton suggested the need for a future workshop to delve into the technology issues further.

IX. BUDGET UPDATE

Mike Merlino, Chief Financial Officer, addressed the Board regard the status of the district's budget as it relates to enrollment and staffing. He presented a hand-out showing the original budget forecast, along with the year-to-date balances for the current school year. Mr. Merlino reported there are more students enrolled than were budgeted for in every category except at the high school level, which is 90 students less. Mr. Merlino said he believed the discrepancy is due to the students' enrollment in the district's alternative programs, such as T-Wolf Academy.

X. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Deeder congratulated Mr. Thomas on his selection as "Accomplished and Under 40." Superintendent Deeder and Ms. Bradford attended the celebration on November 8.

Superintendent Deeder reported that all Board members attended the Evergreen High School rededication held on November 8. He said the Evergreen remodel was the last project funded by the 2002 bond.

Superintendent Deeder reported attending the Washington State Board of Education's meeting held at the Vancouver School District on Thursday, November 29. The Superintendent presented the Quality Education Coalition's "Southwest Washington Region Response" regarding the development of a meaningful diploma and graduation requirements. Superintendent Deeder said the county superintendents need to stay on top of the issues with state legislators, as they continue to be a voice in Clark County for electives and programs in which students can succeed.

Superintendent Deeder reminded the Board that the Quality Education Coalition would meet the next day to discuss a legislative agenda and next steps in marketing and legislative committee work.

Superintendent Deeder also reminded the Board of the community tour scheduled for Thursday, December 5. He invited Board members to attend.

The Superintendent reported that Board members would be meeting in a joint session with the Clark College Trustees on Monday, December 17.

Superintendent Deeder will attend the December 14 Chamber of Commerce's Legislative Outlook breakfast. He invited Board members to attend.

Mr. Hoss thanked Superintendent Deeder for his activism in the community and his representation of the Evergreen School District.

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Thomas wishes to present to the Board a plaque given by the English Village Library in Taiwan.

XII. RECESS

The meeting was recessed at 6:12 p.m. for the signing of documents. Mr. Hoss stated that the Board's Workshop would begin at approximately 6:30 p.m. in the Green Complex Conference Room.

XIII. BOARD WORKSHOP

A. Boundary Committee Update

Marcia Fromhold, consultant; Tom Nadal, Executive Director of Elementary Education; Carol Fenstermacher, Director of Community Relations; and Reg Martinson, Executive Director of Facilities, reported on the Boundary Committee's work and recommendations to be presented at the next Board meeting.

B. Facilities Update

Mr. Martinson updated the Board on facilities' needs.

C. School Improvement Plan Presentations Discussion

Superintendent Deeder and Board members discussed future School Improvement Plan presentations.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:10 p.m., the regular meeting was reconvened and immediately adjourned.

President, Board of Directors

Secretary, Board of Directors
January 8, 2008