

**WASHINGTON STATE CENTER FOR
CHILDHOOD DEAFNESS & HEARING LOSS**
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
May 1, 2015

Board Members: Allie Joiner (District #2)
Nancy Sinkovitz (District #3)
Nita Kamphuis (District # 4)
Rita Reandeau (District #6)
Sidney Weldele-Wallace (District #8)
Larry Swift (District #10)

Absent: Maria Christianson (District #1)
Char Parsley (District #5)
Ariele Belo (District #7)
Nancy Fitta (District #9)

Legal Counsel: Bonnie Terada

Executive Director: Rick Hauan

Superintendent: Jane Mulholland

Recorder: Judy Smith
Interpreters: Julie Moore, Don Coates

Guests: CDHL Statewide Outreach Team members

- Cathy Corrado, Literacy Specialist
- Rebecca Butz-Houghton, School Psychologist

The meeting was called to order by Sidney Weldele-Wallace, chair, at 9:50 a.m. It was determined a quorum was present.

Minutes – March 6, 2015

Rita Reandeau moved to approve the March 6, 2015, meeting minutes. Nita Kamphuis seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

Finance Committee Report

The legislature hasn't voted on a budget yet but the good news is that the House, Senate, and Governor's proposed budgets are all the same for CDHL. All of the budget scenarios increase our biennial budget by at least \$1.2 million. Unfortunately, until a budget has been approved, nothing is definite.

Board comments

- Nita Kamphuis – Her district has a need for CDHL services recently. She said it was very comforting to have so many services available. Both parents and staff were very appreciative of the services provided.
- Sidney Weldele-Wallace is working with Cathy Corrado and several school districts throughout the state regarding CART (Communication Access Realtime Translation) services. Both Lake Stevens and West Valley School Districts are accessing CART services and two more school districts will be added in the near future.

Note: The Executive Session has been moved to 10:30 a.m. and the CEASD agenda item will be at 1:30 p.m.

Executive Session

The Board went into Executive Session at 10:50 a.m. for 30 minutes pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) "To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee...." The meeting reopened at 11:20 a.m.

Strategic Plan 2015-2019

The proposed Strategic Plan 2015-2019 was distributed and discussed. The "mission statement" has been revised to include CDHL and a vision statement added. The various areas addressed in the Strategic Plan are:

- ASL English Bilingual Program
- Curriculum and Assessment
- Transition
- Technology

The "Report to the Legislature" was the guiding document in preparing the Strategic Plan. The Board wants the Strategic Plan to be very clear as to what is needed in the coming years and to identify resources to meet those needs.

Please email any comments regarding the proposed Strategic Plan to Judy Smith. A final draft will be submitted at the June Board meeting for adoption.

Math Team (Stowe Beacher and Michelle Clark, Sponsors)

Team members were introduced: Kaja Stone, Emma McKinney, Jennifer Tudor, and Jayson Cabanizas.

The team flew to Rochester, New York, on April 10th to compete in team and individual math competitions. The competitions were held on the RIT (Rochester Institute of Technology) campus. During free time WSD students toured the RIT campus and spent an evening at the Family Fun Center.

Thanks to D.E.A.F. (Deaf Education Advocacy Foundation) for donating \$2,000 to cover the airfare for the team. The Board thanked the team and sponsors for their hard work and for representing WSD in such a positive way.

Larry Swift made a motion asking the Board Chair to send a letter of thanks to D.E.A.F. for their wonderful donation to WSD's Math Team. Nita Kamphuis seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

CEASD Conference (Shauna Bilyeu, Conference Coordinator)

Thanks to Allie Joiner, Sidney Weldele-Wallace, and Ariele Belo for attending the recent CEASD conference in Tacoma. Allie attended the National Outreach Conference as well and was very impressed with both conferences. Sidney said the conference committee did a wonderful job.

A slide show of the various CEASD conference activities was shared. Highlights of the conference included:

- Performance by the winners of WSD's ASL Poetry contest during the opening ceremonies.
- Welcome by Governor Jay Inslee. Governor Inslee was given the "National Champion Award" which recognizes and expresses appreciation to key external stakeholders who provide exemplary strategic assistance which directly impacts the success of CEASD on behalf of the member schools and programs, students and their families.

The theme of this year's conference was "From Seedlings to Evergreens – The Nurturing of School Leaders".

Shauna wished to thank the conference committee for their hard work in making this year's conference such a success. A special thank you to Kelly Moore for the amazing job she did on the program book and posters.

Comments from the CEASD Board members and various attendees were very positive. Many were amazed at how much support we have from our Governor and other leaders throughout the state.

Congratulations to Shauna and her team for the outstanding job they did!

Note: CDHL/WSD will be hosting the 2016 ASL Roundtable conference here on the WSD campus.

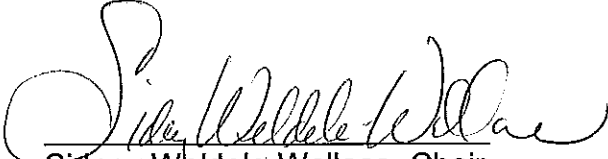
June 12th Board meeting agenda items

- Strategic Plan – final draft and adoption
- Executive Director's evaluation (Executive Session)
- Open Public Meetings Training (Bonnie Terada)

- "Socio-emotional Development and the Connection to Language" (April McArthur)
- Update on Seattle Public Schools Community Forum to be held on May 19, 2015
- Common Ground Project update

Adjournment

Hearing no objections the meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.



Sidney Weldele-Wallace, Chair
CDHL Board of Trustees



Rick Hauan, Executive Director
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