RIVERVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 407
Minutes of Board of Directors’ Meeting
May 12, 2015
Duvall, WA 98019
Educational Service Center – Board Room

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Van Noy, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mrs. Van Noy, Ms. Fletcher, Mrs. Parnell, Mr. Edwards
Student Representatives: Ms. Amanda Korn, Ms. Sophie Hunter

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ms. Oviatt

COMMUNICATIONS, AGENDA ADJUSTMENT AND HEARING OF PUBLIC

Board Communications

Mrs. Van Noy said Ms. Oviatt was excused from tonight’s meeting. The Board had a Special Board meeting on Monday, April 27, 2015, to interview Sabrina Parnell to replace Greg Bawden, District Director #5. On May 1st the Board conducted an orientation with Mrs. Parnell, and on May 8th the Board had a breakfast work study. Mrs. Van Noy thanked Board members for visiting certificated staff during Certificated Appreciation Week to present them with small tokens of appreciation for all they do for the students of Riverview. She also thanked Dr. Smith and Dr. Heikkila for the emails of appreciation they sent to certificated staff. On April 29th Mrs. Van Noy attended a meeting called “Convening on Race, Equity and Policy” at the Puget Sound ESD (Educational Service District). The Board and Superintendent are currently reading the book, “Mindset” by Dr. Carol Dweck as a book study.

Mr. Edwards wished a “Happy Mother’s Day” to all the moms. He remarked how fun it was to go into the buildings for Certificated Appreciation Week. He got the chance to see Mrs. Feller, who was his son’s fourth grade teacher at Cherry Valley Elementary School.

Ms. Fletcher thanked everyone for helping with Certificated Appreciation Week. On May 26th she will be out of town and will miss the Board work study and Board meeting.

Mrs. Parnell said it was a remarkable and great opportunity to visit Tolt Middle School, ECEAP, Stillwater Elementary and the Educational Service Center to hand out appreciation gifts to certificated staff members.
Agenda Adjustment

Motion 15-23: To amend Consent Agenda, Item C. Personnel Actions; and Item E. Donations, to reflect current changes. (Mrs. Van Noy and Ms. Fletcher) Motion passed unanimously.

Hearing of the Public

None – no one signed up to speak.

Student Representative Report

Ms. Korn and Ms. Hunter reported on the following activities at Cedarcrest High School:

Clubs

ASB: Prom was a huge success! Ms. Korn attended this event, which was held at the Seattle Aquarium. She said it was the best dance ever and even the teachers danced with the students.

DECA: DECA attended the International DECA Conference in Orlando, Florida. There were 18,000 attendees from the US, Canada, Mexico, Spain, Japan and Korea. Cedarcrest had ten attendees in various events and academies. Our highest placing attendee was Ally Fuquay, who was recognized on stage for a top 2 placing in once role play and as a top 15 finalist in Quick Serve Restaurant Management. DECA has two big events on the horizon: May 16th is a “Spring Cleaning” event in which a Goodwill truck will be at the Duvall Safeway collecting donations. For each 24-foot truck that is filled, our chapter will receive $600. We also have the 9th Annual Big Rock Classic Car Show on June 6th at the Duvall Safeway. DECA has begun the process of selecting officers for next year and had 16 applicants for leadership positions next year.

TSA: Our CHS TSA chapter will have 11 students attend Nationals. They will compete in categories such as career, preparing speeches, graphics, video, and TEAMS. The chapter at Tolt Middle School will take nearly 20 students.

GSA: They are in the process of electing new officers. They are also looking into ordering new T-shirts for the club. They plan to participate in the Pride Parade in Seattle this June. They will be walking with adults and other kids from the Bellevue PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) group.

FFA: They will be attending the State competition in Pullman during May 13-17.

NHS: They had a very successful blood drive with approximately 50 donors. Way to go! The 30 hours that each member must complete are due next week.

Thespian Society: The annual spring musical, “High School Musical,” opened last weekend. They will be having more performances this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at 7:00 PM.
Student Representative Report (Continued)

RAK: The Random Acts of Kindness Club will be going to Miracle League Baseball this weekend on Saturday. This is similar to Miracle League Bowling, but playing baseball in Monroe from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Everyone is excited to continue the tradition! Also, officer speeches are this week and the following. So far over 15 people have applied. Hope to keep the kindness levels up!

Robotics: Robotics season has been over for a while, so they are reviewing officer applications and working on recruiting new members.

Sports

Soccer: Soccer has 9 wins and 5 losses in conference. They had a great season with a new varsity coach, Mr. Sánchez. They lost the first playoff game 2-1 at Archbishop, but plan on taking the next one. Good Luck!

Fastpitch Softball: Fastpitch softball has also had an amazing season with 13 wins and 2 losses in conference and 14 wins with 3 losses overall. Congratulations to everyone!

Baseball: Baseball had a great season leaving them with 15 wins and only 2 losses for conference and 16 wins and 5 losses overall. Great job! They had little league yesterday with tons of kids having fun running the bases and getting autographs. In the last game of the regular season they played a 12-inning game that lasted 3 hours and 45 minutes. They won 8-7! They lost the first playoff game, but are ready to swing for the next playoff, which is tonight. Good luck!

Track and Field: Track and field has been doing really well this season with lots of PRs! Last Thursday was Conference at Kings and the “last chance meet” to qualify for Subdistricts was on Friday. Subdistricts are being held this Wednesday and Friday at Cedarcrest. Some unfortunate news was Kristi Bartz, a track athlete from Archbishop Murphy High School, died this week. Due to her untimely death, a lot of Archbishop athletes will not be competing; so we will remember her with a moment of silence and wear their school’s colored ribbons in support of the families and community.

CONSENT AGENDA

A list of routine agenda items were considered in a single motion. Board members received and studied background information on all items.

Motion 15-24: To approve the May 12, 2015, Consent Agenda, as amended. (Mr. Edwards and Mrs. Parnell) Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Regular School Board Meeting Minutes for April 28, 2015; Special Board Meeting Minutes for April 27, 2015; and Board Work Study Minutes for April 28, 2015, May 1, 2015, and May 8, 2015.
CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

Approval of Warrants.
General Fund Warrant No. 196216 through 196285 in the amount of $117,609.71; and direct deposits of $18,882.88; Capital Projects Fund Warrant No. 196286 through 196290 in the amount of $66,113.46; and direct deposits of $1,674.86; ASB Fund Warrant No. 196291 through 196302 in the amount of $6,753.37 and direct deposits of $550.00. Total payroll for April 30, 2015, was $2,142,937.47; includes General Fund Warrant No. 196303 through 196308 (Employee Warrants) in the amount of $6,449.67 and General Fund Warrant No. 196309 through 196361 (Payroll Vendor Warrants) in the amount of $723,095.61 and direct deposits of $1,018,837.29.

Approval of Personnel Actions.
The Board acknowledged the retirement of Belinda Feller, fourth grade teacher at Cherry Valley Elementary, who has worked for the district since 1985. She not only taught Mr. Edwards' son, but Mrs. Van Noy's son as well! She will be missed by all.

Approval of Service Contracts.

Approval of Donations.
The Board acknowledged the generous donation from the Tolt Middle School PTSA for the purchase of radios.

BUSINESS

Healthy Youth Survey Results

Dr. Ken Heikkila, Director of Student Services, presented the Healthy Youth Survey results to the Board in a brief summary, which included a summary of the topics covered, timeline for data analysis and sharing, and data review highlights. Sixth, eighth, tenth, and twelfth grade students take the survey every two years. Some of the promising data included: Overall rates of feeling safe at school, enjoy being at school, and not bullied at school are good (especially in the sixth and seventh grades where our students have better rates than the state average; alcohol and drug use is lower with our students in sixth, eighth and tenth grades compared to the state average; and bullying incidents are lower for tenth and twelfth graders, which could be due to Link Crew mentoring and HIB lessons in freshmen classes which were implemented three years ago. Some data needing further follow-up included the following: In each grade level there are a high number of kids (34% for sixth grade, increasing in each age group up to 53% for tenth graders) who have been in a car while someone is texting or e-mailing while driving in the last 30 days; and the incidence in depression in eighth grade jumps from 22.6% to 35.5% in tenth grade and by tenth grade, roughly one in four students report they seriously considered suicide.

Dr. Heikkila reported that Riverview has developed data summaries for each grade level, as well as a longitudinal trend data summaries for the Class of 2015, Class of 2017, Class of 2019, and the Class of 2021. He will send the summaries to the Board per their request.

The Board asked questions and commented on some of the results.
Healthy Youth Survey Results (Continued)

Dr. Heikkila said this data is used to help identify things that need to be done. Dr. Smith added that the district’s two year plan for student support is to add another full-time counselor to Cedarcrest next year. Then heading into fall of 2016, the plan is to have full-time counselors on site at the elementary schools. Just like with academics, early prevention and intervention is a real key to helping students. Also in the fall of 2016, the district will be implementing all day kindergarten and articulating services down to preschool and early childhood. It is a lot of little things well done that are research-based that are going to make a difference.

Dr. Heikkila said more groups of staff are actually looking and utilizing the data gained from the Healthy Youth Survey, which includes the nursing staff, psychologists, and counselors. With full-time counselors at the different schools, we have more opportunities to see and know what is happening with kids and the supports that we can actually put into place.

The Board thanked Dr. Heikkila sharing this report.

Board Agenda Topics

The Board added or changed the following agenda items:

- Add work study to discuss Superintendent’s Evaluation – Tuesday, May 26th from 4:30-5:30 PM (Dr. Smith will send out proposed goals to the School Board.)
- Add work study about assessments with Greg Lobdell from The Center for Educational Effectiveness – Tuesday, May 26th from 5:30-6:45 PM
- Reminder of the Snoqualmie Community Network “Rise and Shine Breakfast” from 7:30 to 9:30 AM at the Riverview Educational Service Center. The student reps are also invited to attend.

Ms. Bechtel will send out calendar invites for each added event.

2015-2020 Strategic Plan Review

It was requested at the last Board meeting to have this added as an agenda item, since feedback on the 2015-2020 Strategic Plan is due into Robin Nordquist by May 18, 2015. Dr. Smith explained that the feedback gathered from the Community Forum is imbedded into the plan. About 20% of the input included things the district is already doing; another 20% didn’t actually align with our Strategic Plan; and the other 60% produced excellent ideas to be incorporated into the 2015-2020 Strategic Plan. Those ideas were written into tasks for the 2015-2016 school year and tasks for the future 2016-2020 school years.

The Board went over the plan and will send any comments, corrections, or additions to Dr. Smith or Robin Nordquist.

Second Reading, Policy #2080 – High School Graduation Requirements

As reported at the last meeting, this policy is being revised to reflect the elimination of the Senior Project.
Second Reading, Policy #2080 – High School Graduation Requirements (Continued)

Motion 15-25: To approve Policy #2080 – High School Graduation Requirements, for second reading. (Mr. Edwards and Ms. Fletcher) Motion passed unanimously.

Student Reps Dismissed

Board President Van Noy excused Ms. Korn and Ms. Hunter at 8:00 PM.

REPORTS

Enrollment Report

Dr. Smith first reminded Board members that the district is predicting a 1% student growth for the 2015-2016 school year. We are currently getting excellent kindergarten numbers for next year and have already added an extra All Day Kindergarten class to both Cherry Valley Elementary and Stillwater Elementary. We will have one less section of half-day kindergarten. This alone will give us a 1% increase in student enrollment next year if the student numbers at other grade levels stay the same.

Dr. Smith reported that between April and May, we are down about 5.5 students, while last month we gained 1.78 students. This tends to follow the same trend from previous years during the months of April and May.

Legislative Report

Mr. Edwards said there is not much to report, because neither side of the Legislature is budging. The Senate has passed a budget, as well as the House and Governor; just not the same budget. The current special session ends at the end of May and it looks like they will probably need another special session. It has been such a source of frustration, since neither side wants to make the first move. Due to the McCleary decision, the Legislature has to have a plan in place to imply fund basic education. Mr. Edwards also reported that I-1351, which lowers class sizes, is being reworked by both the House and Senate to possibly send back to the voters again, explaining the cost to do this (which is approximately $8 billion).

The Board will add “Legislative Report” to the May 26th Board meeting agenda.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Smith reported on the following:

• The REA (Riverview Education Association) Executive Board met last night to discuss their membership results about a future walkout, which was voted down. Right now so much is going on with student learning, as well as high stakes events for students like AP testing and activities that students have been looking forward to all year long. REA is considering other actions.
• He met informally with and formally with Marc Hillestad, REA President.
Superintendent Report (Continued)

- There is a high concern among school districts regarding levy swap and levy lids. The Bellevue School Board wrote a letter to the Legislature expressing their concerns.
- The 6-year and 20-year Capital Facilities plans are complete and will be presented at the next Board meeting. He has enjoyed working with Mr. Adamo on this.
- He attended the following:
  o Pre-Construction Meeting on April 27th for the new Information Technology Center
  o Opened up the Educational Service Center on Saturday, May 2nd to Carnation-Duvall Helping Corps for the Lake Margaret Wild Fire Drill
  o Superintendents’ Conference on May 3-5 where he received updates on the state legislature, including how funding hasn’t been increased since 2007. It looks like at the federal level, the ESEA Secondary-Elementary Act will be repurposed and redone in a more coherent way.
- He is excited about the new model for Professional Learning Leaders. Interviews are scheduled for Thursday. This will add a whole other level of elevating professional learning in our district to compliment what we already have.
- He met with Paul Censullo, Director of Technology, to add work spaces in the technology area for the new Professional Learning Leaders (PLL). The PLL’s will probably be working with teachers during about 75% of their work schedule, just as Karen Mayfield, Elementary Technology Specialist, has modeled this in such an outstanding way.

Mrs. Parnell asked if Ms. Rumsey, Director of Teaching and Learning, could send her information (job description) for the Professional Learning Leaders. Ms. Rumsey will send this out to all Board members.

Mrs. Van Noy thanked Dr. Smith for his report.

Mrs. Van Noy said she will be sending out the Superintendent Evaluation Report to Board members to review prior to their work study on May 26th.

Ms. Fletcher said she will be out from May 21-30, so she will miss the May 21st Board Leadership meeting, the May 26th Board meeting, and the May 26th work studies. Mr. Edwards offered to attend the Board Leadership meeting on May 21st in Ms. Fletcher’s place.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mrs. Van Noy adjourned the May 12, 2015, Board meeting at 8:25 PM.

[Signatures]

Board President

Board Secretary

MINUTES PREPARED BY

Sandy Bechtel, Recording Secretary to the Board of Directors.