

Wishram School
Board Minutes
1/25/2022

School Board Directors attendance: School District employees in attendance:

Clyde Rosa Detmar McCullough Kandy Churchwell Christina Patten-Rowan Chelsea White	Mike Roberts, Superintendent TYE CHURCHWELL, Director of Operations/AD Sarah Hathaway, Business Manager
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****Meeting conducted via ZOOM virtual meeting. Public access provided through a link posted on the school's website.*

Guests present none

Meeting Called to Order at 5:19PM by C.Rosa
Pledge of allegiance lead by C.Rosa

Superintendent report

Students have turned in over 1700 missing assignments so far this school year. This led to a pretty seamless transition into our second semester as we only had roughly 30 missing assignments at the end of the 1st semester, which is pretty amazing given how many student and staff have been absent due to illness thus far. It's great to see our support systems work even in the most difficult situations.

COVID has continued to be an issue, but thus far, we've been able to keep the district operating for in person learning. We will continue these efforts so long as we have enough staff to keep the facility operational.

The recent snowfall provided Mr. Churchwell with a great opportunity to put our new snow plow to the test, and that was a great tool to combat such horrible weather. We were also one of only a handful of districts that had the capability to return to remote learning during that significant storm system. This is a great way to ensure that we remain connected to our students and families when in person learning isn't possible, and so long as we can remain above the 70% threshold for student attendance, they count as a traditional school day so, we don't have to make those days up at the end of the year.

The second round of observations for the teacher evaluation process are underway, and teachers are making great progress toward their annual goals. We suspect this will pay off huge dividends on our spring standardized testing scores.

Director of Operations report

Covid-19 Testing:

AS most of you have heard, all requirements as far as testing and quarantine duration has changed. We are doing our best to keep up with the changes but it's almost virtually impossible to do so. We applied to be a test to stay school and were approved. This just means that someone who was exposed can test negative twice in 5 days to be able to return to school/work. A person who tests positive has to quarantine for 5 days. They can return after 5 days if they are symptom free. If not, they can return any time during the 6th-10th day if they are symptom free. After the 10th day they can return as long as they have had no fever within 24 hours, have taken no medicine to reduce a fever within the last 24 hours and their symptoms are significantly better.

Just some notes for the Board:

We've now had over 50% of our staff who have tested positive for Covid-19.

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We've had several students who have tested positive.

We could be in a situation at anytime that we have to make the move to go remote due to lack of staff.

HVAC: (REMIDER) When we went to turn on our 7.5 ton HVAC units after the construction, neither one of them worked. These are the units that heat/cool our general areas like the gym and the hallway. I called in a HVAC technician who was able to fix one of them. He stated that it appeared vibrations had broken some of the brass lines in them. He could not fix the other one. He told me that they were 15 years old and that it was time we started looking to replace them. I called another HVAC company for a second opinion. They also stated that the one cannot be fixed. They also said that they were at least 15 years old and that most companies won't even service them anymore because the Freon has changed. So, I'm starting the process of getting bids to replace both of these units. With the one out, its been impossible to get the east hallway above 50 degrees.

UPDATE: So far I've had 3 companies out to give us a quote to replace the 7.5 ton HVAC units. I've only received 1 quote back for the price of \$43,040.75. Luckily, we have \$20,995.77 left in the North Wall Grant monies and OSPI seems to be okay with us spending it. So, we plan on using this money to put forward towards the purchase of 2 new HVAC units. I have Apollo coming this Friday to give us a quote.

WA State Department of Enterprise Services (WA DES) & Apollo Solutions Group.

Today we met with a team of engineers from Apollo Solutions Group to see if we can take advantage of the WA EDS system to start upgrading our systems. They look at everything energy wise and see what could be systems could be upgraded in regards to energy savings. They will get back to us on their findings. If they can help, they will walk us through from beginning to end in the phase of retrofitting our systems. They will even help us in securing money from the state to upgrade these items.

Scissor Lift:

The Scissor lift was delivered and it's a perfect fit for our building. We did find out that we either have to have every operator trained every 2 years at a cost of \$295.00 or we have to have someone who becomes a trainer at a cost of \$1,395.00. After talking with Mr. Roberts and Ms. Hathaway we decided that I would become a trainer. This way I can train any current staff and future staff who will use the lift. I do have to recertify every 3 years. My Class is scheduled for January 31st.

Cameras: ASET has started running the wires for the new cameras. They have all the new wiring ran in the building. They have the wiring for the outside cameras yet to run, weather has slowed them down.

Athletics:

We've now canceled 10 HS basketball games due to Covid-19. Lyle/Wishram admins talked last week after we had another exposure issue at an away game and decided to put a halt on our season for 10 days. After I made the announcement to the league on what our plans were, the league decided to follow suite due to positive Covid cases. So, at this time BB practices will start again on January 31st and games will start again on February 4th and of course this is if we don't continue to experience a surge in Covid-19 cases which at this time we are continuing to do so.

Lead Teacher Reports

o SECONDARY

Mr. Cameron provided an update on the topics being covered in his science classes at this time.

o ELEMENTARY

K/1

Kindergarten is moving fast with learning all their letters, sounds and numbers. They are all becoming stronger writers and readers. We are focusing right now on setting the foundation for lifelong learning. They practice every single day and

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are knocking it out of the park. Math is a strong suit for this group too and they are already in addition and subtraction and giving the 1st grade a run for their money!

1st grade is pushing hard in their reading. Many of them are starting to really accelerate and become fluent. I have some really incredible readers! We are working hard in math too with some harder concepts that will help them understand harder addition and subtraction! What an incredible group!

We have been studying animal habitats in science and that has been absolutely awesome. These students have some great knowledge to share and we have also gained a ton from each other and the Mystery Science curriculum!!

2nd/3rd grade

we have started a poetry unit as part of the language arts. These are short winter poems by well known authors such as Robert Frost and Emily Bronte. We are also reading Matilda by Roald Dahl. Both grades are becoming quite successful with cursive writing as well. Their reading program is dealing with details for main ideas, non-fiction, fiction, characters and supporting details. The students also read short stories about historical events to learn these concepts.

In math, both grades are learning to multiply 1's, and 2's. They are learning to add 2 and 3 digit numbers with and without regrouping. They are also learning the relationship between addition and subtraction.

In science we have moved from force and motion to learning about weather. As we change seasons we will begin a plant and growing unit to utilize our greenhouse. We will also work in the flower beds outside our classroom as they have become quite messy over the past few years without our annual "Community Clean Up day".

4th and 5th Grade-January 25, 2022

In 4th and 5th

We are currently studying poetry and finding the meaning/theme of the poem by using inferences from the poem and our own personal experiences. Students are working with Mr. Cairns on Vocabulary building and note taking. Mrs. Cooper is working with students on spelling through morphographs.

In math 5th grade students are learning about decimals and will be learning to round decimals soon, after that we will move onto fractions.

4th Graders are learning about patterns through adding on, which will help them greatly with many math concepts for years to come. Students are continuing to receive a daily math sheet that includes a multi-digit addition problem with "carrying," a multi-digit subtraction problem using "borrowing," and multi-digit multiplication and division. Students are practicing daily fluency of addition, subtraction and multiplication for digits 0-9. Students really enjoy the fluency building games like, I Have Who Has. We have recently started counting money, and will move on to making change.

4th and 5th graders are privileged to be learning about US History from Mr. Weaver.

REACH

REACH is beginning to plan summer programming and are being hopeful to be able to go on field trips.

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B. New Business (Board Action Needed)

none

C. OTHER BUSINESS (Board Action Needed)

Detmar McCullough agreed to be nominated for board president. Kandy Churchwell agreed to be nominated to remain as board Vice president. Chelsea White agreed to be nominated as the Legislative Rep.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	DETMAR McCULLOUGH
VICE PRESIDENT	KANDY CHURCHWELL
LEGISLATIVE OFFICER	CHELSEA WHITE

*K.Churchwell motioned to approve the officer elections.
C.Patten-Rowan seconded the motion.
Motion passed unanimously*

(After the elections, D.McCullough lead the rest of the meeting.)

D. OLD BUSINESS

None

E. School Board Minutes (Board Action Needed)

12/28/21 Regular Meeting Minutes

*C.Rosa motioned to approve the school board minutes from 12/28/2021.
C.Patten-Rowan seconded the motion.
Motion passed.*

F. Consent Agenda (Board Action Needed)

- a. Voucher approval-review of monthly bills
- b. Budget status report
- c. Payroll

	WARRANT NUMBER	AMOUNT
GENERAL FUND		
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	34763-34782	19,577.41
	TOTAL	19,577.41
PAYROLL	34748-34749	3,788.24
PAYROLL VENDORS	34750-34762	29,579.91
PAYROLL FUNDS XFER		118,381.12
	TOTAL PAYROLL	151,749.27

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*K.Churchwell motioned to approve the consent agenda in its entirety.
C.White seconded the motion.
Motion passed.*

G. BOARD POLICIES (Board Action Needed)

SECOND READING

- **3220/3220P** – Freedom of Expression
- **3411** – Accommodating Students with Seizure Disorders (NEW)
- **3416P** – Medication at School
- **5400** – Personnel Leaves
- **5004/504P** – Infection Control Program
- **1815** – Ethical Conduct for School Directors (NEW)
- **1822** – Training and Professional Development for Board Members
- **1825** – Addressing School Director Violations (NEW)
- **5281** – Disciplinary Action and Discharge
- **6225** – Use of Electronic Signatures
- **6970/6970P** – Naming Schools, Facilities, and Teams

C.Patten-Rowan motioned to approve the second reading of the above listed policies as written.

C.White seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 5:50PM

DocuSigned by:
Mike Roberts

Mike Roberts, Secretary

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Board Chair or Designee