



# LYNDEN

## SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Tradition + Pride + Excellence*

March 11, 2021  
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 7:00 P.M. Board Directors in attendance were Steve Jilk, Brian Johnson, Kelli Kettels, CJ Costanti and David Vis. Student Director, Riley Anderson was present.*

### **2. Good News**

- Thank you to our education support professionals during Classified School Employee week of March 8-12, 2021. The staff serving in health services, technology, custodial, grounds, maintenance, paraeducation, transportation, child nutrition, office professionals, and substitutes all play an important role in the educational success of our students.
- Washington State School Retirees are recognized March 15 - 21, 2021 with a Proclamation signed by Governor Inslee. Thank you to the school retirees that continue to remain active in schools.
- The LHS culinary class is taking lemons and making lemonade... or rather taking school lunch and making an inspiring and equitable activity.  
Problem: Given distancing, kitchen space, and the health safety challenges of having students work with food at school, our culinary arts class has needed to push a lot of the "cooking labs" to be done at home.  
Solution: Introduce the "Chef's Challenge;" the newest show on the Food Network. Each chef (student) received a bag of groceries (school lunch distribution bags) and they are challenged to make a culinary sensation with the ingredients in the bag. Re-purpose a hamburger bun to become a crust, or an apple oatmeal bar to become a strudel.  
Mia's recipe is available!
- The following athletes signed to play at the next level: Riley Anderson - Fastpitch at Lewis & Clark College; Faith Baar - Volleyball at Skagit Valley College; Elsie Saldivar - Soccer at Trinity Western University; Christian Bethea - Football at Linfield University; Hailey Saur - Fastpitch at Oklahoma Panhandle State; Anna VanderYacht - Volleyball at Western Washington University; Sara Jones - Swimming at Concordia Irvine; Ian Jacob - Football at Northwestern University. Congratulations!

### **3. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- February 25, 2021

*CJ Costanti motioned to approve the meeting minutes seconded by Kelli Kettels. Motion carried by voice vote.*

#### **4. Consent Agenda**

- 2020-21 General Fund \$169,426.81 Warrants 159460 - 159542 dated February 26, 2021
- 2020-21 Capital Projects \$3,872.58 Warrants 159543 – 159545 dated February 26, 2021
- 2020-21 ASB Fund \$1,918.93 Warrants 159546 – 159550 dated February 26, 2021
- 2020-21 ACH General Fund \$1,026.96 Warrants 202100109 - 202100122 dated February 26, 2021
- 2020-21 ACH ASB Fund \$257.70 Warrants 202100123 - 202100124 dated February 26, 2021
- Personnel Action Items 3.11.21

*CJ Costanti motioned to approve the consent agenda seconded by David Vis. Motion carried by voice vote.*

#### **5. Information from the Audience**

- *Peg Born – Concerned for students not in school full-time battling mental health issues. Would like to return to an in-person Open Public School Board Meeting.*
- *Tonya Hickman – What is the chain of command on making decisions for in-person learning? Are we using statistical data to make decisions?*
- *Caleb Rus – As a student, shared his experiences with distance learning and the difficulties of interacting with others. Would like to be back in class with friends and teachers.*
- *Trisha Card – What is the benchmark and data for getting secondary students back to full-time at least four times a week? Inquired how student success will be measured.*
- *Ladd Vande Hoef – Shared thoughts on next steps to get students back to in-person learning. Concerned for the mental health of kids. Questioned what is keeping kids home, is it insurance and union issues?*

#### **6. Reports**

##### **Superintendent**

- **Reopening Updates**

*Jim Frey provided an update on the reopening discussions and work taking place to meet the needs of kids who need additional time and support. Jim shared plans for opening more in-person learning for secondary students based on data and recommendations provided by the State Health Department. Jim addressed state assessments and how to measure student success and advancement. School Board of Directors, Steve Jilk and Brian Johson spoke of their observations at Lynden High School and Lynden Middle School with keeping students and staff safe, teachers are positive and looking forward to more in-person learning, and the challenges at both schools with scheduling.*

*Tim Metz, Special Programs Director, provided an update on vaccination availability and the process for organizing a vaccination opportunity for our staff as well as private school staff. Tim thanked office staff personnel, Pam Hall and Jamie Noteboom for scheduling individuals for a smooth experience.*

##### **Teaching and Learning**

*None at this meeting.*

##### **Finance**

*None at this meeting.*

#### **7. Board Workshop**

*None at this meeting.*

## 8. Action Items

- **Resolution No. 01-21-2020-2021 – Transfer to Debt Services Fund**

*Christine Blake, Finance Director, explained the need for an updated resolution for the transfers to debt services funds.*

*CJ Costanti motioned to approve Resolution No. 01-21 seconded by Brian Johnson. Motion carried by voice vote.*

- **Resolution No. 02-21-2020-2021 – Redirection of Apportionment**

*Christine Blake, Finance Director, explained the need for an updated resolution for the redirection of apportionment.*

*CJ Costanti motioned to approve Resolution No. 02-21 seconded by Brian Johnson. Motion carried by voice vote.*

- **School District Calendar 2021-2022**

*Jim Frey shared the Lynden Educators Association (LEA) preferred 2021-2022 school year calendar for Board consideration and approval.*

*Brian Johnson motioned to approve the 2021-2022 School Year Calendar seconded by Kelli Kettels. Motion carried by voice vote.*

- **Interlocal Agreement – Whatcom Detention Center**

*The Board reviewed the Interlocal Agreement with Whatcom Detention Center that provides educational services to young people who are in detention.*

*CJ Costanti motioned to approve the Interlocal Agreement seconded by Kelli Kettels. Motion carried by voice vote.*

## 9. Policy

- **First Reading**

*Policy #4050 – Data Sharing with Local Tribes*

*David Vis motioned to approve Policy #4050 seconded by CJ Costanti. Motion carried by voice vote.*

*Policy #6220 – Bid or Request for Proposal Requirements*

*CJ Costanti motioned to approve Policy #6220 seconded by Kelli Kettels. Motion carried by voice vote.*

*Policy #6230 – Relationships with Vendors*

*David Vis motioned to approve Policy #6230 seconded by CJ Costanti. Motion carried by voice vote.*

## 10. Adjourn Meeting

*Meeting adjourned at 8:43 P.M.*

## 11. Executive Session

*None at this meeting.*

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**Jim Frey**  
**Superintendent**

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**Steve Jilk**  
**President**

LYNDEN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 Lynden, WA  
 Personnel Recommendations  
 March 11, 2021

**New Hire, Certificated Personnel**

| Name                 | Location | Position | FTE | Effective      | Comments             |
|----------------------|----------|----------|-----|----------------|----------------------|
| Tomaszewski, Corinne | Isom     | Teacher  | 1.0 | 3.15 – 6.16.21 | Added staffing COVID |
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**Change in Assignment, Certificated Personnel**

| Name               | Location | Position | FTE | Effective      | Comments   |
|--------------------|----------|----------|-----|----------------|--|
| Ohligschlager, Amy | LMS      | Teacher  | 1.0 | 3.17 – 6.16.21 | Added .30 FTE for remainder of the year only, non continuing |
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**New Hire, Classified Personnel**

| Name                | Location | Position  | Hrs. | Effective | Comments          |
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| Lopez Villa, Evelia | LMS      | Noon Supv | 1.5  | 2.16.21   | Replaces Verovaya |
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**Leave of Absence, Certificated Personnel**

| Name           | Location | Position | FTE | Effective      | Comments        |
|----------------|----------|----------|-----|----------------|-----------------|
| Welch, Jennica | LMS      | Teacher  | 1.0 | 3.15 – 6.16.21 | Maternity Leave |

**Leave of Absence, Classified Personnel**

| Name               | Location   | Position | Hrs. | Effective      | Comments     |
|--------------------|------------|----------|------|----------------|--------------|
| Iaconetti, Barbara | Pre School | Para     | 4.7  | 5.18 – 6.11.21 | Unpaid Leave |
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**Resignations/Retirements/Terminations, Certificated Personnel**

| Name | Location | Position | FTE | Effective | Comments |
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**Resignations/Retirement/Terminations/Classified Personnel**

| Name            | Location | Position | Hrs. | Effective | Comments    |
|-----------------|----------|----------|------|-----------|-------------|
| Boyle, Catalina | LMS      | Para Ed  | 6.0  | 2.26.21   | Resignation |
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**Supplemental Assignments**

| Name | Location | Position | Effective | Comments |
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**Supplemental Resignations**

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Employment with the district is subject to acceptable outcome of a criminal history records check and the requirements of RCW 28A.400)