

**WASHINGTON STATE CENTER FOR  
CHILDHOOD DEAFNESS & HEARING LOSS  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
June 7, 2012**

Board Members: Allie Joiner (District #1)  
Val Ogden (District #3)  
Nita Kamphuis (District #4)  
Char Parsley (District #5)  
Rita Reandeau (District #6)  
Ariele Belo (District #7)  
Sidney Weldele-Wallace (District #8)  
Larry Swift (District #9)

Absent: Pat Clothier (District #2)

Director: Rick Hauan

Superintendent: Jane Mulholland

Legal Counsel: Bonnie Terada

Recorder: Judy Smith,

Interpreters: Julie Moore, Don Coates

Guests: Wendy Schlitz, School Counselor  
Kris Ching, Outreach Director  
Carol Carrothers, WSDS (Washington Sensory Disabilities Service)  
Bill Newell, Principal

**Note:** The Board meeting was shortened today in order to accommodate those members who attended graduation last evening.

The meeting was called to order by Nita Kamphuis, chair, at 9:17 a.m. It was determined a quorum was present. Guests were introduced.

Since this meeting was Pat Clothier's last meeting as a member of the Board of Trustees and she was unable to attend she will be invited to the October meeting which will be held in the Bellingham area.

**Minutes – April 13, 2012, meeting**

Change: Pat Clothier made the motion to adjourn the April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting instead of Val Ogden. Char Parsley moved to approve the April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes with the change noted above. Larry Swift seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

## **Budget**

Although our budget was cut \$30,000, the amount is extremely low compared to other agencies throughout the state. With monies saved throughout this last fiscal year CDHL is able to purchase a video bridge which will allow students and teachers to connect throughout the state. This technology will lessen the need for travel and allow direct counseling and other education support to students as well as professional development opportunities for staff across the state. The video bridge can be accessed via a laptop versus the K-20 system currently being used which is only available at the school district level.

With the passage of SHB 2757 new accounts are created for CDHL and WSSB (Washington State School for the Blind) to be used for fees for contracts, out-of-state tuition, donations, and other incomes. These accounts are kept separate from the general operating fund and can be carried over from year to year.

Construction update: Auditorium project resumed yesterday. Hands waving!

## **Guidance Curriculum Review – Early Prevention of Bullying (Wendy Schlitz, School Counselor)**

Wendy presented a proposed guidance curriculum as a part of whole school positive behavior support system. Lessons align with academic content standards and character education principles. This social and emotional learning (SEL) program also supports academic success.

For the first year the counselor would take the lead in the classroom and once the teachers are trained in the new curriculum they will take over. Families can also access the curriculum on the internet.

The “Steps to Respect: A Bullying Prevention Program” was also reviewed. This program includes specific lessons in preventing various types of bullying, staff training in the reporting process and pre/post implementation assessments to measure the success of the program.

Costs to purchase the following programs were reviewed with the Board:

- Second Step Early Learning (Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> grades)
- Second Step (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades)
- Steps to Respect (All grades)

Allie Joiner moved that the Board adopt the proposed Steps to Respect curriculum. Rita Reandeau seconded the motion. Char Parsley amended the motion to include all three curriculums listed above. Rita Reandeau seconded the amendment. It was voted on and approved.

Thanks to Wendy for a great presentation. The Board would like an update in a year on how the new curriculum is working.

## **Policy 2022 (Electronic Resources) – 2<sup>nd</sup> reading**

Larry Swift made a motion to approved policy 2022 (Electronic Resources). Sidney Weldele-Wallace seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

### **Rick Hauan, Director**

- The new proposed Statewide Outreach brochure was distributed along with the Tacoma Public Schools brochure outlining their deaf and hard of hearing programs.
- Effective September 1, 2012, Carol Carrothers will assume the position of Outreach Director for students ages 6 – 21. Kris Ching will serve as Outreach Director for ages birth to 5.
- CDHL has a new toll free number for Outreach – (855) 342-1670. This number will connect directly to Carol Carrothers office and provide a central point for school districts, support staff and parents throughout the state.
- Partnerships with schools districts in Highline, Seattle, and Spokane, are in the development stage.
- Thanks to the Board members for making it possible for CDHL to support students throughout the state.

### **2012/2013 school year**

Board meetings time change: 10:45 a.m. – 4 p.m.; Finance committee will meet prior to each meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Board of Trustees meeting schedule for the 2012/2013 school year is listed below. All meetings will take place on the WSD campus except where noted.

- September 28, 2012
- October 26, 2012 (Bellingham area)
- November 30, 2012
- February 1, 2013 (Olympia area)
- March 1, 2013
- April 19, 2013
- June 7, 2013

Val Ogden made a motion to approve the above dates for the Board of Trustees meetings as well as the new start and ending times for the 2012/2013 school year. Char Parsley seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

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### **Election of new Chair & Vice Chair**

Val Ogden moved to re-elect Nita Kamphuis and Ariele Belo to an additional year as Chair and Vice Chair for the CDHL Board of Trustees. Rita Reandeanu seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

The Board asked the Director to work with legal counsel to change the RCW (Revised Code of Washington) so the Chair and Vice Chair will serve two-year terms.

### **Reminder**

- Board member travel requests must be submitted at least two weeks in advance.

### **Board Finance Committee**

- The committee will provide Board members with written updates.
- Thanks to Val Ogden for volunteering to be on the Board Finance Committee.

### **Post High School Program (PHSP) (Dan Crady, PHSP Coordinator)**

Updates on the recent PHSP graduates:

- One student has been offered a job at Boeing in their food service program which serves over 4,000 people. Thanks to Lorana and her staff for working with this PHSP student in the cafeteria this past year.
- Six PHSP graduates will be going to college next year.

Dan has been traveling around the state visiting various school districts promoting the PHSP. Many juniors are interested in applying once they graduate.

Future plans for the PHSP:

- Expanding the program to 18 students during the upcoming school year
- Set up a Deaf Mentor program

Thanks Dan, it is through your hard work and dedication that the PHSP is such a success.

### **Congratulations WSD students & staff:**

- Brandy Pietsch, Mira Stapleton, and Noah Tufton for their participation in the Math Counts Competition. Also, thanks to Coach Stowe Beecher for accompanying and supporting these students as they traveled to Rochester, NY.
- Deaf Academic Bowl team: Aliasha Rowland, Jonah Winninghoff, Brittany Randant and Trevor Dockter. Coaches John Thuahnai and Dana Miller accompanied the group to Washington, D.C. for the competition. Thanks to all.
- Congratulations to Jonah Winninghoff and Trevor Dockter for being selected to participate in the NAD (National Association of the Deaf) Youth Leadership Camp to be held July 23-August 19 at Camp Taloali in Stayton, Oregon.
- Special Olympics team with Coach Ron Spratlen: Jeremy Descloux, Patrick Saturay, Antonio Guijarro, Cesar Sanchez, Enrique Rodriguez, Cassie Tracy, Ashley Medlock, Maria Preciado and Keysi Severino. Thanks to the many volunteers to supported Special Olympics this past year.

### **WSD Student ASL Assessment Results (April McArthur, ASL Specialist; Krissy Walker, Teacher's Aide reported on new assessment practices**

Students were tested in the fall and again in the spring. Over 10% of the students tested made a significant gain from fall to spring. Improvement was noticed in staying

on topic, eye contact more consistent, and more appropriate role shifting. Several videos of student improvement were shared with the Board.

There are four ASL English Bilingual Professional Development (AEBPD) mentors at WSD: April McArthur, Raye Schaefer, Jenn Christianson and Shauna Bilyeu. All certificated staff participate in the four-year AEBPD (ASL/English Bilingual Professional Development) training.

The Board thanked April for the wonderful presentation!

CDHL is in the process of hiring a Bilingual Coordinator who will split their time between the academic and outreach departments.

### **More News!**

#### **CEASD**

- Congratulations to Jane Mulholland who has been chosen to serve on the CEASD Board for the next three years.
- During the recent CEASD conference the Director and Superintendent shared CDHL's programs on-campus and throughout the state. After the conference the Director received a call from the Superintendent of the Iowa School for the Deaf saying he had heard wonderful things happening in Washington. He invited the Director to come to their school and give a presentation on CDHL programs.

#### **New Assistant Principal**

- Congratulations to Shauna Bilyeu as the new Assistant Principal of the elementary program.

#### **Superintendent's Dinner/Graduation**

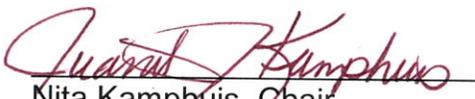
- Val Ogden and her husband enjoyed attending the Superintendent's Dinner. AJ and Char also attended.
- Thanks to the Board members who attended graduation last evening.

#### **Nutrition Services staff**

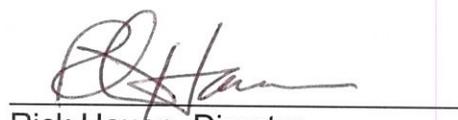
- Thanks to the Nutrition Services staff for the wonderful refreshments and lunch they have provided to the Board throughout the year!

### **Adjournment**

Since there were no objections the meeting was adjourned at 1:32 p.m.

  
Nita Kamphuis, Chair  
CDHL Board of Trustees

11/29/12  
Date

  
Rick Huan, Director  
CDHL

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Date