

**NESPELEM SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Regular Meeting**

**Meeting Date / Time**

2/24/2025 @ 6:00 p.m.

**Location**

Nespelem School District

**Members Present**

Jolene P Marchand, Chair  
Nancy Armstrong Montes, Vice  
Jarae Cate, Director  
Annette Moses, Director  
Anna Vargas, Director

**MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER** – Meeting called to order by Jolene Marchand, Chair @ 6:03 p.m. followed by the flag salute and the Land Acknowledgment (led by Nancy Armstrong- Montes) as well.

**WELCOME OF STAFF / GUESTS** – Effie Dean, Superintendent Nikkie Maceda, Business Manager, Keta Cline, Principal, Dave Cirk, Facilities Manager, Ron Ferescas AD, and Scott Hunter's AI (GCD STAR).

**ADOPTION OF REGULAR AGENDA** (Changes to the Agenda) - Nancy made a motion that the agenda be approved, Jarae seconded. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** –Nancy made a motion that the attached minutes for January 27, 2025 (Regular Meeting) be approved, Anna seconded, motion carried.

**PRESENTATION:** Zekkethal Vargas-Thomas - Zekkethal was not in attendance at the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA –**

Nancy made a motion to approve the February warrants #51182, #51206 and 900001506 – 9000001534 totaling \$287,115.50 for payroll and #51134 - #51179, totaling \$77,725.00, for AP be approved. Jarae seconded and the motion carried.

**BOARD REPORTS**

- A. Business Manager's Report & Resolution / Transfer - Nikkie provided the monthly report. Her report reflected the following monthly fund balances: General Fund \$5,926,259.41, Capital Projects \$315,199.54, Debt Services \$0.00, ASB \$22,863.94 and Transportation \$238,096.21. She then presented the Resolution and transfer of funds (up to one million dollars), #2025-03 into Capital Funds for the CTE Facilities Project. There were no further questions on finances.

- B. Parent Advisory Report - No report was submitted from the Parent Committee. And no representative was present.
- C. Maintenance / Transportation Report – Dave provided the winter report. There were no further questions.
- D. Athletic Director Report – Ron Frescas presented his report. The Board asked if there would be transportation for students playing baseball at LR, starting next week. Effie said yes. Jarae asked why they were notified late about wrestling changes. Ron said that there were changes made using Arbiter and so it should not happen again. There were no further questions.
- E. Counselor Report – Desirae Bear Eagle was not present. There were no further questions asked.
- F. ASB – Debbie Bays was not present. There were no questions asked.
- G. Culture Report - Marion Ives submitted a Culture report, along with the ASB Report. There were no questions.
- H. ALE – Mark Herndon was not present. There were no questions on his report.
- I. Principal's Report – Keta presented her report. She stated that they were collaborating with CCT YDT on several projects, including truancy & tutoring. There were no questions on her report.
- J. Superintendent / Principal's Report – Effie shared the mid-year academic report for the secondary grades. Effie stated that the students were showing steady progress on the in-district progress monitoring tool, but the progress still did not show up on the state assessment. Jolene expressed disappointment in the lack of improvement on the state assessment. Effie stated that they were trying multiple tactics in order for students to show their growth, which was evident from the progress monitoring tool. There were no further questions.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Streaming Camera – Effie shared Eric's quote from Huddle, for the use of one stable or two, including a mobile camera, plus streaming services. Anna asked if we could check out NFHS, which many other local Districts used. Effie said that she would ask Eric and get back to them with the information.
- B. EASIE I Application - Nancy made a motion to approve EASIE I APP. Jarae seconded, the motion carried.
- C. Policy Updates - Effie stated that they still had not received the SPED Policy update from WSSDA.
- D. "OLD" Title IX – 3205, First Reading – Effie stated that this was the one policy that WSSDA was telling them to change per the recent Executive Orders. Anna stated that she wanted to compare the 2020 policy, that the state was advising, to the 2024 version, which they stated was now illegal. Effie stated that she would have them both next month.
- E. CTE Framework (4) - Nancy made a motion that the new CTE Frameworks for Automotive, Culinary, Plant and Business Math be approved for next year. Jarae seconded and the motion carried.
- F. CTE Facility – Solar Energy & Proposal - Effie asked the Board to approve Studio Plus Architects proposal, which was recommended by the Construction Committee; solar energy will be part of the final proposal. She also asked that the Resolution



#2025-03, to transfer funds & extend the budget for the CTE Facility into Capital Project funds, be approved. Jarar made a motion and Anna seconded. The motion carried.

- G. Monthly Noon Zoom – Effie asked if the Board wanted to break the monthly meetings into two on the fourth Monday of the month, with the Consent Agenda and reports section in a zoom at noon and the NEW & OLD Business Section running in the evening the same day. The Board decided they would try it, starting next month; Nancy made a motion to approve the change and Jarar seconded, motion carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Two Year Calendar SY 25/26 & 26/27 – The members, including Nancy, stated that they were disappointed with the draft and pointed out several changes that they believed needed to happen and requested that the calendars be sent back to the Union once again. Anna asked that graduation be moved to the Saturday of Memorial weekend. Effie stated that she thought that would be an issue with the Union, but that she would present the request to them. Anna also stated that she would see if any community members would be willing to help out with the ceremony.
- B. Human Resources – List & Keta B-Ball Report - The Board moved this item to Executive Session.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION – RCW 42.30.110 (PERSONNEL)**

- A. NEA Negotiations

Jolene moved the Board into Executive Session at 8:08 for an hour. She moved the session out at 9:02 pm.

#### **CLOSING BUSINESS –**

Nancy made a motion to accept the resignation of Barbara Quintasket for the 2025 – 26 SY. Jarar seconded it and the motion carried.

Nancy made a motion to approve the transfer of Keelee Wilder-Boozer into the Secondary Science position for the 2025 – 26 SY. Anna seconded, motion carried.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION – RCW 42.30.110 (PERSONNEL)**

- B. Superintendent Evaluation Form

Jolene moved the Board back into Executive Session at 9:22 for an hour. She moved the session out at 10:20 pm.

#### **CLOSING BUSINESS –**

There was no closing business after the second Executive Session.

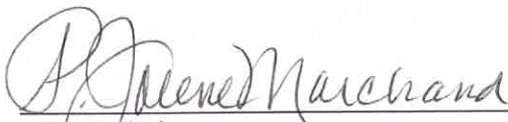
**ADJOURNED --** The meeting was adjourned by Jolene Marchand at 11:08 pm.

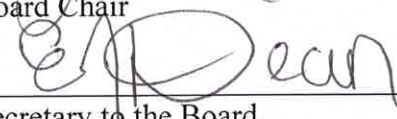
#### **NEXT MEETING:**

- March 25, 2025 @ Noon & 6:00 p.m.

## EVENTS

- March 27, 2025 End of Quarter
- March 31, 2025 No School – Spring Break

  
Board Chair

  
Secretary to the Board

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