

**SULTAN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 311
MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
June 20, 2011
SULTAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY
501 DATE STREET, SULTAN, WA 98294
7:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the Sultan School District No. 311 Board of Directors was held on Monday, June 20, 2011, beginning at 7:00 p.m., an Exempt Session was held 5:30-6:45 on June 20, 2011 preceding the regularly schedule meeting.

Board Members Present

Tracy Cotterill
Patty Fountain
Russ Sumpter
Steve Fox

Superintendent Present

Dan Chaplik

Roll Call

Board Members Absent

Craig Roesler

Student Rep Present

Mikayla Day

Staff Members Present: Layne Anderson, Dave Moon, David Paratore, Shawn Ryan, Scott Sifferman, Laurel Anderson,

Visitors Present: Charlie Weaver, Russell Wiita

Call to Order

Vice-Chairman Patty Fountain called the regular board meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Audience
Input**

Russell Wiita, SHS student, addressed the Board of Directors regarding the lay-off of Brent Ashley, SHS English teacher. He wanted the board to know what a dynamic teacher Mr. Ashley is, as well, as a great role model. Russell also thanked the board for its continued support of the SHS Music program.

**Review of
Agenda**

Director Russ Sumpter asked that the word decisive be changed to divisive on page two of the June 6, 2011 Special Board Meeting minutes.

Tracy Cotterill made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda:

**Consent
Agenda**

- 5) Approval of Minutes of May 16, 2011, Regular Board Meeting and Special Board Meeting, June 6, 2011.
- 6) Approval of Certificated & Classified Personnel Report
- 7) Approval of General Fund Vouchers for May/June Nos. 111209 through 111325 in the total amount of \$252,963.52; ASB Vouchers Nos. 410313 through 410340 in the total amount of \$18,235.05; May Capital Projects Vouchers No. 210011 in the amount of \$880.73; June payroll TBD.
- 8) Adoption of 2011/2012 School Board of Directors Calendar
- 9) Approval of NWRDC 2011/2012 Contract
- 10) Approval of NWESD 2011-2012 CBA Cooperative

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- 11) Approval of 2011/2012 Highly Capable Grant/Plan and 2010/2011 Highly Capable EOY Report.
- 12) Approval to issue Certificated Contracts 2011-2012
- 13) Approval to issue Certificated Administrative Contracts 2011-2012
- 14) Approval to issue Classified Administrative Contracts 2011-2012

Russ Sumpter seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Association
Reports

Mikayla Day the 2011-2012 SHS ASB Representative to the Board of Directors stated that she was honored and excited to serve on the board as the ASB representative in the upcoming school year. Mikayla stated that all was ending well at SHS. She also stated that she had met the incoming Freshman ASB Officers and they are ready and willing and excited to get to work at SHS.

Student
Services
Report

David Paratore, Executive Director of Student Programs and School Support reported that the year ended with 291 students in Special Education, 11 of the students are B-3 and are served through a contract with Snohomish County. There are 27 students in the 3-5 preschool program. It is recommended that two sessions be offered next year in the 3-5 programs due to the increased enrollment in that program. The sessions in this program will fluctuate depending on enrollment. There are 253 K-12 students in the Special Education program. ESY will be offered in August 2011 for students with more significant developmental needs. 191 students have been served through the Title I program at SES and GBE. 148 students have received services through the LAP grant; these services are provided at SMS, SHS and SVO. The LAP grant will allow Sultan High School to offer extended learning opportunities through a summer program using Odysseyware for high school students grades 9-12 who have failed an academic content class during the school year and need credit retrieval for graduation. The program is open to Sultan High School and Sky Valley Options students and will be funded out of Title I funds. There are 102 students in the ELL program. The number typically increases in the fall. Summer HSPE will be offered in August at SHS. The district received notification of its 2nd Safety Net award amount, the application was submitted in April 2011; the amount awarded is \$28,428.00, the exact amount the district applied for. The first round submission was for \$83,774.00, the total 2010-2011 Safety Net award is \$112,202.00. These funds will become available in August 2011.

Good News

GOLD BAR ELEMENTARY: 5th Grade had a successful time at camp and 4th Grade had a great time learning of their natural surroundings while walking to Wallace Falls. Carlene Crossman facilitated our final session of Gold Bar University on the topic of Reading. All 5th grade students completed the Physical Education CBA. Nan Whybark, GBE Para-Educator, put on a fabulous Author's Day for the students/staff at GBE and Sno-Isle Library did a presentation to all students. The Book-mobile will be visiting the city of Gold Bar during the 2011 summer. A GBE teacher Sheri Klennert was the recipient of an outstanding article in the Monroe Monitor regarding her Oregon Trail Project. The Sultan High School Music Program put on an outstanding assembly for GBE students; they even played Mr. Ryan's favorite song, "Sweet Caroline". The Middle School Music Program put on a great assembly for GBE as well. GBE held its annual talent show in which over 25 students participated.

Mr. Ryan held a volunteer appreciation at which he served coffee, tea, hot chocolate and coffee cake to the deserving GBE Volunteers.

SULTAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: Sultan Elementary celebrates an end to a very successful year! Highlighting community support by volunteer spirit: Over 40 Watch Dog Dads volunteered and helped supervise around campus throughout the year on a weekly basis. Parent helpers in classrooms averaged ten per day, equaling more than 1,800 hours of extra help on campus. SES PTO continued to support family events and resources to support classroom learning, amounting to more than ten family events this year. Our choral music evening programs continued to pull in attendance of 300-400 families and community members for four shows this year. High School volunteers from both SHS and Sky Valley Options have helped small group learning in many classrooms throughout the year! This increase in parent and community involvement is the result of the change in the SES climate over the past several years where the campus has a positive, engaging, and welcoming atmosphere for families, classrooms are open to volunteers, and SES is just a fun place to come for the day! With this community support and the extra energy and time teachers have put in to improve their instructional strategies in Purpose, Engagement, Assessment, Curriculum/Content, and Environment: learning has had a continuous upward trend, so we thank all teachers and parents who have contributed to this positive change. On Monday, June 13, 2011 students went through 5th Grade Promotion in the SES gym. 37 students received the Presidential Excellence-Gold Award (passed all 3 sections of the 4th grade MSP); 19 students received the Presidential Achievement Award (showing academic growth for 3 consecutive years); and 14 students received Citizenship Awards. Over 300 community members attended this event. Another great event for not only SES, but for the entire Sultan community, was KCTS-TV's Golden Apple recognition of Sultan Elementary for its academic achievement in Mathematics and the hard work of teachers involved in our Math Lesson Study Project. The video of SES was broadcast on three different dates around the state at prime time on TV-9. To date, community members still stop Principal Anderson and mention how proud they are that the town of Sultan was highlighted across the state for such positive academic change and innovative methods. SES PTO Carnival was Friday, June 17, with around 2,000 people attending. Wow!! Field Day was Monday, June 20, with our Volunteer Luncheon showing much appreciation for a year of support! And grade reports will be going home on June 27th. Thanks teachers and community for all you do for kids!

SULTAN MIDDLE SCHOOL: SMS students and staff enjoyed another great year. Many students were recognized for academic achievement, as well as perfect attendance and exemplary citizenship during our honors celebration on June 7. A full house of parents and students enjoyed refreshments, followed by our last music concert of the year. Thank you, Mr. Pallo, for your extra time and effort and building such a great music program at our school. The end of the year brings many fun opportunities for students. Our students collected funds for the Relay for Life; winners of the cookie sale fundraiser participated in bowling and "Deal or No Deal"; seventh graders enjoyed a field trip to a Mariners' baseball game; eighth graders slipped and slid at the water slides; and sixth graders played at Funtasia.

This time of year also brings preparations for transitions to and from our school. Current fifth graders and their parents from both SES and GBE were invited to our school for several visits to get acquainted with life at the middle school. Eighth graders learned about scheduling for their first year in high school. Finally, our academic celebration for eighth graders took place on the last day of school. The students and staff are enjoying the results of our school-wide efforts to increase good manners and decrease bullying. We are looking forward to more progress in these areas next year. Students, staff and parents had the opportunity to complete an online perception survey about our school. The data collected will be analyzed by staff and shared throughout our school community. The purpose of the survey was to develop a performance baseline as we continue to move through our improvement process.

SULTAN HIGH SCHOOL: Sultan High School successfully graduated 112 seniors on Saturday, June 11. The students did an excellent job of making the 100th SHS commencement a classy affair. **FABIOLA ARROYO, LEIGHA DALE** and **RYAN FOX** gave excellent valedictorian addresses, and Senior Class President, **VICTORIA CANTU**, also communicated a great message in her speech. Congratulations go out to the maintenance/custodial and SHS staffs for making the event run smoothly and efficiently. Spring is the time of numerous awards programs. Some of the most significant were as follows:

MUSIC: Outstanding Actress – **LEIGHA DALE**; Outstanding Actor – **TIM ABT**; Louis Armstrong Jazz Award – **DYLAN ROUSSEAU**; National School Choir Award – **MCKENZIE SUMPTER**; John Philip Sousa Award – **LEIGHA DALE, RYAN FOX, MCKENZIE SUMPTER**

ATHLETICS: Jed Koenig Award – **STEVEN LEVERETT**; Cliff Gillies Award – **ZACH DAY** and **VICTORIA CANTU**; Athletes of the Spring – **ZACH DAY** and **KELCI MacDICKEN**; Athletes of the Year – **THEO VANDENEKART** and **KELCI MacDICKEN**.

ACADEMICS: Twelve students received SHS Image Maker Awards and eighteen seniors received the President's Award for Academic Excellence. **ROCIO CARRANZA** and **RACHEL WHITBECK** received the Mayor's Youth Achievement Award from the Sultan and Gold Bar City Councils, respectively. 129 students were honored by their teachers for outstanding performance in various classes. Word has been received that **MIKAYLA DAY** has been chosen, through an application and interview process, as the SHS Student Representative to the Sultan City Council for the 2011-2012 school year. **PAXTON KOENIG** was chosen as the alternate. Mikayla will serve as the representative for both the SSD Board of Directors and the Sultan City Council. Junior, **MATT HALL**, has been notified that he has been selected to participate in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine to be held in San Francisco in July. The forum will deal with issues of public health, medical ethics, research and general practice. Students of the Week since the last Good News Report have been **LIZBETH ALVAREZ, TRAVIS FALCON, ANGELA GASPARINI, JULIANNE TRAN** and **ALEX McCHESNEY**. Eight Turk spring athletes were honored by the Cascade Conference by being named to First Team All-Conference Teams.

They were **EMILY TOMPKINS, DEON FREYMUTH** and **MAKAYLA McNAUGHTON** for track; **SAM HATTON** and **STEVEN LEVERETT** for baseball; **KELCI MacDICKEN** for softball; and **BRIAN ORDONEZ** and **DAVID SHIRLEY** for soccer. Senior **NATHANAEL SCHMIDT** was inducted into the National Technical Honor Society for his technical excellence in robotics at Sno-Isle Tech.

SKY VALLEY OPTIONS: As of June 17, SVO has graduated 11 students this year (2010/11) and The American Academy (TAA) graduated one. SVO Graduation was a true celebration of our student's successes with an amazing live band and good messages from speakers. **Dylan Lund** and **Maria Morey** gave nice student addresses. 100% participation among Freshmen Navigation with positive feedback from students and parents. As of the morning of June 20th, 37 out of 58 students (63%) completed a Student-Led Conference. As of June 17, we completed intake meetings for 32 students returning to SVO and there are several more intake meetings scheduled this week. So far, we have taken nine new application and they will be interviewed in the fall. SVO is supported by the community. A family donated some furniture to Sky Valley Options for the Co-op Center. **Anna Marie Lopez-Flores** gave birth to a healthy baby girl, Magdalina, and managed to pass a class.

OPERATIONS: Through joint effort, Technology and Maintenance has completed the Middle School Sound System Upgrade. The upgraded consisted of a mounted projector, two wireless microphones, a new mixer, and a computer all located in a cabinet just to the right of the stage for easy access. The Middle School's honor social was the first event that used the new system and the results were outstanding. Mrs. Briganti also uses the projector on a daily basis in the morning and during lunch to announce upcoming events and to get important information to students. The capital project was budgeted at \$5,000 and came in just over \$4,000 with a saving of over \$900. The capital project website is updated with the final pictures of this project.

**Schedule
a Capital
Projects
review**

Dan Chaplik, Superintendent, suggested that Steve Becker, Director of Maintenance & Transportation, present the 2010/2011 Capital Projects List to the Board of Directors for review as well as the 2011/2012 bus replacement schedule, and set a list of Capital Projects for the 2011/2012 year.

Vice-Chairman, Patty Fountain, reported that she attended the GBE promotion and that it was a very nice event.

**Monetary
Donation to SHS
from CJ & Ester
Foundation**

Scott Sifferman, SHS Assistant Principal, presented a \$2,000 monetary donation from the CJ & Ester Foundation to SHS ASB to provide fitness center enhancements. Tracy Cotterill asked if the fitness center is available during the summer; Mr. Sifferman stated that will be, however the schedule has not yet been confirmed. Tracy Cotterill made a motion to approve the donation as presented. Steve Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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Scott Sifferman, SHS Assistant Principal, presented the revised SHS Extra-curricular Activities Code for board approval.

Revised SHS
Extra-
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Code

Mr. Sifferman explained that the greatest revision to the code is in the area of the appeals process, as well as aligning the code with board policy. The revisions have been influenced by feedback from a survey taken by staff, parents and students. The revised code better clarifies consequences of drugs and alcohol. The board directed that typos be corrected and co-curricular language be replaced with extra-curricular. Russ Sumpter made a motion to approve the SHS Activities Code, pending typos are corrected. Steve Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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Revised
2150P/2151P
1st Reading
Tabled
pending
corrections

Scott Sifferman, SHS Assistant Principal, presented revised 2150P Extra-curricular Program and revised 2151P Interscholastic Athletics for board approval. The board directed typos be corrected and co-curricular language be replaced with extra-curricular and be presented for 1st reading at the July 18, 2011 board meeting.

Approval of
travel Sultan
High School
Year Book
Editors to
Workshop
July 17-20,
2010 Puget
Sound
University

Dan Chaplik, Superintendent, presented information regarding a travel request for Sultan High Yearbook students to attend Northwest Yearbook Workshop at the University of Puget Sound July 17-20, 2011. Counselors are provided by Puget Sound University. Tracy Cotterill made a motion to approve the Sultan High School Yearbook Editor's travel request as presented. Steve Fox seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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Out-Of State
Travel to
DIBELS
Training

David Paratore, Executive Director of Student Programs and School Support, presented out-of-state travel for Tamara McNew to attend DIBELS training July 11-14, 2011, in Eugene, Oregon. Mr. Paratore explained that the travel expenses for this trip will be paid out of the Title I grant. This training is for the new version of DIBELS testing. The training is a train the trainer model; once trained Tamara will be able to train additional staff in the new version of DIBELS. Russ Sumpter made a motion to approve the out-of-state travel as presented. Tracy Cotterill seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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Financials

Director of Fiscal Services, Layne Anderson, reviewed the monthly financial reports. Layne stated that the financial department is preparing for the transition to the WESPAC system, scheduled for June 29, 2011. Layne also reported that he has been working through the revenue portion of the 11/12 budget, inputting information into the new revenue model. Layne stated that a fiscal agent from the ESD has been assisting him with the process and that it appears that the district will be receiving revenue comparable to 2010/11. The deficit amount that will be factored into the model is \$800,000 to \$900,00, Dan Chaplik, Superintendent, stated that the reduction in funding for salaries is closer to 1.6 rather than 1.9 due to the way in which the state funds employees. Layne stated that he has discussed with Snohomish County the cash shortfall in July and has worked through the process with them. Layne reported that SHS ASB funds will be in the good for the second year in a row. Layne asked if the Board of Directors had any questions of him regarding the budget report; they had none. It was stated that the 2011/12 budgeted enrollment was 1780 traditional, 360 CVA and 10 AA. Layne stated that the Board of Directors should consider a fund transfer of \$160,000 from the DSF to CPF. The CP budget will be approximately \$230,000 for 2011/12.

According to Layne, the state will continue with the current funding model for transportation. He recommended that the district continue with the bus replacement schedule in 2011/12. Russ Sumpter questioned if the transportation bus replacement schedule has changed with the decrease in enrollment. It was determined that the replacement schedule should be revisited and adjusted.

Reduction in 2011/12 Superintendent's Contract

Dan Chaplik, Superintendent, discussed a reduction of the 2011/2012 superintendent's contract. It was decided that the 2011/2012 superintendent's contract will be reduced by 8 days. Once these changes are in place, the contract will be presented for board approval. The Board of Directors commended Mr. Chaplik for leading by example.

Adjournment

Tracy Cotterill moved and Russ Sumpter seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

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Reconvene

Tracy Cotterill moved and Russ Sumpter seconded a motion to reconvene the regular meeting at 8:30 to approve overnight travel for SHS students attending a leadership workshop during the summer months. The need for board approval and travel information was brought to the board's attention by Russell Wiita, SHS student, after the meeting had been adjourned. Russell stated that he pursued a grant through the SEF for Mikayla Day and himself to attend a leadership workshop, in Randal, Washington, July 12-17, 2011. He apologized and did not realize that the overnight travel required board approval. The Board of Directors agreed to approve the travel pending all required paperwork was processed and in place prior to the workshop date. They also stated that the approval is a one-time only exception and did not set a precedent for future student travel requests. Russ Sumpter moved and Steve Fox seconded a motion to allow Superintendent Dan Chaplik, to approve the over-night student travel.

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Approval for Superintendent Dan Chaplik to approve over-night student travel pending proper paperwork is processed

Russell will do a presentation to the board of directors regarding the workshop.

Adjournment

Tracy Cotterill moved and Russ Sumpter seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:35 p.m.

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Being there was no further business Vice Chairman Fountain adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Jackie Whaley
Recording Secretary

Dan Chaplik, Superintendent

Craig Roesler, Chairman