

GRAPEVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT #54
822 Mason Benson Road
Grapeview, WA 98546

BOARD OF DIRECTORS STUDY SESSION MINUTES
November 27, 2007

The study session began at 6:00 p.m. in the school library. Members present were Mike McGuire, Pamela Berger, Dee Ann Kline, Randy Duckworth and Darren Porter.

Levy: Gayle Fletcher chairperson for the levy committee presented the committees recommendation for the Maintenance and Operation Levy. The committee is recommending a \$451,360 replacement levy. This is a 12% increase over the last levy amount. Since the levy committee decision the district has completed the Strategic Plan. Identified in the Strategic Plan are a number of goals and plans to be addressed in the next several years. To address some of the goals and plans there will be a need to possibly fund new programs. The Board requested Gayle to go back to the levy committee and consider additional funds.

Capital Facilities Plan: The Capital Facilities Plan enrollment projections have been updated. This plan is to be adopted by Mason County as part of the Growth Management Act. The updated enrollment predictions include students in kindergarten counted as a full time equivalent. The updated plan will be present to the Mason County Commissioners on January 7 at 9:00 a.m. Mike and Dee Ann will attend the meeting. Pam will be the backup board member and will attend if Mike or Dee Ann cannot.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
November 27, 2007

Board Chair Mike McGuire called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the school library.

Board members present: Those members present, Mike McGuire chair, Pamela Berger member, Randy Duckworth member, Dee Ann Kline member, Darren Porter member, and Dale Almlie, superintendent and secretary to the board.

Staff members present: Joan Jensen, Alice Burnett and Tracy Arkin, recording minutes.

Members of the audience: Jolene Dumont.

Agenda: The agenda was approved with one addition. Under Board Items, a discussion on the Geography Bee Finals.

Minutes: The minutes from the October 23, 2007 were approved by a vote of 5-0.

Superintendent Report: Dale Almlie, superintendent reported on the following items:

WSSDA Conference: Dale attended the WSSDA conference and a workshop presented by Dr. Karen Mapp. Dale stated that this was an excellent workshop on direct links between students and educational partnerships among schools, families, and community members. Much of what was presented should be addressed in our strategic plan.

School Facilities Planning: Dale has a meeting scheduled with Doug Nichols on December 11, to initiate discussion on future facilities planning for Grapeview. Mr. Nichols works for a construction service group out of ESD112 and is also working with North Mason School District. This is the first step in developing a facilities plan for Grapeview.

Mason County Board of Health Task Force for Mental Health: Dale attended the task force meeting on November 19. The emphasis of the task force is to focus on improving access to medical, dental and mental health care to Mason County. This will be year long committee and will meet at least four times during the year.

District Newsletter: We will be publishing and sending out our first newsletter in the first week of January. It will be sent to all community members.

Dr. Bill Keim, Superintendent of ESD 113: Dr. Keim visited the Grapeview School on Tuesday, November 20. He had a chance to visit several classrooms and visit with students. Alex Griffin and Libby Martin were our student ambassadors who showed Dr. Keim our school. They did an excellent job in representing Grapeview School.

Principal Report: Joan reported on the following items:

Parents Club: Parents' Club will be serving dinner at Math Night on November 29. There about 150 people registered to attend.

Emergency Preparedness: On November 19 Joan attended a workshop on, "If Disaster Struck Your School Today". Joan is now FEMA certified in Emergency Management Incident Command System for schools, and National Incident Management

One-On-One Job Assignment: We have a student who has recently had surgery at the base of her brain. Since surgery she has some problems with balance, strength and speech. We have hired Vicki Barth to be a one-on-one para to assist her with scribing and helping her as needed.

Hunting close to Campus: Since the middle of November we have been hearing gun shots off in the distance. Joan has been in contact with the Fish and Game Department and the Peninsula Bird Hunters Association. There is a pheasant release sight a couple of miles from our school. The response from both associations was to very good. Bird hunting is now closed during the week and open only Saturday and Sunday. Bird hunting season ends December 15. They will not be using the Sherwood Creek Field next year as a release area.

Financial Report: Tracy reported a projected net ending cash balance \$145,289.35 for the month ending November 30, 2007.

Budget Status: Balances as shown by the County Treasurer as of 10/31/07:

Transportation	\$	61,216.38
Debt Service Fund	\$	38,765.52
Capital Projects Fund	\$	459,710.94
ASB Fund	\$	4,454.18
General Fund	\$	171,477.43

Consent Agenda: Dee Ann made a motion seconded by Pamela to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed 5-0.

Payment of Bills:

General Fund Vouchers	#27305-27348	\$	39,104.05
General Fund Payroll	#27349-27382	\$	110,878.79
Capital Projects Vocuhers	#448-449	\$	232.67
ASB Vouchers	329	\$	98.12

Board Items:

Resolution 11.27.07 M&O Levy: Moved to next month.

Capital Facilities Plan: Dee Ann made a motion seconded by Pam to approve the Capital Facilities Plan. Motion passed 5-0.

Geography Bee Finals: Dale asked the board to consider having the finals for the Geography Bee during a study session like we have done in the past. The staff indicated that they like this format and having the board present. The board agreed to hold the Geography bee at the January meeting at 6:00 p.m. Additionally, the board will hold the study session at 5:00 p.m. in the library.

Board Member Comments:

Mike: Thanked Dale for his good work, drive and effort in developing the strategic plan.

Dee Ann: Martha Bryan did a great job as facilitator for the strategic plan process.

Darren: None.

Randy: Good Meeting. Randy asked if Tracy could provided an approximate cost for program additions for the levy to review when they are considering the levy amount.

Audience Comments: None.

Executive Session: None.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Dale Almlie, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board.

Dale Almlie, Secretary

Mike McGuire, Board Chair