

NESPELEM SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Special Meeting with GCDS Board

Meeting Date / Time

3/5/2024 @ 6:00 p.m.

Location

SIAM, GCDS

Members Present

P. Jolene Marchand, Chair
Nancy Armstrong-Montes, Vice
Anna Vargas, Director
Annette Moses, Director
GCDS Board

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting called to order by Richard Black, GCDS Board Chair @ 6:03 p.m. followed by the flag salute.

FLAG SALUTE– Rich Black

WELCOME OF STAFF / GUESTS – Dr. Effie Dean, Nespelem Superintendent, Rod Broadnax, GCDS Superintendent and GCDS Board Members Richard Black, Shannon Nicholson and George LaPlace, Deidre Ellsworth and Alex Tufts were in attendance. CCT Chair Jerod Erickson & Scott Hunter of the STAR were both present as well. Each Board Member was asked to introduce themselves to the group.

ADOPTION OF SPECIAL AGENDA (No Changes to the Agenda are allowed) Shannon made a motion to approve the agenda & Deidre seconded, the motion carried.

BOARD REPORTS

- A. GCDS Superintendent, Mr. Broadnax spoke about the importance and benefits of the two Districts working in collaboration.
- B. Nespelem Superintendent, Dr. Dean spoke about bridging the gap for students between the two Districts.

NEW BUSINESS

- C. Joint Sports Updates - Effie stated that the LR AD had told the NSD AD that students could not participate. Rod said that they had been contacted by WIAA and that NSD needed to fill out a form. Effie said that she would contact them tomorrow. Anna added that Nespelem would like to know directly if a student of theirs got into trouble while playing sports at LR. Rod said that he would speak to their AD about this. There were also many comments about the state basketball tournament. Many students experienced racial slurs, which were reported and even an announcer was dismissed from the games. On a positive note, appreciation for the Brewster band was noted, as they stayed and played for LR.
- D. IAG- Tuition Agreement -Chair Rich Black provided a data sheet on the details of the IAG. Effie spoke up and stated that the data sheet did not provide the information needed to fill the IAG formulas. Council Chair Jerred Erickson stated that he wished the schools would just split the money. Chair Jolene announced that the IAG funds were not the same as FTE funding from

the state. These funds were to replace missing levy dollars, duty to the lack of taxable land in the District. The GCDSB Board voted to offer the existing rate of 75% of the IAG funding to the receivers and 25% to the senders in the proposed Tuition Agreement for the 2025 Application, now in process. Effie stated that the NSD Board would consider their offer, which needs to be finalized before the end of June.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Future Combined Events - Several spring event options were discussed: a joint mini-Blooms Day in April at LR, a Spring Festival at the Government Center in May and a Dual Superintendent "Coffee with Parents" event at the Agency as well. Future dates will be decided through email.

Nancy commented on a possible Land Acknowledgement for LR and also asked if LR would be moving to a four day week calendar? Rod stated that he was told by the ESD that GCDSB was not able to make that move, but he would be checking with OSPI.


B. Future Combined Meeting – Next meeting will be planned for May 14, 2024 @ 6 pm on the current location.

ADJOURNED -- The meeting was adjourned by Rich at 7:56 pm, motioned by Shannon and seconded by George, motion carried.

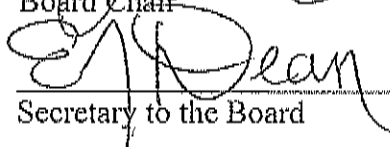
Next meeting:

March 25, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. –

Regular Board Meeting



Board Chair



Secretary to the Board

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NESPELEM SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Regular Meeting

Meeting Date / Time
3/25/2024 @ 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 @ 6:09 p.m. followed by the flag salute and the Land Acknowledgment (led by Anna Vargas) as well.

WELCOME OF STAFF / GUESTS – Effie Dean, Superintendent, Keta Cline, Assistant Principal, Dave Cirk, Facilities Director, Ron Frescas, Athletic Director, Nikkie Maceda, Business Manager, Lisa Vaughn, NEA REP, Zekkethal Vargas(parent) & Scott Hunter of the GCD STAR.

PUBLIC COMMENT - Jolene asked if anyone wished to make a Public Comment. Zekkethal shared that she had come and worked with the Staff on suicide prevention, but would like to do a follow-up. She also stated that she was willing to help the Board work through the Threat Policy Review in the near future. Lastly, she mentioned the auto crash simulation at the Tribal Agency on the 18th. No one wished to comment.

ADOPTION OF REGULAR AGENDA (Changes to the Agenda) -- Effie stated that Jarae had requested that “Air Quality” be added to the agenda. Nancy made a motion and Anna seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Nancy motioned that the listed minutes be approved with corrections & Anna seconded, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS – Anna asked why Effie was reimbursed for a flight. Effie explained that Cascade did not have a minimum payment option, therefore even though the ESD AP paid the bill, they did not pay the entire bill, so therefore the card was temporarily closed. This meant that Effie had to pay for her own flight to the NAFIS conference and needed to be reimbursed. Jolene asked if ESD was supplying all of the District’s SPED services and Effie responded that they only provided a psychologist. Northwest Therapies currently provided most

of the district's therapists for the SPED students, as they worked more hours for less and did not charge us on days they did not come, unlike the ESD. Nancy made a motion that warrants #50245- #50273 totaling \$26270,630.42 for payroll and #50197 - #50244 totaling \$197,170.71 for AP be approved. Jarac seconded and the motion carried.

BOARD REPORTS

- A. Parent Advisory & Student ASB -- no parent report was submitted, but Effie reported that there were many people at the last meeting, There were no questions about the ASB Student Report.
- B. Business Manager's Financial Update- Nikkie presented her monthly report on the monthly fund balances: General Fund \$4,928,466.82, Capital Projects \$281,939.14, Debt Services \$0.00, ASB \$25,569.15 and Transportation \$181,267.38. There were no further questions on finances.
- C. Maintenance / Transportation Report – Dave reported that the vehicles had all passed inspection last week. Also, due to the accident in the parking lot, they would be installing a guard rail soon. There were no further questions.
- D. Athletic Director- Ron stated that track had started this week. Also, the District needed to decide whether they would do regular or flag football next year. Jarac asked to check if there were other leagues available. There were no further questions.
- E. Counselor Report – The report was included in the Board Packet. There were no questions.
- F. Elementary & Secondary Reports- The report was included in the Board Packet. There were no questions.
- G. Assistant Principal – Keta shared that there will be a staff versus student basketball game this month. She also demonstrated the use of the new electronic HALL PASS" system. There were no more questions.
- H. Superintendent / Principal's Report – Effie reported on the mid-year Elementary academic scores. She also compared them to the scores from last year at the same time of year. There have been increases, especially in mathematics. Reading has been slower to move forward. She then moved into recommending the District using the newly acquired Title III funding to pay for El Achieve, a Language Acquisition program, similar to GLAD strategies. There were no further questions.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Policy – 3415 – 3424 First Reading -- Nancy motioned that the policies be moved to the second reading, except for 3415, which had recently been updated and Jarac seconded, motion carried.
- B. Contracts (Admin & Certificated) - Anna asked that this item be moved to Executive session.
- C. was not available yet; the opening date was changed.
- D. April BM Change - Due to the Staff Members of the Year Awards the night of the 22nd, the Board voted to move the April Board Meeting to the 24th @ 6:30 pm. Nancy made a motion & Jarac seconded, the motion carried.

- E. SY Calendar 2024-25 – Due to the change in State “B” Basketball, the Board moved to change the mid-winter break next year from March to February (see attached calendar). Nancy made a motion & Jarae seconded, the motion carried.
- F. BOA- The Board looked through the Building Assessments and moved to approve the report. Nancy made a motion & Annette seconded, the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Policy – 3242, 3243, 3244, 3245, 3246, 3410, 3411, 3412, 3413, 3414 - Second Reading - Jarae made a motion that policy 3242, 3243, 3244, 3246, 3411, 3412, 3413 & 3414 be approved, while 3245 & 3410 be TABLED. Nancy seconded and motion carried.
- B. Policy – 2190, 3115, 3122, 3141, 3143, 3225, 3232, 3241 & 5010, Third Reading – Jarae made a motion that policies 3123 & 3143 be approved, while 3122, 2190, 5010, 3115, 3141, 3225, & 3241 be TABLED. Nancy seconded. Motion carried.
- C. Threat & Discipline Policies - Members decided that the Special Board Meeting would be held on June 4th to discuss these items. The time limits on the meeting would run from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.
- D. Tuition Agreement - The Board’s counter offer to GCSDS involving the division of Impact Aid funding was as follows: Nespelem is offering 72.5% of the funds to the Receiving District and 27.5% to the Sending District for 11th & 12th grade students. For students in grades Kinder through tenth grade, 65% to the Receiving District and 35% to the Senders. The agreement would be applied to the 2025 APP only. The Board also wanted to remind GCSD that they are required to send student counts & provide reports on how the funding was spent each month, which has been previously requested, but not provided. Nancy made a motion & Anna seconded, the motion carried.
- E. Human Resources - The Board voted to approve the resignation of Julia Gendron & the hiring committee’s recommendations to hire Riley Epperson & Kylee Vera. Anna made a motion & Annette seconded, the motion carried.
Further the Board voted to keep the position of Office Assistant permanently, as if was originally only supposed to be an intern position for a year. Nancy made a motion & Anna seconded, the motion carried.
- F. Air Quality- Jarae stated that her son was constantly having allergic reactions from being at school and she wanted the building air quality tested. Effie reminded the Board that the entire facility had been tested by Fulcrum Environmental less than two years ago and all readings had returned in the healthy range. Jolene said they should move forward with the testing anyway. Effie said she had already called the ESD and they said she would have to call Clear Risk. She told the Board she would follow through with the call. Dave will report on HVAC maintenance next month as well.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – RCW 42.30.110 (PERSONNEL)

Jolene moved the meeting into Executive Session for thirty minutes at 9:27 pm. She later moved the meeting out of Executive Session at 9:57 pm.

CLOSING BUSINESS – The Board voted to approve all of the Certified Contracts included in the Board Packet, as well as the 3.7% ipd increase, including the PSE salary schedule, along with the Administrative contracts for Effie Dean (Superintendent) & Keta (Principal). Nancy made a motion to approve the contracts & ipd, Jarae seconded, motion carried.

ADJOURNED -- The meeting was adjourned by Jolene Marchand at 10:00 pm.

NEXT MEETINGS:

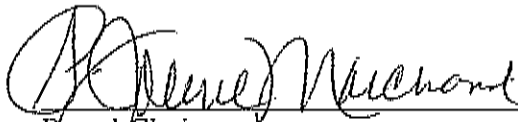
April 24, 2024 at 6:30 pm

Regular Meeting

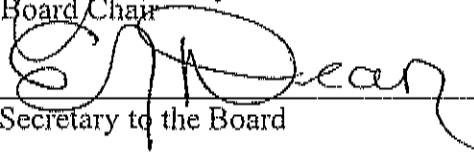
EVENTS:

April 1 – 5, 2024

Spring Break (No school)



Board Chair



Secretary to the Board

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