



BOARD BRIEFS –May 24, 2017

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Dr. Richard Graham, President; Ann Campbell, Vice President; Marilyn Koenninger; Darlene Stickel; Rainer Houser; Trish Kellogg; and Steve Wrightson.

CALL TO ORDER

The ESD 112 Board of Directors' Business meeting was called to order by President Richard Graham at 3:00 p.m. on May 24, 2017, with a quorum of seven members present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- The board entered into Executive Session at 3:02 p.m. for discussion of performance of an employee pursuant to RCW 43.30.110(1)(g).
- The executive session ended at 4:22 p.m. and regular business reconvened at 4:29 p.m.

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- Early Head Start Program Report: Jodi Wall, *Executive Director of Early Care and Education*, reviewed the Early Head Start monthly report. The program is focusing on new performance standards and education qualifications that require all home visitors to have a home based Child Development Associate (CDA) credential or certificate to provide services. They are in discussions with Clark College regarding development of a certificate for home visitors. All home visitors will need to complete the new education qualifications by August 2018. She also shared a success story about a family that participated in the ESD 1-2-3 Grow and Learn playgroup. There was no policy council meeting held in April.
- Early Care and Education Program Update: Tim Merlino, Marnie Allen, *Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Legal Services*, and Jodi Wall provided an update on the Early Care and Education Program (ECE). ESD 112 made some organizational changes that reflect a new service delivery model and partnership with Children Northwest (CNW). The new federally funded Early Head Start Grant awarded to ESD 112 in March required the ESD to have a different working relationship with CNW. CNW responded to a request for proposals and was selected to continue providing staff for ECE programs. Currently, there are two vacant positions on the CNW Board. They also reported that the Park Crest Early Learning Center is now scheduled to open in June. Discussion took place regarding the South Ridge and Kalama Early Learning Centers.
- Legislative Update: Loy Dale, *Assistant Superintendent of School and Agency Operations*, provided the legislative update to the board. He presented a summary of the proposed Long Term K-12 Education Vision and McCleary Framework Plan drafted by Chris Reykdal, *Superintendent of Public Instruction*.
- Superintendent Tim Merlino briefed the board on the following:
 - A. Stevenson-Carson School District Levy: The Stevenson-Carson School District levy failed in April. They are cutting 18% from their budget and plan to run another levy in August.
 - B. Cowlitz County Superintendents Meeting: Castle Rock School District requested the Cowlitz County Superintendents' group look into a new skills center for Lewis and Cowlitz counties.

- C. Southwest Washington Risk Management Insurance Cooperative: Evergreen, Longview, and Kittitas School Districts were approved by membership to join the Southwest Washington Risk Management Insurance Cooperative. Currently working on contracts for 2017-18.
- D. Special Education: Tim Merlino, Gavin Hottman, *Assistant Superintendent and Chief Business Officer*, Mary Mertz, *Executive Director of ESA and Specialized Services*, and Dr. Sara Paul, *Quest Academy Program Director*, met with ESD 113 at Quest Academy to discuss special education services and offering a similar program in the ESD 113 region. They are interested in collaborating with ESD 112 and have 29 districts that are potential candidates for the program.
- E. Evergreen Superintendent Retirement: John Deeder's retirement event is scheduled for June 13 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at Henrietta Lacks Health and Bioscience High School.
- F. Battle Ground Superintendent Retirement: Mark Hottowe's retirement event is scheduled for June 20 from 4:00-5:00 p.m. at the Center for Agriculture, Science, and Environmental Education (CASEE).
- G. Construction Services Group: Construction Services Group (CSG) was awarded the Prosser School District contract to include three building remodels and construction of a new high school.
- H. Central Park Tour: Tim, Jodi Wall, and Congresswoman Jaime Herrera-Beutler's aide, Courtney Webb, toured the Central Park Early Learning Center.
- I. 1-2-3 Grown and Learn Program: The early learning program will provide seven Grow and Learn programs for the Battle Ground School District.
- J. Childcare Programs: Adding four new before and after childcare programs in the Evergreen district.
- K. Financial Advisory Services: Camas School District will receive financial advisory services from ESD 112.
- L. Open Doors Graduation: The Open Doors Program continues to provide a flexible schedule for students to complete their high school diploma or GED requirements. They will no longer host a formal graduation ceremony and will informally recognize student achievement.
- M. ESD Board Member Elections: OSPI is updating rules (WAC) related to board elections. They will be updating references, aligning procedures with those used for other elections in the state (local and state level elections), updating forms and creating a more efficient election process.
- N. AESD Annual Conference Planning Committee: The board discussed creating a subcommittee to begin planning for the 2019 AESD Annual Conference.
- O. Legislative Liaison: Marcia Fromhold, *Legislative Liaison*, plans to retire in June. Melissa Gombosky will assume Marcia's duties and provide legislative support to ESD 112.
- Employee Recognition: Lori Oberheide, *Assistant Superintendent of Communications and Public Engagement*, shared a presentation highlighting employees who received acknowledgements and appreciation of work accomplished. The presentation showcased the following staff members and events:
 - A. Child Care Aware: Jodi Wall and Michelle Aguilar, *Regional Coordinator for Early Care and Education*, attended a Child Care Aware rally at the Capitol Building in Washington D.C.
 - B. Early Achievers: Aprille McMillan, *Child Care Partnership Project Coordinator*, received a handwritten thank you note from a grateful childcare provider.
 - C. Administrative Professionals Conference: Katherine Livick, *Professional Development Manager of Digital Learning*, Diane Pfeiffer, *Secretary II*, Bunny Stevens, *Project Coordinator*, Kristina Wambold, *Digital Learning Coach*, and Debbie Tschirgi, *Director*, from the Digital Learning Team were recognized by the board for organizing another successful Administrative Professionals Conference at ESD 112. Ninety administrative professionals attended.
 - D. Prevent Coalition: PREVENT! Became known as the Prevent Coalition. They launched a new website and a social media campaign about opioid awareness. They also helped to organize a very successful drug take back event on April 29.
 - E. nPower Girls: The nPower Girls are featured in the 2017 STEM for All Video Showcase. Vickei Hrdina, *STEM Director*, and Rose Yandell, *TV ETC Coordinator*, were recognized by the board for creating an outstanding video.

- F. Mindfulness in the Classroom: The board reviewed the “Mindfulness in the Classroom” video. Corina McEntire, *Relationship Based Professional Development Manager*, was recognized by the board for working with two elementary schools in the Evergreen School District.
- G. State Superintendent: The State Superintendent, Chris Reykdal, visited the ESD 112 Regional Superintendent’s Meeting.
- H. Farewell: ESD 112 employee, Anita Tenold, *SS Student Services Coordinator*, was recognized for her years of service.
- I. Dr. Gay Selby: Dr. Gay Selby, who teaches courses in the educational certification programs for principals, program administrators, and superintendents, was recognized by her students.
- J. Lifesaver Award: A Hockinson student received an award from Hockinson Fire Chief and ESD 112 Board Member, Steve Wrightson, for saving another student’s life.

PROPOSALS FOR ACTION

- **Motion passed** to approve the consent agenda items including minutes of the ESD 112 Board of Directors’ Meeting – April 25, 2017, ESD 112 Personnel Activity Reports for May 2017, ESD 112 and SWCCC Expenditure Reports for April 2017, and Early Head Start expenditure reports for April 2017.
- **Motion passed** to approve proposed Board Policy 5410 – Holidays as presented.
- **Motion passed** to approve Board Resolution R.17.06 – In the Matter of Approval of the 2017-18 ESD 112 Compensation Proposal and Salary & Benefits Compensation package as presented.
- **Motion passed** to approve Board Resolution R.17.07 – In the Matter of the 2017-18 ESD 112 Budget as presented.
- **Motion passed** to approve Board Resolution R.17.08 – In the Matter Authorizing the Superintendent to Reduce Programs for the 2017-18 School Year and to Issue Reduction in Force and Other Required Notices as presented.
- **Motion passed** to approve eliminating five (5) early learning slots and discontinuing the Ocean Beach Early Head Start Program.
- *First Reading* of proposed revisions to Board Policies 3000 – Student Series – Phase 1 was reported by Marnie Allen and Eliza Cornelison, *Human Resources Employment Specialist*. The final reading and approval will be requested at the next board meeting.

PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENTS

- Correspondence file reviewed by the board.
- Sandy Donaldson Memorial Service – April 28, 2017– Richard Graham, De Stickel, Ann Campbell, and Steve Wrightson attended and commented on the event.
- Foundation for Vancouver Public Schools Annual Luncheon – May 11, 2017 – Marilyn Koenninger attended and commented on the event.
- AESD Accreditation Panels – May 22-23, 2017 – Richard Graham and Ann Campbell attended and commented on the presentations.

CALENDAR ITEMS

- ESD 112 End of Year Celebration – ESD 112 – June 16, 2017 – 12:00 p.m.
- STEPS Graduation – ESD 112 Longview – June 22, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.
- AESD Executive Board Meeting – NEWESD 101 – June 27, 2017 – 12:00 p.m.
- ESD 112 Board of Directors’ Business Meeting – ESD 112 – June 28, 2017 – 3:00 p.m.
- ESD 112 Board of Directors’ Business Meeting – ESD 112 – August 29, 2017 – 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.



For questions, please contact Terri Tangalin-Piedra, Administrative Assistant to the ESD 112 Board of Directors, at (360) 952-3317 or email: [Approved minutes of the Board of Directors’ meetings are kept in the ESD 112 Administration Offices and are public record.](#)