

**EVERETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**EVERETT, WASHINGTON**  
**Regular Meeting**

The Board of Directors of Everett Public Schools, Snohomish County, Washington, held a regular Board meeting on Tuesday, August 24, 2010, beginning at 4:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the Educational Service Center, 4730 Colby Avenue, Everett, Washington. Those in attendance were: Carol Andrews, Kristie Dutton, Jessica Olson, Ed Petersen and Jeff Russell.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

President Petersen called for any changes to the agenda. Superintendent Cohn noted that there would be a revised Personnel Report and Item 2d (Everett Coaches/ Extracurricular Association 2010-2011 Salary Schedule) of the Consent Agenda needed to be moved to the Action Items section as Item 7a so that Board member Russell, who has a beneficial interest in the contract adoption of the salary schedule, would be able to vote on the Consent Agenda. With that, Kristie Dutton moved for adoption of the revised agenda. Carol Andrews seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**ADOPTION OF  
AGENDA**

President Petersen acknowledged the presence of former school board member Shirley Vandermeer.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Kristie Dutton moved to approve the revised Consent Agenda. Jeff Russell seconded the motion.

- a. Approval of Minutes (E:256/10);
- b. Personnel Report (revised) (E:257/10);
- c. Voucher Lists (E:258/10);
- ~~d. Everett Coaches/Extracurricular Association 2010-2011 Salary Schedule~~
- e. Working Agreement Between Everett Public Schools and the YMCA of Snohomish County (E:259/10);
- f. Interagency Agreement No. 2010-ERG-555 with Department of General Administration Engineering and Architectural Services (E:260/10);
- g. Bid Award: H.M. Jackson High School Cafeteria Addition (E:261/10);
- h. State Transitional Bilingual Grant for 2010-2011 (E:262/10);
- i. Proposed Athletic User Fee Increase (E:263/10);
- j. Financial Report as of June 30, 2010 (E:264/10).

The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RECOGNITION OF RETIREES**

Lowell Elementary principal Colleen Welsh spoke of the accomplishments of Kim Drews who is retiring. Ms. Drews commented, introducing her husband and daughter.

Mill Creek principal Mary Ann Opperud reviewed the career of retiree Sandra Irwin-Westvang, who could not be present tonight.

**RECOGNITION OF  
RETIREES**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Petersen called for public comment. There was none.  
*Audience Comments Regarding Items Not on the Agenda:* None.  
*Audience Comments Regarding Items on the Agenda:* None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

Dr. Cohn reviewed Board in-service activities. He distributed a copy of the book Brain Rules along with a small squeezable foam "brain" which can serve as a stress-reliever. He noted the upcoming community engagement activity to be held at Jackson High School at 5:30 p.m. tomorrow. This activity is entitled *College and Work Ready*.

Executive Director for Finance and Operations Jeff Moore provided a broad overview of the jobs bill.

The levy vote is passing by 86 votes. The election will be certified on September 1.

## **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

The Eastmont Nature Park Neighborhood Group presented information about the possible establishment of a nature park on the forested 9.86 acre tract located adjacent to Jefferson Elementary School. John Crawford led the presentation and reviewed the accompanying PowerPoint presentation (E:265/10). Also speaking were Shirley Vandermeer, Tony Sarp, Dr. Pat Nolan, Erling Hesla and Debra Harvey. Following questions from the Board, the group requested that the Board hold a study session on the subject. President Petersen said the Board will take their request under advisement.

Information on summer school programs provided during 2010 and their impact on student achievement was presented (E:266/10). The report included information about the continuing efforts to provide extended school year experiences to enrich student learning and provide credit recovery for high school students at risk of not graduating on time.

Associate Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer Terry Edwards opened the presentation by acknowledging the efforts of Cynthia Jones, Bob Sotak, Jim McNally and Joanne Fabian for taking the lead in different aspects of the summer school program. Terry reviewed the evening's PowerPoint presentation, talking about reasons for having summer school, Title I summer programs, Title I/LAP summer programs, ELL summer programs, LAP summer math camp, high school credit recovery, summer enrichment for GEAR UP students, targeted assistance for special education students, summer school impacts and on-time graduation credit recovery. Heretofore, summer school has been a self-sustaining fee-based operation that targeted courses and invited students to participate. Scholarships have been provided with the assistance of the Everett Public Schools Foundation (EPSF) as well as different categorical programs that provided scholarships. Generally summer school was made up of about 80 percent kids wanting to get ahead and 20 percent kids making up credit. Unfortunately, the students who needed to take advantage of summer school to help get back on track to graduate were not the ones who were enrolling in it. Therefore, the District decided to make a shift in philosophy to make summer school more purposeful and focused. With the use of EPSF funds, LAP, Title and other grant monies, the District was able to offer free summer school for students at risk who qualified for these special funds, and then to make summer school by invitation only and actually reach out, find the student, invite them, talk to the parent and "pull" them into summer school. As a result, the composition of summer school almost reversed, with about 70 percent of the attendees at risk of making up credit. High school students who still wanted to accelerate their academic progress could attend summer school for a fee.

Tonight's report described the support structures currently in place for professional development and training for all employees (E:267/10). Executive Director for Human Resources Lynn Evans reviewed the Professional Development Council and the Professional Development Advisory Committee as well as the district's role as an in-service training provider. Professional development initiatives that resulted from the

## **SUPT'S COMMENTS**

### **EASTMONT NATURE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP**

### **SUMMER SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT REPORT**

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**

2009-2010 Strategic Plan were summarized, along with a presentation of preliminary information regarding the 2010-2011 Strategic Plan professional initiatives.

**PROFESSIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT  
UPDATE (cont'd.)**

The attached proposed new Policy 2114—Online Learning, was provided for first reading with second reading and adoption to be recommended at a future Board meeting (E:268/10). Last year, the Legislature re-examined the approval and monitoring provisions for online providers, student online learning opportunities and the roles and responsibilities of school districts in supporting online learning. As a result, school districts are required to develop policies and procedures for student access to online learning opportunities. The Superintendent's Cabinet has reviewed the proposed new policy. Executive Director for Area Two Molly Ringo commented.

**PROPOSED NEW  
POLICY 2114—  
ONLINE LEARNING  
(first reading)**

The attached proposed revised Policy 4340—Public Access to District Records, was provided for first reading with second reading and adoption to be recommended at a future Board meeting (E:269/10). Revisions are the result of recent regulatory changes. Legal counsel and District staff reviewed the proposed revisions. Molly Ringo and Jeff Moore commented. Discussion followed about re-arranging the order of the first sentence in the first paragraph, about the first sentence in the second paragraph, and about per-copy fees.

**PROPOSED REVISED  
POLICY 4340—  
PUBLIC ACCESS TO  
DISTRICT RECORDS  
(first reading)**

**ACTION ITEMS**

It was the recommendation of the administration that the Board of Directors adopt the Everett Coaches/Extracurricular Association 2010-2011 salary schedule (E:270/10). The purpose of this proposed action was to provide the appropriate increase to the Everett Coaches/Extracurricular Association as outlined in section 6.01 of the September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2011 collective bargaining agreement between the Everett Coaches/Extracurricular Association and the Everett School District.

**EVERETT COACHES/  
EXTRACURRICULAR  
ASSOCIATION 2010-  
2011 SALARY  
SCHEDULE**

Jessica Olson moved to adopt the aforementioned salary schedule. Kristie Dutton seconded the motion and the motion passed, with four voting "yes" and Jeff Russell abstaining because he has a beneficial interest in the contract adoption of the salary schedule.

**BOARD COMMENTS**

Board members Dutton and Russell commented about the summer high school graduation ceremonies held at the EHS Little Theater. President Petersen commented about the July 6 study session as well as tonight's item dealing with the YMCA. Mr. Petersen also noted that Tim Ford from the State Attorney General's office will be presenting information about the Open Public Meetings Act at the September 21 Board meeting.

**BOARD  
COMMENTS**

In closing, Superintendent Cohn clarified with the Board members about auto forwarding to their Board email addresses.

**WORK/STUDY SESSION**

**EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION**

President Petersen adjourned the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m.

---

Gary Cohn, Secretary

---

Ed Petersen, President