

**WASHINGTON STATE CENTER FOR
CHILDHOOD DEAFNESS & HEARING LOSS
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Home of Larry Swift
September 11, 2009**

Board Members: Allie Joiner (District #1)
Pat Clothier (District #2)
Gail Pollock (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)

Legal Counsel: Bonnie Terada, Legal Counsel

Superintendent: Rick Hauan

Guests: Jane Mulholland, Superintendent
Kris Rydecki, Director of Outreach
Lorana Myers, Federation

Recorder: Judy Smith

Interpreters: Jason Allen, Sarah Rasmussen, Marc Schmitz

The meeting was called to order by Allie Joiner, Board Chair at 10:17 a.m.
Guests were introduced. It was determined that a quorum was present.

Agenda – September 11, 2009

Larry Swift moved to accept the published agenda, Char Parsley seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

Minutes from June 5, 2009, meeting

Larry Swift moved that the June 5, 2009, minutes be approved as written. Nita Kamphuis seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

Financial Update (Board Finance Committee)

The Board Budget Committee met this morning. The fiscal year ended (June 30, 2009) in the "black". Congratulations to all.

The new Kastel building is on target. The Grand Opening will be held September 25th (1:45 – 3:00 p.m.). Staff and equipment will move in on September 26th and the students will begin using the new building on September 28th.

Ground Source Heat Pump is working! The well will pump approximately 250 gallons per minute (the building only needs 100 gallons per minute). The ground source heat pump will reduce the overall heating costs. The new Kastel building could possibly receive a "L.E.E.D. Gold" rating which demonstrates that environmental friendly materials have been used. It takes approximately 6-8 months after the building has been opened to know if a "L.E.E.D." certification will be awarded.

Parking lot has been paved and striped. The state vehicles will be moved closer to the new building. The new parking lot will add 40 spaces for visitors and staff.

Hats off to WSD's Leadership Team for the outstanding work they have done to ensure that the construction of the Kastel building was a success.

The MessageNet (emergency alert system) will be demonstrated at the December meeting. This system will notify staff and students of emergencies via message boards and computers.

Minor public works monies will be used for sidewalks between the cottages and the installation of new bathrooms in the north end of Clarke Hall. Since it is not an emergency and due to the limited amount of money the replacement of the interior and exterior doors in the cottages will be done at a later date.

An outdoor gathering area for students was discussed. New playground equipment will be purchased and placed near the Student Health Center. The area can be easily supervised and will be a safe place for students. "Savings incentive" dollars could possibly be used for this project.

Reports

- **Rick Hauan, Director**
 - **Center discussion**
 - Organizational venn diagram – This diagram shows that various departments overlap both WSD and the Washington State Center for Childhood Deafness & Hearing Loss (CDHL).
 - Talks have begun with several school districts for office space so when CDHL staff travel they will have a place for meetings, etc.
 - Stakeholder meetings will be held throughout the state over the next 16 months.
 - The first Core meeting will be held October 15th in the Puget Sound area. (agenda was distributed)
 - Board members are to email the Director if they have recommendations for Core group members. Core meetings will typically be held 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. All Core meetings will be published as "special meetings".
 - Thank you notes will be sent to both ODHH (interpreters) and OSPi (stipends and additional expenses).

- Board members were encouraged to attend any or all of the Core group meetings.
- **SRVOP (Shared Reading Video Outreach Program) move**
 - SRVOP has moved to the WSD campus and looks wonderful!
 - Thanks to all involved in the move.
- **New hires**
 - New hires for the 2009/2010 school year were announced.
 - Currently have two vacancies (Lead Custodian 2 and one Educational Interpreter position).
- **DeafNation Expo 2009**
 - DeafNation Expo 2009 will be held on October 17th at the Portland Expo Center. Two tables have been reserved; one for WSD and one for CDHL.
- **Cottage Staffing**
 - WSD applied for a waiver for the 1:7 staffing ratio during the graveyard hours. It was approved for one year as long as two floaters were provided at night. There is now a 1:14 ratio from 12 midnight to 6 a.m. A letter has been sent to DLR (Division of Licensed Resources) requesting that from 10 p.m. – 6 a.m. WSD be allowed a 1:14 ratio with one floater (Dean).
- **Kris Rydecki, Director of Outreach**
 - The Director of Outreach has been in contact with the Board President and Treasurer of the Mildred Johnson Memorial Library. They are looking for a Deaf friendly environment to house their library and have looked at space in Northrop. More details will be shared as they become available. Mildred Johnson was very well known in the Deaf community and a former WSD Board member.
 - The Outreach department is beginning consultations for the 2009/2010 school year. The ASL Specialist will be traveling for a week to eastern Washington to perform ASL assessments for students.

Update from the Chair

- Deaf Education Teacher Training Program at Washington State University/Vancouver (WSU/V).
 - Pat Clothier and Bonnie Terada recently met with Bruce Romanish, Vice Chancellor of WSU/V. The Deaf Education Teacher Training program was initially set up as an online program. Since only two students have signed up for this program it may be discontinued. Unfortunately that means that there will no longer be a Deaf Education Teacher training program in the states of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. Bruce has been invited to the October Board meeting to discuss this topic further.

Information from the Director

- The Director read an email that was recently submitted to Joe Finnegan at CEASD (Council for Educators and Administrators of Schools and Programs for the Deaf). This email dealt with the changes that have been happening in Washington State for deaf and hard of hearing children. A copy of the email will be forwarded to each Board member.
- **Jane Mulholland, Superintendent**
 - **Opening of school year 2009/2010**
 - Registration was held on August 30th and went very smoothly. Approximately 25 parents stopped by the F.L.A.S.H. (Family Life and Sexual Health) curriculum booth. This information will also be available for review during Open House on September 25th.
 - Opening day (August 31st) was a great success. The day ended with an ice cream social for students, parents, and staff.
 - **September 25th activities**
 - September 25th activities flyer was distributed and the various events scheduled during the day were discussed. Board members were encouraged to attend any or all events.
 - **Professional Development Day (August 27th for teaching staff)**
 - Behavioral Support
 - The Superintendent discussed the different types of behavioral supports available to students at all levels of need.
 - AEBPD (ASL English Bilingual Professional Development)
 - The four mentors (Shauna Bilyeu, Raye Schafer, April McArthur, Jenn Christianson) traveled to Gallaudet during the summer to complete their Level 3 and Level 4 training. Both the Superintendent and Principal completed the administrator program this summer as well.
 - Level 1 training for all academic and related services staff has begun and will continue through the 2009/2010 school year. Level 2 training will be held during the 2010/2011 school year with Level 3 and Level 4 training during the 2011/2012 school year.
 - Curriculum maps and data assessment
 - Teachers are working on curriculum maps for each of their classes.
 - The Superintendent handed out the Wednesday morning and Friday afternoon schedule for teaching staff.
 - MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) data will be discussed during the February Board meeting. Fall MAP testing will be held in October 2009. A school-wide assessment framework for 2009-2010 was distributed.

The Chair asked that students attend a future Board meeting to talk about the Wednesday Activity Club (WAC). She also asked that the teaching mentors for AEBPD attend a spring Board meeting to discuss what is happening with the program; the successes and what stumbling blocks they have encountered.

Calendar Discussion

Calendars were reviewed with the following changes:

- November 6, 2009, Board meeting will be held at WSD
- January 11, 2010, Board Budget meeting will be held in the Anacortes area

Allie Joiner moved that the calendar changes noted above be approved. Char Parsley seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

Performance Measures

The year end Performance Measures were reviewed and discussed. The Director and Superintendent are meeting this afternoon with the CDHL's OFM (Office of Financial Management) Fiscal Analyst to discuss measures for the new biennium.

The Board will receive assessment data twice a year (winter and summer). Each Board agenda for this school year will have a standing agenda item focusing on assessment.

Adjournment

Allie Joiner moved that the meeting be adjourned. Rita Reandeau seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved. The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.



Pat Clothier, Chair
CDHL Board of Trustees

11/06/2009

Date



Rick Hauan, Director
CDHL

11/6/09

Date