

**Eatonville School District  
Board of Directors Meeting  
January 9, 2008, 7:00pm  
Eatonville Middle School**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Tim Patterson called the meeting to order @ 7:00 pm. Also present were, Mr. Kirk Heinz, Director, Mr. Bruce Lachney, Director, Dr. Robert Miller, Director, Superintendent Raymond Arment, Ms. Cathy Bryant, HR/ Business Manager, Laura Severson, Student Representative and Ms. Debi Hamilton, Recording Secretary. Mr. Robert Homan, Director was absent due to work. Administrators present were Mr. Steedman, Principal of Eatonville High School, Mr. Jacobson, Principal of Columbia Crest Elementary and Director of Special Services.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Kendra Trummert, student from Eatonville Middle School, led the flag salute.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL  
PRESENTATIONS  
ASB Presentation**

Mrs. Patricia Shelton and students, Kiersten Lindberg and Kendra Trummert gave a presentation to the board about the different activities at EMS. They presented a slide show with their presentation.

**Onion Bill**

Mr. Alex Hansen and students, Alexi Osterhaus, MacKenzie Glisson and Lacey Longpre gave a presentation to the board on House Bill 1556, Designating the Walla Walla Sweet Onion as the State Vegetable. They each talked about their role and presented a video of their testimony to the Senate on March 15, 2007. They explained the process to the board on the follow up they had to do to get the bill passed.

**Skyward Update**

Mr. Andersen updated the board on how the parent access piece of Skyward is being received. All teachers are participating. Over half the student population is using the parent access. The teachers and administrators send out continuous communication to parents about the program. Mr. Andersen and staff have been thanked many times by parents for the program. ESD 113 came to EMS to do some one on one training with the staff. They were at the MS from 6:00am to 2:00pm. ESD also offered some other tools that EMS and possibly EHS will be using in the future to enhance the communication between the schools and parents. Mr. Andersen was told by ESD 113 that the staff training at the Middle School has been excellent. Staff knowledge of the system is very good.

**Art Work**

Art Work was provided by Mr. Rush's art students for all to enjoy.

**CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

Superintendent Arment updated the board on:

- The demolition of the EHS South Hall wing. All hazardous mitigation has been completed in South Hall. North Hall is almost complete.
- Met with Pierce County about a flood plain analysis at the Weyerhaeuser Elementary School. Pierce County has decided that the small drainage ditch will present a flood plain. This is going to be a cost of \$300,000.00. There were questions from the board as to whether there was an appeal process. Superintendent felt that was not an option.
- The board had a question on whether there were wetlands at the Middle School. The answer is no.
- Met with Town of Eatonville and EYSA to discuss the location and gifting of school property so EYSA can build a facility for storage. The Town is responsible for the survey and the inter-local agreement.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The consent agenda was presented for approval Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. There was a second and the motion carried.

**A. Consider approval of School Board Minutes:**

1. December 14, 2007 Meeting minutes

**B. Consider Classified Human Resources Recommendations:**

1. Partial Resignation of Rebecca Lively, EHS AM shift, Crossing Guard

**C. Consider Certificated Human Resources Recommendations:**

**D. Consider Extra-Curricular Appointment Recommendations:**

#	Position	Name	Start Dt.	End Dt.
1	Head Girl's Soccer Coach	Rollie Arthur	Resignation effect.	11/05/07
2	JV Fast pitch Coach-	Katie Mettler-1 Yr Lv of	Absence, effect.	fall 08
3	Reading Intervention-	Shawna Myers	01-10-08	05-09-08

**E. Financial Report for November 2007**

**F. January Capital Projects Fund Vouchers \$ 184,419.87**

**HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS/GROUPS**

**Mrs. Katy Henricksen** addressed the board about the parking problem at WES. She invited the board to come out to look at the situation.

**Mrs. Tina Schmidt** addressed the board for the ASK group. She extended her appreciation to the board for giving ASK time on the agenda and for listening to their concerns. She extended her thanks to the parents, staff and teachers that helped to initiate the process. She also thanked Superintendent Arment and Mr. Jacobson for the parent advisory group. She acknowledged that every one that attended the Friday night meetings gave up family time to attend and they appreciate the fact that all of the administrators were present. She conveyed that they recognize there is still a lot of work ahead. She briefly touched on some goals and ideas for the work ahead. The ASK group presented the board with fruit baskets to show their appreciation. Tina also passed out an article to the board that was posted in the wall street journal about a school in Florida and how they accomplished mainstreaming. She finished by thanking Bruce Lachney, the board and administrators that have shown tremendous leadership and that they care about their students.

**NEW BUSINESS  
January School Board  
Appreciation Month**

Superintendent Arment read the proclamation form Governor Gregoire proclaiming January 2008 School Board Appreciation Month. He presented the board with certificates of appreciation.

**Resolution #532  
Four Yr. Levy Replacement**

Resolution 532 a resolution for the Four Year Replacement Levy was brought before the board. Superintendent Arment read the explanatory statement and talked about proposition one (1). He explained to the board that the rate per 1,000 will actually be a reduction from the existing levy rate. He invited community members to attend one of the upcoming Coffee With The Superintendent, session to talk about the levy. They will be on Thursday, January 24, 2:30pm -4:00pm and Saturday, January 26, 10:00am-11:30am. Superintendent talked about the tremendous amount of work that has gone into the levy by Ms. Bryant, administrators and department chairs to come up with what works to run a school district. He encouraged the board and community members to spread the word about the Coffee with the Superintendent session, ask questions and listen to the community.

Mr. Miller made a motion to approve Resolution #532. There was a second and the motion carried.

President Patterson made a note that even though Mr. Homan was not able to attend tonight, he fully supports the levy resolution and will be composing a letter to the editor in support of the levy.

**Donation from Eatonville**

Superintendent Arment turned the floor over to Mr. Fountain to address the board

**Hoops**

about the donation. Mr. Fountain explained to the board that the money was a donation from Eatonville Hoops to replace wood backboards with glass backboards in the high school gym. These items were not addressed in the bond so Eatonville Hoops decided to raise half of the money. Superintendent Arment will match the other half with a grant from the Superintendent/Board Fund. Mr. Heinz made the motion to approve the donation from Eatonville Hoops to be used to replace backboards in the HS gym. There was a second and the motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
Policy 2151**

Policy 2151, Interscholastic Activities was brought to the board for a second reading. There was some question at the first meeting about the insurance amount. It was decided to leave it at \$25,000.00. The changes to be approved were changes from WSSDA. Mr. Heinz made a motion to approve the changes to Policy 2151. There was a second and the motion carried.

**Superintendent Evaluation  
Tool Draft.**

Mr. Miller gave an overview of what the goal of the board was for the future evaluation process. He shared an overview of his meeting with the district's attorney and how they came up with the draft that the board now has. Mr. Patterson talked about this being a working document and that the board establishes goals on an annual basis. They become the guidance for the year. Superintendent Arment works closely with the administrators on these goals during the year. They are reviewed with the administrators several times during the year. He reminded the board that goals need to be established that can be measured. It is the belief of the Eatonville School Board that all programs in the district shall have an evaluation process. The goals will be used along with the criteria to evaluate. All changes and suggestions on the draft need to be sent to Mr. Miller. There was discussion among the board. The board expressed their appreciation to Dr. Miller and President Patterson for the work they have put into the evaluation tool. Superintendent Arment thanked Dr. Miller for the work he has put into the document.

**Special Education Advisory  
Group**

Superintendent Arment expressed his appreciation to the parent group ASK and the hard work they did at the meetings that the district had. He gave an overview of the process. The advisory group name was changed to reflect that the group will be comprised of more than parents. The name will now be Special Education Advisory Group (SEAG). There were some questions for discussion for the board. Discussion followed. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the proposal for the SEAG, the budget, along with the approval that the students within the group can vote. There was a second and the motion carried.

**BOARD COMMENT**

**Student Representative Laura Severson** shared that the student body was getting ready for Martin Luther King Day. They are also incorporating a fundraiser for the crisis in Darfur, Africa. The tents have arrived at the HS for the student gathering areas. Maintenance is looking into how to put them up so they will be safe and not blow over in the wind.

**Mr. Lachney:** Expressed his appreciation to ASK and the staff and administrators for working together. Now the hard work starts.

Suggested Mr. Dawkins look at the traffic flow at WES. Superintendent Arment suggested we have a parent parking committee to come up with some solutions. It has been exciting to see the concrete come down at the high school.

**Dr. Miller:** Expressed his appreciation and congratulations to everyone that worked on the Special Education project.

**Mr. Heinz:** Talked about the deliberators. Thanked Mrs. Hancock for doing the right thing. Talked about his some coming home from college and how well he is doing. Wants to thank the staff on the great job they did educating him.

**President Patterson:** Welcomed everyone back after the break. Talked about some concerns that he had on the distance that the athletic teams are traveling out of the 75 mile radius. Congratulations to Ms. Hancock for the award that she received. Expressed his appreciation of the levy committee for their hard work. He announced that the levy committee chairs are Mr. Nick Lamothe, Kirk Heinz and last

years student representative Sean Andrascik.

**SUPERINTENDENT  
COMMENTS**

The second set of bonds are nearing sale. Talked about the strategy for the sale of the bonds. Talked about bond insurance of the bonds and shared some calculations on the insurance.

Expressed his appreciation of the comments about Ms. Hancock. Mr. Steedman and other administrators have stood by policy.

1<sup>st</sup> Semester coming to a close on January 31<sup>st</sup>. The work that the administrative team has done this year has been significant.

Architect will be starting the educational specifications of the Eatonville Middle School along with the work going on at Eatonville High School, Weyerhaeuser Elementary and Eatonville Elementary. It will be a busy time.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION  
Contract  
Real Estate**

President Patterson called for a 10-15 minute break at 9:30pm. He announced that the board would then convene to an executive session to discuss real estate and contract information. He announced the executive session would last approximately 45 minutes and action would be taken after the executive session. President Patterson came out of executive session @ 10:30pm to announce that the executive session would continue for another 15 minutes. Executive session adjourned at 10:40 and the regular business meeting reconvened.

**Approval of ECA Contract**

Mr. Patterson asked for a motion to approve the Eatonville Coaches Association (ECA) contract. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the ECA contract. There was a second and the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Patterson adjourned the regular board meeting at 10:41pm.

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Timothy R. Patterson, President

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Raymond F. Arment, III, Secretary to the Board

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Debra Hamilton, Recording Secretary