

**WASHINGTON STATE CENTER FOR
CHILDHOOD DEAFNESS & HEARING LOSS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
November 18, 2011**

Board Members: Pat Clothier (District #2)
Val Ogden (District #3)
Nita Kamphuis (District #4)
Rita Reandeau (District #6)
Sidney Weldele-Wallace (District #8)
Larry Swift (District #9)

Absent: Allie Joiner (District #1)
Char Parsley (District #5)
Ariele Belo (District #7)

Director: Rick Hauan

Superintendent: Jane Mulholland

Legal Counsel: Bonnie Terada

Recorder: Judy Smith

Interpreters: Julie Moore, Don Coates

The meeting was called to order by Nita Kamphuis, chair, at 10:46 a.m. It was determined a quorum was present.

Minutes – October 14, 2011 meeting

Val Ogden moved to approve the October 14, 2011, Board meeting minutes. Rita Reandeau seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

Board Finance Committee Meeting

A special session of the legislature begins November 28th. CDHL won't know the extent of budget cuts until the state budget is approved. The Director will update the Board and staff when more information is available.

ILS (Independent Living Skills) students

The ILS program is sponsoring two families this holiday season. Both families have a deaf member. Fundraisers include milkshake sales and a "Giving Tree" which will be located in the Clarke Hall lobby. All donations must be at WSD by Monday, December 12th.

Rick Hauan, Director

- The Director met with two Educational Audiologists in the Spokane area. CDHL is looking to build capacity statewide by using professionals in various areas of the

state. The goal is to create hubs of services throughout the state and then purchase staff time to support students in areas without services.

- A meeting was held at the ESD (Educational Service District) in Pasco to discuss a possible satellite office in that area. Unfortunately, this project is on hold due to district budget cuts.
- A CDHL consultation meeting was held at the Puget Sound ESD (Renton) in early November. This meeting included deaf & hard of hearing educators and support staff from around the state. The topic of discussion was how to approach districts and provide support to students and district who need it. The group will be meeting quarterly.
- The Board applauds the Director for the work he is doing throughout the state on behalf of CDHL/WSD.

Jane Mulholland, Superintendent

- The middle school students planned and led a Veteran's Day assembly. The students created a poem, cheer and PowerPoint presentation. Great job everyone!
- Thanks to Kirk Walter for the great job he did in repainting Hunter Gym.
- Four staff members recently attended the ASLRT (ASL Round Table) in Tucson, Arizona. The purpose of the ASLRT is to provide a place for PreK – 12th grade ASL professionals and administrators to address best practices and issues related to ASL as a content subject in the areas of language development, curriculum, instruction, and assessment.
- The Superintendent recently attended Thanksgiving dinner prepared by the Post High School Program (PHSP) students. What a delicious meal! There are currently nine students in the PHSP.
- WSD/CDHL will hold a Statewide Open House on May 10-11, 2012. Students in 5th – 12th grades will be able to visit classrooms, meet with WSD staff/students, and participate in many activities and social events. Participants will stay in the cottages under the supervision of the Student Life Counselors. There will also be special presentations and workshops for parents.
- The month of November is National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo). Elementary and middle school students participate in this program and high school students can also participate if they wish.
- The Deaf Education Advocates Foundation (D.E.A.F.) is raffling a quilt. This award winning quilt was donated to D.E.A.F. by a local quilter. Proceeds will be used to fund the WSD's Deaf Academic Bowl and Special Olympics programs.
- An "ASL-English Bilingual Program Fact Sheet" was distributed. This booklet includes definitions, frequently asked questions, parent testimonials, and research information about the importance of a strong bilingual program.

Bullying Awareness Week (Jason Cox, School Counselor/Jennifer Ellis, Teacher of the Deaf)

Bullying Awareness Week began October 31st. The theme this year was "Stomp Out Bullying". Staff and students wore different colors each day:

- Monday: Blue for "respect"
- Tuesday: Yellow for "support"
- Wednesday: Red for "love"
- Thursday: Pink for "loyalty"

- Friday: Rainbow for "Stomp Out Bullying"

Students created a video showing the wrong and right way to treat each other. Thanks to Jason and Jennifer for their hard work in making Bullying Awareness Week such a success!

Policy Review – second reading

The following policies were presented for second reading:

- Policy 5600: Student Teacher/Intern
- Policy 3207: Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (updates and replaces 3202)

Val Ogden moved to approve policies 5600 – Student Teacher/Intern and 3207 – Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying. Sidney Weldele-Wallace seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

Future meetings

- The April 13, 2012, meeting will be held in Spokane (9 a.m. – 2 p.m.)
- Lunch will be shortened to 30 minutes for all future meetings.

Classroom Demonstration

Thanks to Raye Schaefer and her Kindergarten/1st grade class for the SmartBoard demonstration. The Board members especially enjoyed interacting with the students.

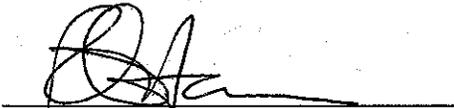
Executive Session

The Board went into Executive Session at 1:38 p.m. for 20 minutes pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) "To discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation" and 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 1:58 p.m.

Adjournment

Since there were no objections, the Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:28 p.m.


 Nita Kamphuis, Chair
 CDHL Board of Trustees


 Rick Hauan, Director
 CDHL

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