



LYNDEN

SCHOOL DISTRICT

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September 10, 2020
School Board Meeting
Minutes
via Zoom/Phone Conference
7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order, Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 7:01 P.M. Board Directors in attendance were Steve Jilk, Brian Johnson, CJ Costanti, and David Vis. Board Director, Kelli Kettels was absent and excused. Student Director, Riley Anderson was present.

Jim Frey introduced our new Director of Finance, Christine Blake.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- August 13, 2020
- August 20, 2020

Brian Johnson motioned to approve the meeting minutes seconded by CJ Costanti. Motion carried by voice vote.

3. Consent Agenda

- 2020-21 General Fund \$34,039.96 Warrants 158126 - 158139 dated August 17, 2020
- 2020-21 ASB Fund \$108.64 Warrants 158140 – 158140 dated August 17, 2020
- 2019-20 General Fund \$169,559.88 Warrants 158141 – 158203 dated August 17, 2020
- 2019-20 Capital Projects Fund \$10,370.00 Warrants 158204 – 158204 dated August 17, 2020
- 2019-20 ASB Fund \$20,495.90 Warrants 158205 – 158209 dated August 17, 2020
- 2019-20 ACH General Fund \$1,302.30 Warrants 192000394 – 192000400 dated August 17, 2020
- 2019-20 ACH ASB Fund \$25.98 Warrants 19200401 – 19200401 dated August 17, 2020
- 2020-21 General Fund \$151,772.57 Warrants 158225 – 158241 dated August 31, 2020
- 2020-21 General Fund \$133.18 Warrants 158308 – 158308 dated August 31, 2020
- 2019-20 General Fund \$180,380.10 Warrants 158242 – 158291 dated August 31, 2020
- 2019-20 Capital Projects \$261,252.97 Warrants 158292 – 158303 dated August 31, 2020
- 2019-20 ASB Fund \$106.49 Warrants 158304 – 158307 dated August 31, 2020
- 2019-20 ACH General Fund \$549.64 Warrants 192000402 – 192000404 dated August 31, 2020
- 2019-20 ACH ASB Fund \$21.74 Warrants 192000405 – 192000405
- Payroll Direct Deposits \$1,607,163.26 dated August 31, 2020
- Payroll Taxes Transfers \$528,062.83 dated August 31, 2020
- Payroll Vendor DRS Transfer \$516,193.09 dated August 31, 2020
- Payroll Vendor Warrants \$594,767.23 dated August 31, 2020
- Personnel Action Items 9.10.20

Brian Johnson motioned to approve the consent agenda seconded by CJ Costanti. Motion carried by voice vote.

4. Information from the Audience

None at this meeting.

5. Reports

Superintendent

- **Re-Opening Planning and Start of School Year**

Jim Frey provided preliminary information on a re-opening plan should students be allowed to return to school buildings in a distance learning capacity. Based on Whatcom County Health Department recommendations the district is looking at in-person learning with a slow incremental approach to return for various groups based on needs. Jim shared the positives and challenges in starting the school year with distance learning. Jim and the Board thanked the principals, administrators, building staff and information technology team for all they did to start the school year in a unique way.

- **Sale of Surplus Property – Main Street Campus Ball Fields**

Jim Frey explained the process to surplus the Main Street Campus ball fields for a second time which will include a reappraisal and advertising to the public about the surplus of the real property.

Finance and Operations

6. Board Work Session

- **Finance Committee Recommendation**

Jim Frey and the Finance Committee consisting of Brian Johnson and David Vis, met to review the feasibility of securing a line of credit for maintenance projects, such as roofing, that were included as part of the maintenance and technology levy. Jim and the Planning Committee consisting of CJ Costanti and David Vis, met to review the needs identified by the Supervisor of Maintenance, Kevin Burke. The Board requested it be recorded that the Line of Credit for facility maintenance should be approved with debt up to \$1.5 million dollars.

Brian Johnson motioned to approve to seek Line of Credit with debt up to \$1.5 million dollars seconded by CJ Costanti. Motion carried by voice vote.

- **School Board Meeting Calendar and Committees**

Jim Frey informed the Board that School Board Meeting time has changed to begin at 7:00 P.M. The Board would like to discuss committees at a future meeting.

7. Action Items

- **Interlocal Agreement – Blaine TVI**

The Board reviewed the Agreement with the Blaine School District.

Brian Johnson motioned to approve the Agreement seconded by CJ Costanti. Motion carried by voice vote.

- **State Transitional Bilingual Instructional Program (STBIP) Grant**

David VanderYacht provided a summary of how the grant will be utilized.

Brian Johnson motioned to approve the Grant seconded by CJ Costanti. Motion carried by voice vote.

- **Resolution No. 13-20 – Reduction in Program/Furloughs/Layoffs**

A change of language was requested prior to approval. This will be brought to a future meeting for approval.

8. Policy

9. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

10. Executive Session (30 minutes)

Jim Frey and David VanderYacht updated the Board on current negotiation discussions taking place with SEIU and PSE union members and the recent changes to the LEA Agreement.

11. Open Meeting

Meeting called to order at 8:45 P.M.

After review of the LEA Agreement a motion was made to approve for the 2020-2021 school year.

Brian Johnson motioned to approve the LEA Agreement seconded by CJ Costanti. Motion carried by voice vote.

12. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M

Jim Frey
Superintendent

Steve Jilk
President