

NESPELEM SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Regular Meeting

Meeting Date / Time

3/25/2025 @ 12:00 pm / 6:00 p.m. Nespelem School District

Location

Members Present

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

MEETING MINUTES

PART I

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting called to order by Jolene Marchand, Chair @ 12:00 p.m. followed by the flag salute and the Land Acknowledgment (led by Nancy Armstrong- Montes) as well.

WELCOME OF STAFF / GUESTS

– 12:00 pm - Effie Dean, Superintendent, Nikkie Maceda, Business Manager, and Scott Hunter's AI (GCD STAR). No Public Comment.
– 6:00 pm - Effie Dean, Superintendent, Keta Cline, Principal, Val Vargas, (CCT), Meghan Francis, (CCT), Nicholas Lewis, (CCT) 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 –Jolene asked that Nancy's disappointment with the calendar submitted to the Board be noted in the minutes. Nancy made a motion that the attached minutes for February 24, 2025 (Regular Meeting) be approved with corrections, Annette seconded, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA – Board Members asked why Riley's pay was so high this month. Effie stated that she would look into this. Nancy made a motion to approve the March warrants (assuming Riley's paycheck was correct), #51259# - #51289, and 9000001535 - 9000001564 totaling \$278,445.19 for payroll and #51208 - #51258, totaling \$210,658.42 for AP be approved. Anna 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 \$5,951,545.43, Capital Projects \$316,205.25, Debt Services \$0.00, ASB \$23,679.31

and Transportation \$238,853.02. There were no further questions on finances except that Nancy made a comment that the fund balance had increased over the past year. Annette asked about Federal money. Effie stated that protests should continue against Federal funding to schools disappearing, but that currently there had been no mention of Impact Aid being cut.

- B. Parent Advisory Report - No report was submitted from the Parent Committee.
- C. Maintenance / Transportation Report – Dave was not present. There were no questions on his report about the bus inspections.
- D. Athletic Director Report – Ron Frescas was not present. Anna asked if we were denied access to the Soap Lake League? Also, is there going to be summer bball league? There were no further questions on his report.
- E. not present. There were no further questions asked.
- F. ASB – Debbie Bays was not present. Jolene asked if there was a way to advertise fund raisers to the Community? There were no other questions asked.
- G. Culture Report - Marion Ives submitted a Culture Report. Annette commented that she liked to hear that the students were involved in basket weaving, drumming and language. She also asked if little recorders could be purchased to help the students work on their Salish. Further, she would like the Culture teacher to attend the Salish Conference in March at Northern Quest. There were no other questions.
- H. ALE – Mark Herndon was not present. Jolene commented that she was happy the program was growing. Anna stated that she heard that Methow Valley had Driver's ED. Effie said she would call and find out. There were no questions on his report.
- I. Principal's Report – Keta submitted her report. There were no questions.
- J. Superintendent / Principal's Report – Effie shared her summary of the Superintendent evaluation Tool. She stated her current goals and the direction she hoped to move in the future. There were no questions.

RECESS: Jolene called a RECESS at 12:56 pm until 6 pm.

PART II:

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting called to order by Jolene Marchand, Chair @ 6:01 p.m.

PRESENTATION:

- A. Cameron GoLightly of Studio's Plus Architects, presented the basic CTE Facility design with an east west, or north south option. The Board stated they preferred the east west version. Jolene asked that solar options be included as well as gutters for catching water. Anna asked about windows, and Keta about sensors in the bathrooms. Cameron stated he would make note of all of their requests.
- B. Zekkethal Vargas-Thomas - Zekkethal & her team (Meghan Francis & Nicholas Lewis) from the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (CCT), presented the Northstar Intervention Program. They explained that it is community based and will have a ten year timeline, with the goal of combatting substance abuse. Currently they are meeting with various organizations to present the model. Our students will be asked to complete a survey within the next six months. The end result will be a healthier community.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Communities in Schools of NCW Grant – Effie shared that this grant would help pay for the Counseling Assistant program that they hope to create next school year. Nancy made a motion to approve the Community in Schools of BCW Grant and Annette seconded, the motion carried.
- B. Travel Approval - Nancy made a motion to approve the following travel plans: Language Field Trip, College Campus Visit, Lost Lake, Prom, and the EOY Waterslides Field Trip. Jarae seconded, the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Web Upgrade- Effie told the Board that Eric, the IT Staff Member stated that a WEB site with a platform like LR's would cost 25,000 to 30,000 more than what they were currently paying. She agreed to find them several quotes.
- B. Sports Camera Streaming costs - The Board asked that Effie provide quotes on the various fees associated with HUDL & NFHS services.
- C. Two Year Calendar SY 25/26 & 26/27 - The Board agreed to approve the next two SY calendars, except for the graduation dates. It was decided that a survey would go out to the parents on their preference for a graduation day. Nancy made a motion, Annette seconded, and the motion carried.
- D. Policy 3205 – Title IX (Old & New), Second Reading - Nancy made a motion that the 2020 version of policy 3205 be adopted, per recommendations from WSSDA. Annette seconded and the motion carried. Both Nancy & Anna preferred the language in the 2024 version.
- E. Human Resources – Summer School / Attendance Binder / Sports Talk - Nancy made a motion that four certified positions be created for summer school and all coaching positions be posted each year. Further, that Roweena Antoine be approved as Assistant Track Coach. Jarae seconded and the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – RCW 42.30.110 (PERSONNEL)

- A. Superintendent Evaluation
Jolene moved the Board into Executive Session at 8:33 for an hour. She moved the session out at 9:40 pm.

CLOSING BUSINESS –

There was no closing business.

ADJOURNED -- The meeting was adjourned by Jolene Marchand at 9:45 pm.

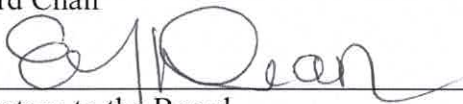
NEXT MEETING:

- April 28, 2025 @ Noon & 6:00 p.m.

EVENTS

- April 01-03, 2025 No School – Spring Break
- April 07-10, 2025 Parent/Teacher Conferences

Board Chair

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sean", written over a horizontal line.

Secretary to the Board

Date

4-28-25

Date