

FW: Lively - 'Biggest Boat' on Both Coasts! (note hyperlink to info on 'big boat' on prior message below.

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Hello Tim,

While I expect you do not have any answers much less direction from the board, here are the main points. What about the district divesting itself from the Lively? There is a ten year obligation to maintain 'a similar use' so there is no bar from selling the Lively, as stipulated by Washington State Department of Commerce. Sell and invest proceeds directly into smaller one or two man sailing vessels so all of the kids can learn to sail. Vessels that both satisfy the running obligations until 2030

for the term on that \$25,000 commerce department, grant. Or the alternative is to open up sailing training and all uses to all students attending SKSD as was promised by the skipper of the Lively as justification to purchase this vessel. This is what NJROTC representative for SK promised the past board for directors.

Also, ask the community how they feel about owning a 44' Sloop that only a handful of NJROTC students have the privilege of using. Find out how eager the community is to continue funding this venture. An alternative if sharing is not wanted as promised, then transfer all expenses associated with this boat over to NJROTC since they are the sole users. I understand that the skipper of the Lively is a go to guy for the representative that helped to secure the \$25K grant to do more work and maintenance on the Lively, and that the districts 'responsibility' to keep the Lively now runs till approximately the year 2032.

In reading all the docs, the district is not precluded from selling the boat and using proceeds to continue a sailing training and education program. Why not buy a small fleet of two man sailing dinghies? I understand that the Naval Academy on occasion also surveys (sells off or donates) these smaller sailing vessels. That might a very affordable source of getting a small fleet of training dinghies.

Lastly, I wonder, was this recent State of Washington Department of Commerce grant to SKSD (via SKPEF) run by the school board before a ten year obligation to keep the Lively was decided? To answer my own question, apparently not since I sure did not see it on any board agenda. NJROTC and SKPEF (which you are a board member along with Dir. Sebren) appear to have made all the decisions and commitments for us SKSD rate/tax payers. I am of course not ok with that, but that should be no surprise to you, With you on the SKPEF and a board director and the district PAO - isn't it about time that the community be made aware of what is going on with this quite exclusive use of a SKSD asset?

Hoping to hear from you soon, better yet hope to see this issue put on the board director's agenda. It is election time, maybe if the press mentions this 44' racing sloop owned by SKSD, some of those hoping to be elected to the board

might have some comment/feedback on how they feel about this issue. At the end of the day, the vessel is in SKSD name, not SKPEF! They are the go to money source that states the following credo on their website. A website by the way that links directly to SKSD's website. I find that a bit odd to be honest. The highlighted bullet should, I think, give the school board pause for concern.

Sincerely,
Dave Kimble, for:
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Direct link to info on the 44' Lively: <https://citizensupportingsouthkitsapschooldistrict.com/sksd-44-sailboat-lively.html>

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- Provide funding for present and future programs or emerging needs that cannot be provided with public funds.
- Secure resources both inside and outside the community like grant opportunities only available to non-governmental entities.
- Avoid the legal and political limitations attached to school district funding.
- Engage the community in the support of education while helping students achieve excellence.

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Hi Tim,

Likely, that you did see this post already, but - is there going to be work on this at your level to change what is going on with the Lively? Some folks do not realize that by accepting the Commerce grant (2019) the District is now on the hook to keep the Lively till around 2031, unless they sell and buy similar use. If this boat is really worth \$35K (per cost to do purchase and sale with the State), I think that could well-fund a small fleet of Hobie Cats so all the kids can learn to sail. I am sure you saw the proposal to buy the Lively in the past in which the program was intended to be inclusive of all SKSD students' ages between 14 - 18. Pretty sure you are also keeping track of this SKPEF since you are on their board, which I think has ethical implications not so attractive to the District. Ditto for a board director being on that board and the SKSD PAO Officer.

As would be expected, grant money from state or feds is still taxpayer money and grants are getting no so easy to win these days. Notable another grant was had by SKPEF recently for the NJROTC people. How long can a few enjoy the Lively while the remaining district students no so fortunate remain stranded?

Sincerely,
David

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