

May 10, 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, May 10, 2010 at 7:02 p.m. with the following Board members and Administrators present: Laura Cremeens, Steve Matter, Trena Glenn, Kevin Frazier, Carolyn Hansen, and Michael Turner; Superintendent Brad K. Hutchison; Business & Operations Manager Andrew Wise; Olympia High School Principal Lance Thurman, and Olympia Middle School Principal Dan Lamboley.

Board member Doug Maris was absent but participated by phone.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Michael Turner.

### **Recognition of Visitors**

President Cremeens recognized the only visitor, Olympia Education Association Co-President Margaret Bratcher.

### **Consent Agenda**

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

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes, including Executive Session, from the April 12, 2010 regular Board of Education meeting
- C. Approval of Minutes from the April 23, 2010 special-called Executive Session Board of Education meeting
- D. Approval of Minutes from the April 29, 2010 special-called Executive Session Board of Education meeting
- E. Approval of Bills and Financial Reports
- F. Confirmation of the following resignations:
  - 1. Katherine Downey – OMS Special Education Teacher effective at the end of the 2009-2010 school year
  - 2. Lana (Umphreys) Michael – Olympia South Elementary Custodian effective April 30, 2010
  - 3. Pete Cleary – OHS Assistant Football Coach effective at the end of the 2009-2010 school year
- G. Employment of James Schultz Sr. as Custodian at Olympia South Elementary effective May 4, 2010
- H. Approval of the following correction from the April 12, 2010 Board of Education meeting: Cindy Melick will not be included in the RIF of Pre-K-6 Aides

- I. Approval of the Science Curriculum Update as presented at the April 12, 2010 Board of Education meeting
- J. Approval of the rescission of Early Retirement Option for Sally Turner
- K. Approval of the Easement Agreement between Olympia C.U.S.D. No. 16 and AmerenCILCO for property described at Olympia West Elementary
- L. Approval of the use of the District's activity bus to transport football players to and from camp in Indiana on the following dates: June 3-5, June 10, and June 12

Discussion. Vote: Frazier (aye), Matter (aye), Glenn (aye), Hansen (aye), Maris (aye), Turner (aye), Cremeens (aye). Motion carried 7-0.

### **Communications**

A Communications Folder circulated around the table.

### **Committee Reports**

Board members Steve Matter and Michael Turner, Business & Operations Manager Andrew Wise, and Superintendent Brad Hutchison shared an update with the Board from the Administrative Building & Grounds Committee meeting. They announced that ground breaking for the new grant-funded OMS classroom addition is expected in September, 2010. They also announced that a wind study update will be shared at the June 14, 2010 regular Board meeting.

Board member Matter and Superintendent Hutchison also shared information from the recently-attended Corn Belt Division Governing Committee meeting. They provided Board members with copies of the Division's updated bylaws.

Board member Kevin Frazier and Superintendent Hutchison highlighted the topics of the most recent OEA Roundtable meeting which included a conversation regarding the *Race To The Top* application.

### **Administrative Reports**

Business & Operations Manager Wise presented the Board with the tentative FY11 Working Budget. He noted that the State still owes Olympia approximately \$1.3 million dollars and that he anticipates the receipt of dollars for the next school year not matching State appropriations. Dr. Wise also announced that the Equalized Assessed Value (EAV) of the District has increased by 4% due to farm values and value added as a result of area wind turbines. Dr. Wise asked the Board to approve an annual resolution which would allow the District to use earned interest. He also asked the Board to approve an easement on the north side of Olympia West Elementary in order to complete the baseball lighting project.

Building principals' reports were shared. As the current school year is winding down, all building administrators are focused on final results regarding student achievement, school improvement, and staff development. The OHS report included information on a proposed "No

Pass, No Play” program for the 2010-2011 school year. A full report on this proposal will be given at the June 14, 2010 regular Board meeting.

A copy of the monthly Sports Medicine Summary was provided by Hopedale Medical Complex.

Superintendent Hutchison provided the Board with a draft copy of the revised District Goals which correlate with the newly revised District Mission, Vision, and Values. He also provided them with copies of the latest revised Board policies. Superintendent Hutchison recommended the implementation of Boardbook – a program that assists with electronic Board packets/documents. He also recommended participation in *Race To The Top, Phase II* – a grant program sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education. Selected states could earn up to \$400 million to be distributed among participating school districts. It was noted that Illinois received 5<sup>th</sup> place in *Phase I*.

Superintendent Hutchison provided the Board with a schematic of the future OMS addition of a grant-funded Special Education classroom. He also shared a draft copy of the bi-annual District Newsletter which is scheduled to be distributed in early June, 2010. Plans for the 2010 Annual Joint Conference were discussed as well as the District’s End-of-Year Staff Recognition/Luncheon.

Lastly, Superintendent Hutchison asked for the Board’s support of his membership into the Illinois Association of School Administrators – School for Advanced Leadership. It is felt that this 2-year training program will enhance the Superintendent’s overall personal growth plan which will in turn successfully impact student achievement. It was noted that this investment could be beneficial in the training of others as well.

### **Other Business**

There was no other business.

### **Action Items**

A motion was made by Carolyn Hansen, seconded by Kevin Frazier, to approve the Resolution for the Designation of Accrued Interest Earned as presented.

Discussion. Vote: Hansen (aye), Frazier (aye), Matter (aye), Glenn (aye), Maris (aye), Turner (aye), Cremeens (aye). Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Michael Turner, seconded by Trena Glenn, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for participation in *Race to the Top*.

Discussion. Vote: Turner (aye), Glenn (aye), Matter (aye), Frazier (aye), Hansen (aye), Maris (aye), Cremeens (aye). Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Kevin Frazier, seconded by Steve Matter, to set June 14, 2010 at 6:45 p.m. as the date/time for a Public School Calendar Waiver Hearing to be held in the Conference Room of the Olympia Administration Office.

Discussion. Vote: Frazier (aye), Matter (aye), Glenn (aye), Hansen (aye), Maris (aye), Turner (aye), Cremeens (aye). Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Michael Turner, seconded by Trena Glenn, to approve the OMS Schematic of a Special Education classroom addition as presented by Superintendent Hutchison.

Discussion. Vote: Turner (aye), Glenn (aye), Matter (aye), Frazier (aye), Hansen (aye), Maris (aye), Cremeens (aye). Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Carolyn Hansen, seconded by Michael Turner, to approve the Reduction in Force of the following part-time Custodians effective at the end of the 2009-2010 school year: Traci Ballinger and Ed Dobson.

Discussion. Vote: Hansen (aye), Turner (aye), Matter (aye), Glenn (aye), Frazier (aye), Maris (aye), Cremeens (aye). Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Steve Matter, seconded by Kevin Frazier, to approve the following revised Board policies as presented by Superintendent Hutchison: 4:60, 4:90, 4:110, 4:170, 5:20, 7:50, and 8:30.

Discussion. Vote: Matter (aye), Frazier (aye), Glenn (aye), Hansen (aye), Maris (aye), Turner (aye), Cremeens (aye). Motion carried 7-0.

### **Opportunity for Public Input**

There was no Public Input.

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Kevin Frazier, seconded by Carolyn Hansen, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

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President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
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There was no Executive Session.