

**EVERGREEN SCHOOL DISTRICT #114**  
**Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, June 24, 2008**

**PRESENT:** Joan Skelton, President; Victoria Bradford, Vice President; Troy Thomas, Director; Todd Yuzuriha (newly appointed member of the Board of Directors); John Deeder, Superintendent; and Barb Seekins, Administrative Assistant

**I. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

Ms. Skelton noted the absence of Director Holly Williams from this evening's meeting. Mr. Thomas moved, seconded by Ms. Bradford, to excuse Ms. Williams' absence. The motion carried unanimously with the following board members voting: Ms. Skelton, Ms. Bradford, and Mr. Thomas.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Tuesday, May 27, 2008, Regular Board of Directors' Meeting
- B. Tuesday, June 3, 2008, Special Board of Directors' Meeting
- C. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, June 9-12, 2008, Special Board of Directors' Meetings
- D. Wednesday, June 11, 2008, Executive Session
- E. Monday, June 16, 2008, Executive Session
- F. Tuesday, June 17, 2008, Special Board of Directors' Meeting

Ms. Bradford moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously with the following board members voting: Ms. Skelton, Ms. Bradford, and Mr. Thomas.

**III. OATH OF OFFICE**

The Honorable Judge Edwin Poyfair administered the oath of office to Todd Yuzuriha, newly appointed school board member in Director District #4. Mr. Yuzuriha replaces Schuyler Hoss, who recently resigned from the Board to take a position with the Governor of the state of Washington. Judge Poyfair, Mr.

Yuzuriha, and Superintendent Deeder signed the required documents. Mr. Yuzuriha was welcomed to the School Board.

**IV. GOOD NEWS REPORT**

Carol Fenstermacher, Director of Community Relations, asked Mr. Yuzuriha to introduce members of his family present this evening including his wife, Elaine, and his daughter, Joy, a fifth-grader next year at Fisher's Landing Elementary School. Mr. Yuzuriha noted that he has two other children who were not able to attend the meeting this evening. The Board then reviewed the Good News Report as prepared by the Community Relations Department. Ms. Fenstermacher drew attention to several items that featured accomplishments of Evergreen students and staff, service to others, and school news.

**V. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Marion Ward, representing WaTiR (Washington Truth in Recruiting), Ashley Waldron, a 2008 Mountain View High School graduate, and Genevieve Cordis, a patron from the Pinebrook neighborhood near Fircrest Elementary School, addressed the Board regarding concerns they have about students' privacy rights related to military recruiting activities that take place in public schools.

Jan Bowers addressed the Board about her concerns that the secondary summer school program at Union High School is not served by public transit. She suggested that in the future summer school should be located at a school nearer public transportation routes. She hoped that a short-term solution could be put in place to address the problem for the current summer school session.

Randy Bruner addressed the Board about the quality education his five sons received while attending schools in the Evergreen School District. He expressed appreciation for the policies the Board has in place related to programs such as foreign exchange, industrial education, student government, sports, journalism, etc. He noted that his family moved to the district 1986 and that his youngest son graduated from Evergreen High School this month.

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA – PROPOSALS FOR ACTION**

- A. Personnel Report
- B. Approval of Vouchers: General, ASB, and Capital Projects Funds

**General Fund**

Voucher Number 256325 - 256328 in the amount of \$41,006.88 (2008/2009)

Voucher Number 256329 - 256567 in the amount of \$651,780.16 (2007-2008)

Voucher Number 256568 - 256570 in the amount of \$27,116.44 (2008/2009)

Voucher Number 256571 - 256756 in the amount of \$903,720.24 (2007/2008)

Voucher Number 256757 - 256760 in the amount of \$18,325.20 (2008/2009)

Voucher Number 256761 - 256919 in the amount of \$593,295.08 (2007/2008)

Voucher Number 256920 – 256928 in the amount of \$2,574.63 (2008/2009)

Voucher Number 256929 – 257151 in the amount of \$724,333.73 (2007/2008)

**Capital Projects Fund**

Voucher Number 22579 - 22589 in the amount of \$311,809.67 (2007/2008)

Voucher Number 22590 – 22602 in the amount of \$47,631.99 (2007/2008)

Voucher Number 22603 – 22621 in the amount of \$278,832.81 (2007/2008)

Voucher Number 22622 – 22634 in the amount of \$229,867.87 (2007/2008)

**Associated Student Body Fund**

Voucher Number 56177 - 56254 in the amount of \$44,133.59 (2007-2008)

Voucher Number 56255 – 56258 in the amount of \$4,570.60 (2008/2009)

Voucher Number 56259 – 56322 in the amount of \$33,306.23 (2007/2008)

Voucher Number 56323 – 56324 in the amount of \$4,144.07 (2008/2009)

Voucher Number 56325 – 56391 in the amount of \$29,591.15 (2007/2008)

Voucher Number 56392 – 56396 in the amount of \$8,392.79 (2008/2009)

Voucher Number 56397 – 56472 in the amount of \$53,575.41 (2007/2008)

- C. Agreement with Washington State School for the Blind for Orientation and Mobility Services for the 2008-2009 School Year
- D. Agreement with Washington State School for the Blind for Itinerant Teacher Services for the 2008-2009 School Year
- E. Renewal of Agreement Between Educational Opportunities for Children and Families (EOCF) and Evergreen School District for the Existing Ellsworth Early Head Start Center for the 2008-2009 School Year
- F. Renewal of Agreement Between Educational Opportunities for Children and Families (EOCF) and Evergreen School District for the New Ellsworth Early Head Start Center for the 2008-2009 School Year
- G. Renewal of Agreement Between Educational Opportunities for Children and Families (EOCF) and Evergreen School District for the Evergreen Center for the 2008-2009 School Year

- H. Renewal of Agreement Between Educational Opportunities for Children and Families (EOCF) and Evergreen School District for the Orchards Center for the 2008-2009 School Year
- I. Resolution 4927 – Approval of Cancellation of Warrants – Accounts Payable
- J. Resolution 4928 – Renewal of Food Service Contract for 2008-2009 School Year
- K. Resolution 4930 – Approval of Purchase Orders – General, Capital Projects, and ASB Funds
- L. Resolution 4931 – Award of Bid: Classroom Addition and Interior Modification for Clark County Skills Center #2008-179
- M. Resolution 4932 – Award of Bid: Parking Lot Addition for Clark County Skills Center #2008-180
- N. Resolution 4933 – Approval and Certification of Payroll
- O. Resolution 4934 – Approval of Clark County Skills Center/Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction Prioritized List
- P. Resolution 4935 – Evergreen High School Addition and Modernization Acceptance of Completion
- Q. Resolution 4936 - Approval of Clark County Skills Center/Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction Prioritized List/10-Year Duration
- R. Resolution 4937 – Approval of Cancellation of Warrants – Payroll
- S. Resolution 4938 – Approval of Change in Board of Directors' Calendar for 2008
- T. Resolution 4939 – Staff Travel Requests
- U. Field Trip Requests

Ms. Bradford moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## **VII. PROPOSAL FOR ACTION**

- A. Resolution 4929 - School Meal Prices for 2008-2009 School Year

Mike Merlino, Chief Financial Officer, stated that school lunch and breakfast prices would increase by five cents each as a result of the Board adopting Resolution 4929. He indicated that meal prices need to be adjusted approximately every other year, but that Evergreen's lunch prices are still the lowest in the county. Ms. Bradford moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve Resolution 4929. The motion carried unanimously.

### **VIII. BUDGET UPDATE**

Mike Merlino, Chief Financial Officer, provided an update regarding the district's budget, staffing, and enrollment. He stated that the information is similar to last month's report in that enrollment numbers have not changed significantly.

Elementary and middle school enrollment numbers are coming in slightly higher than budgeted for, with high school enrollment numbers coming in slightly lower. He noted that staffing was allocated at 1,084 FTE and that the district is currently over that number by 3.5 FTE but that 2007-08 has been a good year in terms of staffing. Related to the district's budget, Mr. Merlino stated that, financially, the district will be within approximately \$100,000 - \$200,000 of where it started the beginning of the school year.

### **IX. POLICY DEVELOPMENT**

#### **A. Policy 3207 – Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying – 1st Reading**

Superintendent Deeder stated that the proposed revisions to Policy 3207 had been previously discussed by the Board in a workshop. The changes to the policy are based on requirements brought forth by the legislature to add language related to electronically transmitted harassment, intimidation or bullying. Policy 3207 will be scheduled for second reading and adoption at the July 8, 2008, school board meeting. Board members should contact the Superintendent should they have any additional questions or suggestions related to it.

### **X. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Deeder stated that Holly Williams, the Board's legislative representative, will not be able to attend the 2008 Legislative Assembly, which will take place September 26-27 at the Wenatchee Convention Center. Should any board member wish to attend in her place, they should contact Barb Seekins at 604-4002 in order to be registered.

Mr. Deeder stated that the State Board of Education has scheduled its summer meeting here in the Evergreen Room on July 23 and 24. He indicated that he will be making a presentation about graduation requirements as they relate to

competency credits. He noted that there will be other opportunities to present testimony and mentioned "Core 24" as a possible example. Board members will be given a copy of the agenda once it is available.

Ms. Bradford referred to a letter in the board members' folders from Dr. Terry Bergeson, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, in which Bergeson recognizes the efforts of the district to increase equity and success for all students. Dr. Bergeson's letter refers to the recent OSPI Equity and Civil Rights Team on-site review, which was held March 4, 2008.

**XI. BOARD COMMENTS** – None presented

**XII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** – None presented

**XIII. RECESS**

The regular meeting was recessed at 6:30 p.m. for the signing of documents. Ms. Skelton stated that the Board would meet in a workshop session in the Green Complex Conference Room beginning at approximately 7:00 p.m. She noted that the workshop would be followed by an executive session.

**XIV. BOARD WORKSHOP**

The Board met in a workshop beginning at 7:15 p.m.

- A. Communications Audit: The Board discussed the results of the recent communications audit and had a presentation regarding the audit by representatives from Conkling, Fiskum & McCormick.
- B. Budget Update: Mike Merlino, Chief Financial Officer, presented details and answered questions regarding the school district budget for the 2008-09 school year.
- C. Bond Debrief

The Board held a discussion about the remaining projects in the 2002 bond and set a time to discuss the next steps for another bond election.

**XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A. Personnel

The Board met in executive session beginning at 9:30 p.m. to discuss personnel.

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:25 p.m., the regular meeting was reconvened and immediately adjourned.

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President, Board of Directors

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Secretary, Board of Directors  
July 8, 2008