



BOARD BRIEFS – November 21, 2017

## **ROLL CALL**

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

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The ESD 112 Board of Directors' Business meeting was called to order by President Richard Graham at 3:02 p.m. on November 21, 2017, with a quorum of six members present.

## **REPORTS AND DISCUSSION**

- **Early Head Start and ECEAP Program Report:** Tina Vessey, *Compliance and Quality Assurance Manager and Jackie Brock, Education and School Readiness Manager from Early Care and Education* reviewed the monthly Early Head Start (EHS) program report and provided an update on ECEAP. Tina reported that EHS began serving children at three additional EHS- childcare locations; Hough Early Learning Center and two partner locations with Children's Village. She noted work would continue on licensing of the South Ridge and Kalama sites which were scheduled to open over the next few months. Staff were being trained in the new database they will be using and receiving orientations and professional development around EHS service delivery. Work has begun on development of Policies and Procedures that will be presented to Policy Council for approval over the next several months. She shared a success story of a mother whose family became homeless after a house fire. She enrolled her daughter in EHS which provided her the stability she needed to thrive and prepare for Kindergarten. The mother is a Policy Council Chair member and was recently elected to participate in the Southwest Regional Parent Advisory group. *Corina McEntire, Relationship Based Professional Development Manager*, resigned and her replacement will begin the beginning of December. There was no Policy Council report as they had not yet met in November. Jackie informed the board that the Department of Early Learning had recently rescinded 54 slots from the ECEAP program because they had remained unfilled. She shared that staff had worked hard and explored many strategies to fill the part-time openings but were unable to do so before the deadline. Priority was being placed on maintaining continuity for children, families and existing staff during the restructuring necessary because of the loss of funding.
- **Year End Financial Report:** *Gavin Hottman, Assistant Superintendent and Chief Business Officer for Business and Financial Management*, reviewed a presentation outlining the year-end financials for 2016-2017.
- **On Target 2017 – Accomplishments and Challenges:** Cabinet Members provided a summary of their accomplishments and challenges for the 2016-2017 school year.
- **Superintendent Tim Merlino briefed the board on the following:**
  - A. **Centerville Superintendent Search:** ESD 112 will be conducting the Superintendent search for Centerville to replace *Mark Mansell* who is leaving at the end of the school year.
  - B. **2019 AESD Conference:** Attorney, *Mike Patterson*, from Patterson, Buchanan, Fobes, & Leitch committed to a \$20,000 sponsorship for the 2019 AESD conference being hosted by ESD 112. *Gene Sharratt, AESD Executive Director*, contacted world class mountain climber Ed Viesturs to be a keynote speaker at the event. Additional planning meetings for the conference will be scheduled after the first of the year.
  - C. **Meeting with Senator Braun:** He met with the Senator to discuss the impact of the new funding formula on ESD 112 school districts.

- D. Legislative Forum on December 13: Forum is from 10:30 am – 12:30 pm with lunch to follow. Board members were invited to attend. Legislative priorities for the ESD 112 region were provided in day packets.
  - E. ESD Apportionment (Core Funding): He and Gavin identified an error in how the State funding formula was being calculated for ESDs. This resulted in an additional \$30,000 in 2017-2018. ESDs will also receive an additional \$150,000 in 2018-2019 and another \$140,000 in 2019-2020 as a result of the McCleary settlement. This was good news and would enable the group to change their legislative focus to requests for Mental Health Specialists, Early Learning Coordinator positions and a safety position at each ESD.
  - F. Superintendent Retirement: Glenn Gelbrich, Superintendent for Kelso School District announced his retirement at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.
  - G. AESD Executive Committee: Rainer Houser was elected to serve as the AESD Executive Committee President for the 2018-19 school year.
  - H. Prevention Professional of the Year: *Deb Drandoff, Director for Youth Services at ESD 112* was recently selected as an Exemplary Prevention Leader. She will be recognized at the December board meeting.
  - I. Regional Committee on School District Reorganization: *Amy Chadwick, Regional Committee member for District No. 2*, was recently elected to serve on the Naselle-Grays River Valley School Board so had to resign her position. Tim noted a replacement was being recommended by *Rainer Houser* and would be discussed later in the meeting.
  - J. Request to AESD Network: AESD received a request from the group Healthy Generations seeking endorsement of a bill that would increase the legal smoking age from 18 to 21. He was going to get more information about the group and report back at the December board meeting.
  - K. ESD 112 Holiday Party: Board members were invited to attend the ESD 112 Holiday party and potluck on December 15 at 3:00 pm.
  - L. Carpool Opportunity: Board members wanting to carpool to the airport for the trip to San Antonio on November 28 were asked to meet at ESD 112 at 7:40 am that morning.
- Employee Recognition: Lori Oberheide shared a presentation highlighting employees who received acknowledgements and appreciation of work accomplished. The presentation showcased the following staff members and events:
    - A. Support Staff Praise: OSPI praised the following ESD 112 employees: *Connie Salzman, Administrative Assistant I; Christine Navarrette, Receptionist; Pat Ellis, Help Desk Consultant; Piper and Amiah, Foode Employees; Susan Rahl, Administrative Assistant II and Jon Fulton, Custodial Lead* for their outstanding efforts assisting with a meeting they were hosting at ESD 112.
    - B. Vancouver Business Journal: Featured the nPower Girls partnership with Nautilus.
    - C. Drug Take Back Event: *Kelley Groen, Community Prevention Project Coordinator*, was recognized for facilitating a highly successful event where individuals return unused medications for proper disposal.
    - D. Exemplary Prevention Leader: *Deb Drandoff, Director of Youth Services*, received the 2017 Washington State Prevention Awards of Excellence, “Exemplary Prevention Leader” award. She was nominated by the Washougal School District.
    - E. PEG Grants: All requests submitted this year were fully funded.
    - F. ESD 112 Hootenany: ESD 112 staff had some fun at the annual Hootenany held on October 31. The ESD 112 Fiscal team won first place in the costume contest.
    - G. Community Hero: *Steve Wrightson, ESD 112 Board Member*, had his final retirement celebration. He was commended as a true community hero.
    - H. Wedding: A photo of the daughter of board member, *Darlene Stickel*, was featured.
    - I. EDU-Speak: Two informational videos featuring, *Mike Nerland, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning* were featured. The videos highlight and explain educational topics and will be distributed to school districts.

## **PROPOSALS FOR ACTION**

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- **Motion passed** to approve the consent agenda items including minutes of the ESD 112 Board of Directors’ Meeting – October 24, 2017, ESD 112 Personnel Activity Reports for November 2017, ESD

112 and SWCCC Expenditure Reports for October 2017, and Early Head Start expenditure reports for October 2017.

- **Motion passed** to approve submitting the Community Development Block Grant Application as presented.
- **Motion passed** to approve the EHS-Child Care Partnership Continuation Application as presented
- The first reading of Board Policies Chapter 400 – Business Series – Phase 2 was reported by Marnie Allen. The final reading and approval will be requested at the next board meeting.
- **Motion passed** to approve the second reading of Board Policies Chapter 400-Business Series – Phase 1 Second reading Assigning new numbers as presented effective November 21, 2017.
- **Motion passed** to approve Resolution R.17.12 In the Matter of the Appointment of Mr. Dennis Long to Position No. 2 of the Regional Committee on School District Reorganization to Serve the Remaining Year of a Four-Year Term, 2017-2018, as presented.

## **PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENTS**

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- Correspondence file reviewed by the board.
- Quest Academy tour with the State Board of Education: Richard Graham attended and commented on the tour.
- AESD Executive Board Meeting: Rainer Houser attended and commented on the meeting.

## **CALENDAR ITEMS**

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- AESA 2017 Annual Conference – San Antonio, Texas – November 29 – December 2, 2017
- ESD 112 Board of Directors’ Business Meeting with ESD Connects – FVNT Red Cross Building – December 12, 2017 – 11:30 a.m.
- ESD 112 Legislative Forum – ESD 112 – December 13, 2017 – 10:30 a.m.
- ESD 112 Board of Directors’ Business Meeting – ESD 112 –January 23, 2018 – 3:00 pm
- WASA-WSSDA-WASBO Legislative Conference – Olympia, WA – January 28-29, 2018
- ESD 112 Board of Directors’ Business Meeting – ESD 112 – February 20, 2018 – 3:00 pm

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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The meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.