

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of
OLYMPIA SCHOOL DISTRICT 111
January 9, 2006**

The Olympia School District Board of Directors held a closed Executive Session at 6:00 pm, Monday, January 9, 2006.

A regular meeting of the Olympia School District Board of Directors was called to order by President Russ Lehman at 7:05 pm on Monday, January 9, 2006, at the Knox Administrative Center, 1113 Legion Way SE, Olympia, Washington 98501. Also attending were Vice President Rich Nafziger, Directors Michelle Parvinen and Bob Shirley, Student Representative Palmer Buchholz, and Superintendent Bill Lahmann. Director Carolyn Barclift was unable to attend.

The pledge of allegiance was led by President Lehman.

DIRECTOR PARVINEN MOVED THE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 12, 2005. DIRECTOR SHIRLEY SECONDED THE MOTION. FOUR AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

President Lehman called for identification of audience members who wished to address the Board regarding agenda items. He then asked for comments from the community and items to be raised by members of the Board; hearing none, he called for a motion on the Consent Agenda.

VICE PRESIDENT NAFZIGER MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. DIRECTOR SHIRLEY SECONDED THE MOTION. FOUR AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Consent Agenda

1 SCHOOL DIRECTORS

1.1 Board Meeting Schedule

- Monday, January 23, 2006, 7:00 pm, **Regular Board Meeting**, Roosevelt Elementary School, 1417 San Francisco Avenue NE, Olympia, WA 98506.
- Monday, January 30, 2006, **6:00 pm, Joint Meeting & Tour/Griffin School Board**, Capital High School, 2707 Conger Avenue NW, Olympia, WA 98502.
- Monday, February 6, 2006, 6:30 pm, **Study Session**, Knox Administrative Center, 1113 Legion Way SE, Olympia, WA 98501.
- Monday, February 13, 2006, 7:00 pm, **Regular Board Meeting**, Knox Administrative Center, 1113 Legion Way SE, Olympia, WA 98501.
- Monday, February 27, 2006, 7:00 pm, **Regular Board Meeting**, Reeves Middle School, 2200 Quince Street NE, Olympia, WA 98506.

Please Note

2 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

2.1 Certificated Personnel Report

The Board approved two new contracts:

Gregory, Kathleen – Grade one at McLane Elementary School; approved a one-year .604 FTE contract (110 days @ 1.0 FTE) effective the 2005-06 school year, beginning January 1, 2006.

Pednekar, Maxim – Math at Capital High School; approved a one-year .664 FTE contract (121 days @ 1.0 FTE) effective the 2005-06 school year, beginning December 6, 2005.

3 CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

3.1 Classified Personnel Report

The Board approved the Classified Personnel Report dated January 9, 2006.

4 PUPILS & PROGRAMS

4.1 Overnight Field Trip Requests

The following overnight field trips were approved:

- **Capital High School** – DECA State Conference; Seattle, Washington; **DEVELOP LEADERSHIP SKILLS AND INCREASE MARKETING KNOWLEDGE**; 20 students, two teachers; March 2-4, 2006.
- **Capital High School** – DECA International Conference; Dallas, Texas; **COMPETITION IN AREAS OF BUSINESS, LEADERSHIP AND MARKETING**; 5 students, one teacher; April 27-May 2, 2006.

8 FINANCES

8.1 Approval of Vouchers

The following expenditures were approved: Associated Student Body Fund Voucher Nos. 27719 through 27783, in the total amount of \$85,538.66; Capital Projects Voucher Nos. 8378 through 8417, in the total amount of \$2,978,751.16; and, General Fund Voucher Nos. 134542 through 134697, in the total amount of \$475,079.94.

8.2 Mitigation Agreement – Glenmore Park Subdivision

The Board approved a mitigation agreement with the developers of Glenmore Park Subdivision, consisting of twenty-nine single-family homes in the Centennial Elementary School service area, feeding into Washington Middle School and Olympia High School.

Regular Agenda

1 SCHOOL DIRECTORS

1.1 Resolution 432, Intent to Reduce Student Dropouts

Consideration of a Board resolution establishing a goal of reducing by 50% the number of students in the Olympia School District who drop out, to be achieved by the end of the 2007-08 academic year.

PRESIDENT LEHMAN REMOVED THIS ITEM FROM THE AGENDA—TO BE REVIEWED BY STAFF AND CONSIDERED AT A FUTURE BOARD MEETING.

1.2 Physical Education Requirements

Student Representative Palmer Buchholz presented information pertaining to proposed changes to the existing physical education requirements. She highlighted the need of advanced students to take more academic courses, and the need of others to be allowed to focus on those courses which not only interest them, but may also serve to motivate them to remain in school and graduate.

Glen Baldwin – two children at CHS – interested in this process for quite some time. Should be able to request this track because of other interests. Problem with current policy is that only a very limited number of students can participate. With so many students who go so far beyond our requirements, the policy is simply not fair. As an example, a student – students who may participate in martial arts programs. How do we serve them by this policy?

Garfield HS in Seattle; Columbia HS ; Center HS in ; some districts provide website. High achieving. OSD should allow a waiver when without the requirement of attending SPSCC or summer school. Equivalencies should be allowed when. Policy allows you to attend summer school. More flexible policy that really meets students needs.

Denise Clawson – has been bothering her daughter for a long time. She is on drill team and goes to the YMCA regularly. She wants an extra science class and the fourth year of her foreign language. Students are so frustrated by the

Fred Simpson – son at CHS ; urge you to provide more flexibility. Son is quite a sportsman, and the PE requirement is causing heartache. He really can't fit it in, and it is almost impossible to take four years of math, science, and foreign language. Request you allow school sponsored sports to meet the PE equivalency requirements. Students may be spending two to three hours a day in sports activities already; it seems. Students at CHS are penalized in their zero hour by the lack of the availability of the weight room, an advantage that is available to OHS students. For those who can afford it, the requirements can be met by paying.

Linda Sogns – two daughters at CHS. senior full IB and has been over the top with busyness and has fully appreciated the opportunity for equivalency. My sophomore daughter will not currently have that advantage. She is involved in sports up to two and three hours a day and doesn't need an additional PE class. I also don

Ellen Rice – two sons , one junior at OLY and one 8th grade at Griffin. Health information can be repetitive. Has already has a lot of health at Griffin. As a boy Scout earning a fitness badge and a first aid badge. By the time the student get to high school. Treat like math is – having taken algebra in the 8th grade, a student is tested to see if they can avoid taking algebra. Graduation is going to be much more difficult

Mike Williams – the pe requirement is penalizing achieving kids. two students, taking heavy academic loads, working to get into the best college they can; hoping to take four years of science, four years of math, foreign language. both try to find ways to be flexible; try to find; discouraging.

Ellen Sauslak – OHS competitive gymnast; accomplished 20 hours / week minimum after has a part time job as an athlete. has an extremely good chance to get into an ; it does limit; don't want her to have to take more PE; wants her to be able to continue her community activities and her music opportunities. Adding in the PE requirement, given her level of physical activity and other training in the areas of health and first aid, does not seem to make any sense.

Russ Lehman – state and at district level we have not done a very good job of setting forth what we think the value of PE is—is it only to address the issue of obesity; many do not think that is the case. Is there a problem with the way we teach PE? What is an appropriate substitute? Is it only school sports? Would it include out of school sports?

Denise Clawson Why senior year – in your freshman year you have subscribed; because she choose music and foreign language.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- **Physical Education Requirements -**
- **Highly-Capable Program Update – Spring 2006**
- **Outdoor School Options – Spring 2006**

President Lehman recessed the meeting to continue their Executive Session at 7:50 pm. The meeting was reconvened at 8:53 pm and immediately adjourned.

