

Olympia School District

Cabinet Notes

February 13, 2014

Board Agenda Review for Feb. 24 at Olympia H.S.: Levy Wrap-up and Thanks by Dick C.; Focus on Olympia High School by Matt Grant; 2014-15 School Year Calendar by Nancy F.; Kindergarten Update by Jennifer P.; Legislative and Budget Update by Jennifer P. We will then close the board meeting and convene a second study session on Highly Capable Recommendations led by Linda Heade.

Board Agenda Review for March 10 at Knox: Budget Planning by Jennifer P.; Data Dashboard by Alice B.; Enrollment and Staffing for 2014-15 School Year by Jennifer P.; Highly Capable Recommendations by Linda Heade.

Upcoming Study Sessions and events: Study sessions ahead are: Intervention Programs at targeted elementary schools on March 3; Optional Programs on March 17. The Have a Heart for Kids Breakfast is coming up on Feb. 28. The TOGETHER! Champions for Kids Dinner will take place March 24. Our district's Champions for Kids 2014 nominee is Donna McPeak from Capital High School. Dick C., Chris Woods and others will be present at the dinner to support Donna.

Elementary Music and PE: The format for elementary music and PE has been the same for many years. The way it's structured now reduces instructional time. Jeff Carpenter presented Cabinet with a draft pilot program that would increase instructional time.

Employee Recognition: Last year we combined all recognition weeks into one week in early May. We plan to do so again this year. Cabinet engaged in a discussion about announcing the annual Employee Recognition Award winners that same week, with their Board recognition taking place the following week, at the May 12 board meeting. Dick will run this idea by the Board.

Ice Cream Social: Cabinet discussed a revised plan for this event. Joe B. will run this idea by Adam Brickell.

Strategic Plan Goals: Dick C. recently asked Cabinet members to identify areas where their teams have made progress on the Strategic Plan. Cabinet provided him with that information and looked over a draft last week. Cabinet reviewed another draft this week. Once completed, Dick C. will share it with the Board, send to staff and share with members of the community who helped form the Strategic Plan.

Other: Dick reviewed his progress on his Superintendent Goals set last October.