

Naselle-Grays River Valley School District No.155

Lisa Nelson, Superintendent
Rhiana Jacot, Executive Secretary

Board of Directors:
Chuck Hendrickson, Chairman, Dist. 3
Amy Hunt, District 2
Amy Chadwick, District 4
Lonnie Eaton, District 5

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. via zoom and in the MS commons.

Present: Chuck Hendrickson, Amy Chadwick, Amy Hunt, Lonnie Eaton and Lisa Nelson.

Call to Order

Mr. Hendrickson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Hendrickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes or Additions to the Agenda

None

Consent Agenda – Approved as Presented

Mr. Eaton moved, seconded by Ms. Chadwick to approve the consent agenda consisting of, payroll warrants 190948-190970 in the amount of \$551,568.31, general fund warrants 190891-190947 in the amount of \$88,552.45, ASB warrants 12824-12828 in the amount of \$5,028.77, capital projects warrant 111240 in the amount of 28,650 and board minutes from June 15, 2021. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Christina Miller shared her concerns about Critical Race Theory and asked when the teachers would go through their trainings. She asked how the school would prevent CRT from infiltrating the classroom.

Ms. Nelson responded that the trainings were not yet fully developed for teachers (the only legal requirement), but the upcoming trainings would focus on equity and inclusion for all students. This could translate into the classroom in discussions such as bullying, safety, and equal opportunities regarding access of curriculum and certain classes. Ms. Nelson said that Critical Race Theory has been around for a long time, and had re-emerged due to recent social issues, but that the District had not made, and was not planning, any changes to its current curriculum based on CRT.

Ms. Miller asked how Ms. Nelson would define equity. Ms. Nelson said examples are looking at various class offerings and analyzing whether or not certain genders or ethnic groups were not accessing those courses, and if so, why not. Nelson elaborated that all of these data assessments are already required by the State Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Ms. Miller asked if sex-ed classes are conducted co-ed.

Mr. Laine replied that the school nurse conducts the sex-ed classes and that there is some sex-ed incorporated into the 9th grade Health class as a whole.

Ms. Miller handed the board members and superintendent a sex-ed curriculum that she thought was good.

Christy Fetzer asked a follow up question about adding CRT to the math curriculum and whether or not the school will be adopting a new math curriculum with Critical Race Theory content.

Ms. Nelson responded that the school has been piloting a new math program which will be adopted, but it does not involve Critical Race Theory.

Ms. Fetzer said it sounded like Ms. Nelson answered what she thought equality meant, but not equity.

Ms. Nelson said she expects teachers to take their students from where they are academically and move them forward as far as they can. If a student can do calculus, then let them do calculus. We are not going to limit them.

Patty Crawford shared her concerns about CRT and the 1619 Project that is being adopted in other school districts. She shared concerns that her grandson will be taught that he is privileged because he is white. She did not want him to feel

differently because of his skin color. She does not want the District to teach these things. Ms. Crawford told the board that they have power over the school and not to be bullied by those in power. Ms. Crawford said there will be a new sex-ed bill forthcoming. She asked what the curriculum will be in high school and if a student opts out of sex-ed will they lose their health credit.

Ms. Nelson said students have the right to opt out, but it doesn't affect their credits. Nelson stated the sexual health curriculum is the same now and going forward that it has been since 2008.

Mr. Hendrickson replied that there was a sex-ed bill already passed, but it didn't change anything that the school is currently doing. So therefore, no changes were planned.

Pam Anderson gave Superintendent, Lisa Nelson, a copy of a belief statement by the Chehalis School District.

Ms. Nelson read the statement to the board and the public at the meeting.

Ms. Chadwick read the Naselle-Grays River Valley School District's mission statement afterward and said that the Chehalis statement says a lot, but that our mission statement sums up that belief as well.

Personnel

Mr. Eaton moved, seconded by Ms. Hunt to acknowledge the resignation of Jim Moten, middle school football coach. Motion carried.

Ms. Chadwick moved, seconded by Mr. Eaton to acknowledge the resignation of Matthew Scrabeck, assistant football coach. Motion carried.

Ms. Hunt moved, seconded by Ms. Chadwick to approve the hire of Rona Johnson, teacher. Motion carried.

Mr. Eaton moved, seconded by Ms. Hunt to approve the hire of Charlene Hauge, teacher. Motion carried.

Ms. Hunt moved, seconded by Mr. Eaton to approve the extension of the contract for Justin Laine, interim principal. Motion carried.

Ms. Chadwick moved, seconded by Mr. Eaton to approve the extension of the contract for Kellyn Hazen, interim intervention specialist/counselor. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Mr. Eaton moved, seconded by Ms. Chadwick to approve budget resolution 2021-2-20 to fix and adopt the budget for 2021-22. Motion carried.

Ms. Hunt moved, seconded by Mr. Eaton to approve the contract amounts for 2021-22 certificated staff. Motion carried.

Mr. Eaton moved, seconded by Ms. Chadwick to approve overnight travel for summer school activities and events.. Motion carried.

Ms. Chadwick moved, seconded by Mr. Eaton to renew Amy Chadwick as school board legislative representative. Motion carried.

Mr. Eaton moved, seconded by Ms. Chadwick to approve the purchase of K-12 math curriculum, not to exceed \$31,000. Motion carried.

Ms. Hunt moved, seconded by Mr. Eaton to approve the list of surplus computers. Motion carried.

Principals/Staff Reports

Superintendent's Report

- End of the year average FTE: K-12 - 303 FTE, budgeted FTE was 285; NYCS – 54.5 FTE, budgeted was 55.
- There are 42 students currently at the Youth Camp School and rumors that DNR may not continue. Currently there is one DNR crew operating.
- Summer school is currently going on at the public school.
- Fund Balance \$1,825,418
- The next board meeting will be August 17th in the middle school commons.
- Ms. Nelson thanked Naselle Rock and Asphalt for the donation of rock and the rolling at the Lions Park by Okies.

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- Ms. Nelson invoiced DCYF in the amount of \$343,000 for shortage of students for the 20/21 school year at NYCS.
- There was a public records request for a student transcript from NYCS for a student that attended many years ago.

Board Member Reports and Future Agenda Items

Ms. Chadwick thanked the public attendees for bringing their concerns to the board.

Adjournment

Mr. Eaton moved, seconded by Ms. Chadwick to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried.



Secretary to the Board

8-17-21

Date



Chairman of the Board

8/17/21

Date