

July 12, 2010

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance

A regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education of Olympia Community Unit School District No. 16, held in the Conference Room of the Olympia Administration Office, was called to order by President Laura Cremeens on Monday, July 12, 2010 at 7:01 p.m. with the following Board members and Administrators present: Laura Cremeens, Steve Matter, Trena Glenn, Kevin Frazier, and Carolyn Hansen; Superintendent Brad K. Hutchison; Business & Operations Manager Andrew Wise; and Olympia Middle School Principal Dan Lamboley.

Board members Doug Maris and Michael Turner were absent. Doug Maris participated by phone.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Laura Cremeens.

Recognition of Visitors

President Cremeens welcomed visitors who included BLDD Architects representative Barbara Meek and Olympia Technology Director Scott Powers.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Kevin Frazier, seconded by Trena Glenn, to approve the Consent Agenda that included:

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes from the June 14, 2010 special-called Public Hearing
- C. Approval of Minutes, including Executive Session, from the June 14, 2010 regular Board of Education meeting
- D. Approval of Bills and Financial Reports
- E. Approval of the Intent to Retire of certified teacher Patricia Tribble effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year
- F. Employment of certified teacher Brigette VanHook for OMS Special Education
- G. Employment of the following non-teaching coaches/sponsors effective for the 2010-2011 season:
 1. Ben Fisher – OHS Assistant Volleyball Coach
 2. Jenna Burns – OHS Flag Sponsor
 3. Mark Finchum – OHS Head Baseball Coach
- H. Employment of the following Education Support Personnel:
 1. John Horrер – Bus Driver effective August 18, 2010
 2. Scott Thornton – Lead Systems Specialist effective July 26, 2010
 3. Steve Raleigh – OHMS Custodian effective August 2, 2010
(This item had an original effective date of July 26, 2010. Dr. Wise asked that the effective date be changed to August 2, 2010. A motion was made by Carolyn

Hansen, seconded by Steve Matter, to change the effective date to August 2, 2010. Motion carried by unanimous vote.)

- I. Approval to keep Executive Session minutes closed from January, 2010 through June, 2010 and to destroy any audio recordings of Executive Sessions older than 18 months
- J. Approval of the Final 2009-2010 ESP Seniority List

Discussion. Vote: Frazier (aye), Glenn (aye), Matter (aye), Hansen (aye), Maris (aye), Turner (absent), Cremeens (aye). Motion carried 6-0.

Communications

A Communications Folder circulated around the table.

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

Administrative Reports

Olympia High School Principal Lance Thurman provided the Board with a report which listed the many successful activities accomplished by the OHS Citizenship in Action (CIA) group. This program focuses on serving others, not only in the Olympia community but throughout regional, state, and national communities as well. Students and staff members participating in the CIA program raised \$8,620.56 during the 2009-2010 school year.

Business & Operations Manager Andrew Wise announced that early tax dollars received from McLean County is a sign that the economy is starting to slowly recover from the recession. He continued, however, by noting that the state still owes the Olympia District approximately \$1.24 million. The tentative FY11 budget will be presented to the Board at the August 9, 2010 regular Board meeting.

Dr. Wise also shared plans to accept bids for the OMS Special Education classroom addition and to present a bid for approval at the August 9 Board meeting.

Superintendent Brad Hutchison provided the Board with a 5-year Attendance Review. It was noted that the 2009-2010 overall District attendance rate was the highest in the 5-year review. Mr. Hutchison also shared an outline of the many programs planned for the 2010-2011 school year which will keep the District aligned with the Illinois State Learning Standards. Mr. Hutchison announced that according to *Capitol Watch* (a publication by the Illinois Association of School Administrators-IASA), the backlog of unpaid state bills is a record high of \$4.7 billion which is the worst fiscal position in Illinois history. This news results in reduced funding for the state's special education programs/grants among other educational allocations. IASA states that General State Aid will continue to remain a priority. Mr. Hutchison shared his Superintendent Goals for the 2010-2011 school year and noted that each of his 4 goals are designed to implement the District's Strategic Plan. Board President Laura Cremeens also shared a Superintendent Evaluation draft which includes feedback on how

the Superintendent is meeting his/her goals and how the District's Strategic Plan is reflected through those goals.

Other Business

Carolyn Hansen shared a thought regarding asking the Olympia Foundation For Education (OFFE) to help seek additional funds through campaigning processes. She also shared that it could be beneficial if the OFFE reviewed organizations of other schools for ideas.

Action Items

A motion was made by Kevin Frazier, seconded by Trena Glenn, to approve advertisement of bids for the Olympia Middle School Special Education room addition.

Discussion. Vote: Frazier (aye), Glenn (aye), Matter (aye), Hansen (aye), Maris (aye), Turner (absent), Cremeens (aye). Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Carolyn Hansen, seconded by Kevin Frazier, to approve the Health/Life Safety amendment for paving work at Olympia West Elementary, Olympia High School, and/or Olympia Middle School.

Discussion. Vote: Hansen (aye), Frazier (aye), Matter (aye), Glenn (aye), Maris (aye), Turner (absent), Cremeens (aye). Motion carried 6-0.

Opportunity for Public Input

There was no Public Input.

Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Steve Matter, seconded by Kevin Frazier, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education

EXECUTIVE SESSION

7-12-10

There was no Executive Session.