

**BAINBRIDGE ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 303  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Date:** February 9, 2012

**Place:** Bainbridge High School Library

**Board of Directors Present**

President – Patty Fielding

Vice-President – Mary Curtis

Directors – John Tawresey, Mike Spence

**Excused**

Tim Kinhead

**Call to Order**

5:35 p.m. – Board President Patty Fielding called the meeting to order and a quorum was recognized.

**Public Comment**

Citizen Jerry Elfendahl delivered petitions requesting the West Bainbridge High School campus entry street be named Martin Luther King, Jr. Way N.W. In addition, Mr. Elfendahl provided a sample sign and read a letter addressed to the Board explaining the rationale behind the request. (A copy of the letter is available upon request.)

Citizen Rod Stevens shared a recent conversation with his daughter regarding science and math, which generated concerns about the engagement of students in their learning. Mr. Stevens encouraged the district to continue to review the rigor of its curriculum and student learning.

**Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Faith Chapel announced the recipients of the Washington Achievement Awards in several categories. The category of Overall Excellence is awarded to the top five percent of all elementary, middle, high, and comprehensive schools across the state (based on two-year averages). Special Recognition Awards are also given to high-performing schools in the areas of Language Arts, Math, Science, Extended Graduation Rate, Improvement, and Closing Achievement Gaps. District award recipients this year in the category of Overall Excellence were Bainbridge High and Woodward Middle Schools. In the category of Extended Graduation Rate the recipients were Bainbridge and Eagle Harbor High Schools.

Ms. Chapel asked Director of Capital Projects and Facilities Tamela Van Winkle to share an article from the Daily Journal of Commerce entitled *Project of the Month: On Bainbridge, old-school design goes out the window* (February 8, 2012). The article focused on Bainbridge High School's new 200 Building, which was funded by the passage of a \$45 million bond measure. The project was selected to be featured by industry professionals who commented on the building in part: *"Extraordinarily restrained and elegant use of materials, with particular emphasis on the effulgence of natural light."*

Ms. Chapel reported local tax statements would be mailed to residents next week by the County Treasurer. It was noted local tax statements will show a 7% increase from last year to this year. This "increase" reflects the decision by the Board to return the remainder of the 2006 Bond monies to the taxpayers, which resulted in the reduction of taxes last year by 7%. In essence, taxes have just returned to the level they would have been if the board had not returned the \$820,000 to the taxpayers. This is consistent with the Board's decision to keep local taxes stable for the community.

**Board Reports**

No board reports.

**Presentations**

***A. Teacher Evaluation Pilot Project Update***

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Peter Bang-Knudsen, along with Odyssey Teacher Barry Hoonan, provided an overview of the Teacher Evaluation Pilot Project activities to date. Dr. Bang-Knudsen began the presentation with a "pop quiz" regarding the key components of the attributes of an instructional framework. This was followed by a review of the current teacher evaluation categories as compared to the proposed new teacher evaluation categories. The timeline for the new teacher evaluation work was also reviewed with Phase 1 – *Research and Development* –

being completed during November through January. Phase 2 – *Decision Making* – is underway with the selection of the instructional framework being accomplished, and work in this phase continuing through March. Phase 3 – *Planning for Implementation* - and all that involves will be work done April through June.

Mr. Hoonan provided background regarding the rationale for the choice of Charlotte Danielson’s *Enhancing Professional Practice* as the district’s instructional framework. This framework was chosen because it is the most widely used framework across the country and across the state; it contains clear language that make sense to teachers and principals; and it has ample resources available for staff training. The four “domains” within the instructional framework were briefly explained and included: a) Domain 1 – *Planning and Preparation*; b) Domain 2 – *Classroom Environment*; c) Domain 3 – *Instruction*; and d) Domain 4 – *Professional Responsibilities*. Focusing on Domain 3 – *Instruction*, the concept of what is meant by evidence and artifacts related to the evaluation of instructional practices were discussed. At the conclusion of the presentation, additional information regarding the tight timeline for implementation of the new teacher evaluation system was shared, along with the implications, challenges, and opportunities related to the new system.

#### *B. State Legal and Legislative Update – McCleary vs. Washington*

Superintendent Faith Chapel provided an update regarding state legal and legislative activities through January. Ms. Chapel and Board Director John Tawresey attended the annual legislative conference sponsored by the Washington Association of School Administrators (WASA), the Washington State School Directors Association (WSSDA), and the Washington Association of School Business Officers (WASBO). The agenda at this conference included many topics, and Ms. Chapel highlighted comments from the featured speaker Tom Ahearn regarding the Washington State Supreme Court ruling on *McCleary vs. Washington*. The court’s ruling determined the State has not complied with its “paramount” duty to make ample provision for the education of all children in Washington. It was noted the court retained jurisdiction over the case. Other proposed legislation and state actions highlighted during the report included such areas as the expected economic forecast, teacher evaluation system, Alternative Learning Experiences (ALE), unfunded mandates, and changes in employee benefits.

#### *C. Wilkes Elementary Replacement Project – Change Order No. 3*

Director of Capital Projects and Facilities Tamela Van Winkle presented Wilkes Elementary Replacement Project Change Order No. 3 for board approval. Items included on Change Order No. 3 were as follows:

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| <u>CCD 001</u>  | <u>Lights and Power in Mech Mezzanine</u>  | \$982.00  |
|                 | Addition of lighting and convenience power in mechanical mezzanine above main custodial room.      |   |
| <u>CCD 004</u>  | <u>Partition Changes at Gym and Music</u>  | \$750.00  |
|                 | Shortened concrete walls and extended frame walls to meet ADA code at doors.                       |   |
| <u>CCD 005r</u> | <u>Fuel Tank Location and Bollards</u>   | \$3,132.00  |
|                 | Rotated fuel tank to meet code required separation, added 5 bollards, lengthened yard gate.        |   |
| <u>COP</u>      | <u>Added Steel</u>   | \$13,236.00   |
|                 | ASI 6 added rebar at Commons landing retaining wall and changed stringer base plate to embed plate |   |
|                 | ASI 19 removed 2 columns from CMU walls and added embed plates to carry beams                      |   |
|                 | RFI 022 moved HSS from header to column grid line at lintels for thermal and planar aesthetics     |   |
| <u>COP 007</u>  | <u>RFI 034 Casework Locks</u>  | -\$2,538.00   |
|                 | Removed casework locks that wouldn’t be sued by staff.   |   |
| <u>PR 003</u>   | <u>Power Add at MDF Room</u>   | \$1,167.00  |
|                 | Additional power and receptacles according to Design and Construction Standards for technology.    |   |
| <u>PR 005r</u>  | <u>Floor Box Change</u>  | \$15,136.00   |
|                 | Upgrade to sturdy boxes with receptacles inside box, 6 outlets and 6 ports, and spare conduit.     |   |
|                 | <b>Motion 42-11-12:</b>  | That the Board approves the Wilkes Elementary Replacement Project Change Order No. 3. (Tawresey) The affirmative vote was unanimous. (Tawresey, Spence, Fielding, Curtis) |

#### *D. Monthly Communications Report*

Community Relations Coordinator Pam Keyes presented a summary of communications activities from December 2, 2011 to February 2, 2012. Ms. Keyes began the report by recognizing all the participants in the launch of the district’s new website. Participants included the Technology Department staff, principals, building technology leaders, district administrators, teachers and classified staff. Ms. Keyes provided a brief explanation of the website “visits” statistics based on the first few days of the new district website, and shared feedback from a variety of folks

regarding the new website look and function. Other communication-related areas included in the report were community engagement, media coverage, emergency preparedness, and “email blasts.”

*E. Policy 2410: High School Graduation Requirements (Second Reading)*

Associate Superintendent Julie Goldsmith presented Policy 2410 – High School Graduation Requirements for a second reading. After a brief review, board members suggested an additional edit to the text.

**Motion 43-11-12:** That the Board approves the second reading of Policy 2410 High School Graduation Requirements as amended. (Spence) The affirmative vote was unanimous. (Spence, Tawresey, Fielding, Curtis)

**Personnel Actions**

**Motion 44-11-12:** That the Board approves the Personnel Actions dated February 3, 2012, and February 9, 2012 as presented. (Curtis) The affirmative vote was unanimous. (Curtis, Fielding, Spence, Tawresey)

**Consent Agenda**

**Staff Out-of-State Travel**

1. Request for Board approval from Bainbridge High School Science Teacher Tom Armentrout to participate in the Louisiana Wetlands Restoration Project to explore the science behind wetland mitigation efforts. The event is scheduled for February 21 – 25, 2012. Funding for the travel is supported by a professional development grant, and Mr. Armentrout’s personal funds.

**Donation**

1. Donation to Bainbridge High School from Jeff Boon @ Cascade Associates in the form of men’s and women’s running/track shoes valued at \$2000.00 to benefit the Bainbridge High School Cross Country & Track Program.

**Student Field Trip: Overnight**

1. Request for Board Approval of an Overnight Field Trip by Darcy Herrett to Centrum in Port Townsend, WA, on March 4 through March 9, 2012.
2. Request for Board Approval of an Overnight Field Trip by Tricia Corsetti to Olympic Park Institute on Lake Crescent, Clallam County, WA, on March 18 through March 21, 2012.

**PAYROLL January 2012 Warrant Numbers:**

(Payroll Warrants) 1000818 - 1000860  
(Payroll AP Warrants) 171661 - 171685 **TOTAL:** \$2,624,036.48

**Minutes from the December 6, 2011 School Board Retreat**

**Minutes from the December 8, 2011 School Board Meeting**

**Minutes from the January 12, 2012 School Board Meeting**

**Minutes from the January 26, 2012 School Board Meeting**

**Motion 45-11-12:** That the Board approves the revised Consent Agenda with the amendment that the request for a student field trip (overnight) to Olympic Park Institute be subject to Risk Pool approval of the contract. (Spence) The affirmative vote was unanimous. (Spence, Tawresey, Curtis, Fielding)

The following vouchers as audited and certified by the auditing officer, as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified, as required by RCW 42.24.090, were also approved for payment.

(General Fund Voucher)

Voucher numbers 2004452 through 2004539 totaling \$ 143,799.00 .

(General Fund Voucher)

Voucher numbers 2004451 through 2004451 totaling \$ 410.67 .

(Associated Student Body Fund Voucher)

Voucher numbers 4000538 through 400538 totaling \$ 118.57 .

**Adjournment**

7:33 p.m. – Board President Patty Fielding adjourned the meeting.