

**WISHRAM SCHOOL
BOARD MINUTES
January 15, 2014**

Meeting called to order at 5:00P.M. by C.Rosa.

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| School Board Members in attendance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Detmar McCullough○ Kandy Churchwell○ Clyde Rosa○ Eugene Wilson○ Jeri Ruefer-Hore Guests present: Charlie Hore, Peter Leon, Katrina Guthrie | School District employees in attendance: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Superintendent Duane Grams○ Business manager Sarah Hathaway○ Assistant Principal Heather Gimlin○ Lead Teacher Brent Cameron○ Lead Teacher Kristen Ringer○ Athletic Director Tye Churchwell |
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The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Clyde Rosa.
C.Rosa welcomed guests and offered them the opportunity to speak.

Staff reports

- Brent Cameron
 - Homecoming this week and this week is spirit week.
 - Biology EOC testing in progress this week. Biology this week, Algebra retakes next week.
 - Mrs. Chantler has scheduled local artist-Toms Royal for a new mosaic project in March.
- Kristen Ringer
 - Winter program went well and the kids enjoyed it.
 - Salmon hatching project: Fish eggs have been placed in tank and you can see they are starting to hatch. You can view this in the school's trophy case at the main entrance.
 - Oregon children's Theatre field trip has been scheduled for Jan. 24th. They will be seeing the theatrical presentation of Charlotte's Web. An anonymous donor has paid for the \$288 admission fee.
 - There is a 5th/6th grade basketball game in Mosier also on Jan. 24th.
 - DIBELS testing: K-6th reading assessments started January 13th.
 - STAR: K-12 reading and math assessments will be done next week.
- Heather Gimlin
 - National School Board Appreciation Month – Heather handed out certificates of appreciation.
- Growth Percentiles – Heather Gimlin
 - National School Board Appreciation Month – Heather handed out certificates of appreciation.
 - Growth Percentiles – H.Gimlin provided an illustration of how small school's performance is measured now in Washington. Students are tested and scores are determined. Students with the same score on the same test are compiled with students from across the state. Then the following year, the same compiled group is tested again to determine whether there is *low growth*, *average growth* or *high growth*. A review of the data shows that Wishram has *high growth*. H.Gimlin has informed the teachers that the systems are working and they need to keep up the current systems.

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- Ron Franklin – Student to School Success Coach will be at next month's meeting. This has to do with the Priority School Status. The next due date for this program is at the end of February. D.Grams requested that board members receive a copy of the submission before it is released.

Old Business:

- E.Wilson inquired whether there was any new information or pricing for the intruder locks. Tye reported that they are close to \$300 each. The number of doors is 16. The school administration is looking at seeing if it could be covered by a future grant.

New Business:

- Board Member Elections
E. Wilson motioned to keep the officers as they are.
J.Ruefer-Hore seconded the motion.
Motion passed.
- Administrative Scheduling:
D.Grams described a change to make sure there is Administrative presence in the office during the later hours, especially during the after school program. T.Churchwell will be working the 6:30AM shift to cover the morning. D.Grams will be working the 9:00am shift and will be alternating with Mrs. Gimlin as needed to cover the later hours of the day.

Other items of school business:

- Van Driver training: T.Churchwell – Requested a change to Policy 6630 Driver Certification (Non school bus) because it currently requires that a van driver have the same extensive training as a bus driver.
 - Propose striking item 3 "I have completed a transportation safety course within the last year."
 - Add requirement that all Van Drivers must have a certified driving abstract on file at the school.
 - A revised policy will be submitted at the next board meeting.
- After School Program
D.Grams reported that the grant that funded the After School Program in years past (Century21) is no longer available to Wishram School and there is no other grant currently available to fund this program.
D.Grams explained the importance of an afterschool program especially in the small community of Wishram where resources such as a library or community center are not available.
D.Grams proposed an alternative After School Program to be funded partially by the District and partially by the Priority Schools grant. The program would be from February-May, 3 days per week from 3:30pm to 4:45pm and is estimated to cost under \$5000. In order to meet the requirements of the Priority Schools grant, the program must contain remediation.
The proposed program would be as follows:
 1. One highly qualified teacher involved in the program for homework and test preparation for grades 7-12.
 2. One highly qualified teacher for 5th/6th grade which is an area where remediation has been shown to be needed.
 3. Two classified employees supervising the open gym/open library for activities such as shooting baskets or other physical activity. It was

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- clarified that the open gym in this program is not the same as the "Open Gym" that is currently held on Sundays which is open to the community.
4. One staff member to run a 30 minute snack program to be delivered before the ASP program starts.

D.Grams assured the board that the school would keep track of the use of the program by students and if the students do not use it, we could look at cutting it back or terminating it.

T.Churchwell added that since Wishram does not have a library and many of the students do not have internet, it makes it difficult for the students to meet the performance requirements that the state mandates. T.Churchwell also reported that during the trial run of open Gym/library over the winter break, there was surprisingly high attendance by students and parents.

E.Wilson added that if the Priority School grant can be charged for half the cost that the district should accept half of the expense

D.McCullough inquired if transportation would be included. D.Grams stated that there would be local transportation only.

The board agreed that the school should try this out for February only. A report to the board will be required at the next board meeting. At the next board meeting a motion to approve the After School Program will be on the agenda.

- Homecoming: T.Churchwell reminded the board of the Homecoming schedule and dance this Friday.

DECEMBER , 2013 Board Meeting Minutes (DM,KC, CR,EW):

J.Ruefer-Hore motioned to accept board minutes with two changes (date of debriefing is to be corrected to 12/18/2013 and Charlie Hore was not actually present as a guest).

D.McCullough seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

**MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION 15 MINUTES START: 5:44 END:6:04
RETURNED TO REGULAR SESSION AT 6:04pm.**

C.Rosa read the resignation letter of D.Grams.

J.Ruefer-Hore motioned to accept the letter of resignation from Duane Grams.

D.McCullough seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

C.Rosa asked the board to start thinking about what they want to do as far as seeking a new Principal/Superintendent internally or externally and that it will be an agenda item at the next board meeting.

C.Rosa announced that one of the former board members recently passed away and requested that this be acknowledged. D.Grams reported that this member was a positive driving force for the school for many years and that sympathy flowers and a card from the school are in progress.

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Consent Agenda

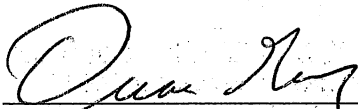
- Voucher approval → review of monthly bills
- Budget Status Report
- Payroll

J.Ruefer-Hore *motioned to approve the consent agenda in its entirety,*
D.McCullough seconded the motion and it passed as follows:

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| General Fund A/P | | \$28,787.17 |
| General Fund A/P | | \$144.35 |
| Capital Projects | | |
| Payroll | \$630.65 | |
| Payroll vendors | \$22,572.91 | |
| Payroll transfer | \$96,946.68 | |
| | TOTAL PAYROLL | \$120,150.24 |
| ASB | | \$151.09 |
| TRUST | | \$1,153.53 |

Policy Review postponed to the February meeting.

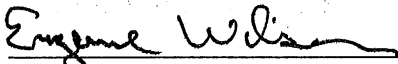
Meeting adjourned at 6:24pm



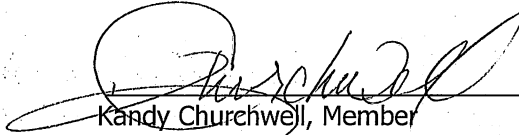
Duane Grams, Secretary



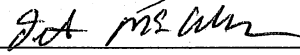
Clyde Rosa, Chairman



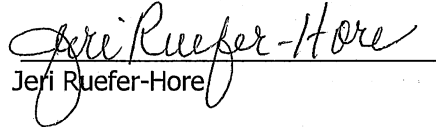
Eugene Wilson, Member



Kandy Churchwell, Member



Detmar McCullough, Member



Jeri Ruefer-Hore