

Olympia School District

Cabinet Notes

October 24, 2013

Board Agenda Review for Oct. 28 at Avanti: Schools of Distinction by Nancy F. with Michael C., Mike V. and Domenico S-K; Focus on Avanti by Mike Valesquez; Use of Force Policy update by Joni W.; CHS fitness center AV equipment change order by Jennifer P. and Tim B.; Maintenance and Operations Levy Collections and Rollback 1st Reading by Jennifer P.; Technology Levy Discussion with staff.

Board Agenda Review for Nov. 12 at Knox: Technology and Safety Levy Resolution 1st Reading by Jennifer P.; ORLA Constructibility Review 1st Reading by Tim B.; Maintenance and Operations Levy Collections and Rollback 2nd Reading by Jennifer P.

Upcoming study sessions: Math interventions on Nov. 18; Data Dashboard/ALE on Dec. 9; Intervention Programs on Feb. 3.

Snow schedule: Cabinet reviewed the procedures for notifying staff, families, the community, the media and other key audiences in the event of a weather-related closure.

Knox Winter Break Schedule: Cabinet reviewed the Knox building schedule for the Dec. 23 - Jan. 3 Winter Break. The building will be closed on 12/24, 12/25, 12/31 and 1/1, which are non-work days. The building will be open on the other days of winter break. Knox departments should provide the Superintendent's office with their staffing plan for those two weeks.

Special Education Support: Some special education classes are in overload status. Dick C. will have additional discussions with staff about how to proceed on this issue.

Knox Holiday Gathering: Cabinet had an initial discussion about this year's holiday party. More information and a date will be announced soon.

Academic State and National Competitions: This year's district budget allocated funds to be used specifically for groups participating in major academic competitions. Each high school will receive a portion of those funds to be used for that purpose. Nancy F. is working with key staff to develop guidelines around the funds' use.

Electronic Media Policy: Cabinet engaged in a first discussion regarding a district electronic media policy. Dick will take the feedback and bring an updated version to a future Cabinet meeting for further discussion.

New Law - Instructional Minutes: There is a new state law requiring students in grades 7-12 receive a specific number of instructional minutes. Nancy F. is looking into

details of the law and how our district's minutes compare with the new requirements.

504 and Isolation/Restraint Policy Review: Joni W. will provide principals with a review of 504 and IEP requirements. Joni and Nancy F. will find a time for that review at an upcoming GA meeting.