



LYNDEN

SCHOOL DISTRICT

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June 17, 2021

School Board Meeting

Minutes

In-Person 516 Main Street and
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.

2. Good News

- The Ferndale/Lynden Masonic Lodge is here to present Bernice Vossbeck Teacher, Anne Marie Peach with Educator of the Year Award. Anne Marie will receive \$1,000 to use in her classroom and her name will be added to the Educator of the Year plaque. Congratulations!
- Lynden High School student, Mia Ward, was accepted to the 2020-2021 All-Northwest Choir, based on her video audition.
- The San Juan Music Educators Honors Festival was held virtually and included LHS students, Zeke Falcone, Nehemiah Jones, Gabriella Rodriguez, Sydney Thorgeirson and Mia Ward. Mia's Soprano Vocal Solo was given a Superior Rating. Congratulations to you all!
- Lynden High School student, Sydney Thorgeirson was awarded the Troubadour Award! This is choir's top honor and is given to a choir member to whom choir and singing are a top priority in their secondary education. The recipient of this award shows how a person can be enriched through the dedicated pursuit of music. Congratulations!

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- May 27, 2021

Brian Johnson motioned to approve the meeting minutes seconded by David Vis. Motion carried by voice vote.

3. Consent Agenda

- 2020-21 General Fund \$206,455.45 Warrants 160881 - 160971 dated May 28, 2021
- 2020-21 ASB Fund \$7,187.68 Warrants 160972 – 160985 dated May 28, 2021
- 2020-21 ACH General Fund \$2,688.41 Warrants 202100203 - 202100221 dated May 28, 2021
- 2020-21 ACH ASB Fund \$742.72 Warrants 202100222 - 202100227 dated May 28, 2021
- 2020-21 Payroll Direct Deposits \$1,714,456. Dates May 28, 2021
- 2020-21 Payroll Taxes Transfers \$554,015.33 dated May 28, 2021
- 2020-21 Payroll Vendor DRS Transfer \$543,360.33 dated May 28, 2021
- 2020-21 Payroll Vendor Warrants 160066 – 160080 dated May 28, 2021
- Personnel Action Items 6.17.21
- Donations 6.17.21
- Overnight Trip Requests

Brian Johnson motioned to approve the consent agenda seconded by Kelli Kettels. Motion carried by voice vote.

4. Information from the Audience

None at this meeting.

Board President, Steve Jilk, read the Board Procedures #1400P, addressing public comment of Meeting Conduct, Order of Business, and Quorum.

5. Reports

Superintendent

None at this meeting

Teaching and Learning

- **Instructional Materials Committee Recommendations**

Elizabeth Hamming, Director of Teaching and Learning, provided the Board with the list of recommended curriculum for the 2021-2022 school year which includes core instructional materials requests from staff; health curriculum for grades 6-12; and library book lists.

Jim Frey shared his appreciation of Elizabeth's dedication to the Lynden School District for the years that she has served students and staff and wished her well in her future.

Finance.

None at this meeting

6. Board Workshop

- **School Improvement Plan (SIP) Reports - Elementary**

Elementary principals, Tim Doering, Courtney Ross, and Michelle Nilsen provided their plans to provide support to students by reducing the achievement gap by using data; assessing health and safety standards, and what their needs are from the district to help accomplish their goals. They spoke of the elementary 5th graders visiting the middle school and meeting with teachers to transition in the next school year, and the welcoming of kindergarten students and families, and using the Character Strong social emotional learning for all elementary students.

The Board thanked and appreciated the elementary principals on the execution of how they managed the 2020-2021 school year with caring for both the children and staff.

Jim Frey thanked Courtney for her service as Fisher Elementary School and the Board wished her well in her future endeavors.

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

- **Alternative Learning Education (ALE) Report**

Jim Frey explained what needs to be board approved for the ALE report that includes ALE student headcount and equivalent enrollment claimed for basic education funding; identification of the overall ration of certificated instructional staff; a list of ALE program course providers and a description of how the program supports the district's overall goals for academic achievement; and results of any self-evaluations.

7. Action Items

- **Ludden Scholarship Binding Agreement**

The Board approves, and the Superintendent is authorized and directed to sign, the Binding Agreement presented by the surviving Co-Trustees of the Clarence and Cornelia Ludden

Scholarship, which Agreement provides for the succession of JoAnn Roorda to the Co-Trustee vacancy created by the passing of Terry DeValois.

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

- **Instructional Material Approval**

The Board reviewed the instructional material for approval.

Brian Johnson motioned to approve the Instructional Material seconded by Kelli Kettels. Motion carried by voice vote.

- **Alternative Learning Education (ALE) Report**

The Board reviewed the ALE report for approval.

Brian Johnson motioned to approve the ALE Report seconded by Kelli Kettels. Motion carried by voice vote.

- **New Superintendent Resolutions**

The Board reviewed the following Resolutions for approval.

Resolution No. 10-21 – Appointment of District Claims Agent

Resolution No. 11-21 – Authorization of Facsimile Signature

Resolution No. 12-21 – Authorization of Warrant Signature

Resolution No. 13-21 – Authorization to Invest Funds

Resolution No. 14-21 – Designation of District Agent

Resolution No. 15-21 – Designation of Auditing Officers

Resolution No. 16-21 – Signatures of District Personnel Authorized to Sign School Construction Project Documents

Brian Johnson motioned to approve the New Superintendent Resolutions seconded by David Vis. Motion carried by voice vote.

8. Policy

None at this meeting

9. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 P.M.

10. Executive Session (30 minutes)

The Board discussed negotiation updates and schedules.

11. Adjourn Executive Session

Executive Session adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Jim Frey
Superintendent

Steve Jilk
President

LYNDEN SCHOOL DISTRICT
Lynden, WA
Personnel Recommendations
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New Hire, Certificated Personnel

Name	Location	Position	FTE	Effective	Comments
Stromme, Michael	District	Interim Superintendent	1.0	7.1.21 – 6.30.22	Replaces Frey
Van Wijk, Julie	District	Director of Teaching and Learning	1.0	7.1.21	Replaces Hamming
Luong, Meigan	LMS	Special Ed Teacher (ELRC)	1.0	8.30.21	Replaces Stevenson
Schumacher, Sasha	LMS	Band Teacher	1.0	8.30.21	Replaces Norman
Jessee, Mandy	FES	Principal	1.0	7.01.21	Replaces Ross

Change in Assignment, Certificated Personnel

Name	Location	Position	FTE	Effective	Comments

New Hire, Classified Personnel

Name	Location	Position	Hrs.	Effective	Comments
Duncan, Dawn	Maint	Office Personnel 2	6.0	5.25.21	Replaces Hofford
South, Julia	LHS	Para Educator 1	6.0	21.22 SY	Replaces Gibb
Cheema, Parveen	Isom	Para Educator 3	6.0	21.22 SY	Replaces Charlton
Salcedo, Rogelio	BVE	Para Educator 2	6.0	21.22 SY	Replaces Garcia-Slagle
VanMersbergen, Kymberley	BVE	Computer Tech	7.0	21.22 SY	Replaces Perez

Change in Assignment, Classified Personnel

Name	Location	Position	Hrs.	Effective	Comments
Kooiman, Kristin	LHS	Office Personnel 2	8.0	21.22 SY	Replaces Kuplent
Versteeg, Cindy	BVE	Para Educator 1	6.0	21.22 SY	.50 hours per day increase

Leave of Absence, Certificated Personnel

Name	Location	Position	FTE	Effective	Comments
Jones, Charity	Fisher	3 rd Grade Teacher	1.0	8.30 – 12.17.21	Unpaid leave of absence

Leave of Absence, Classified Personnel

Name	Location	Position	Hrs.	Effective	Comments
Gibb, Stephen	LHS	Para Ed	6.0	5.17 – 6.16.21	Sick leave to 6.16.21, then Retirement

Resignations/Retirements/Terminations, Certificated Personnel

Name	Location	Position	FTE	Effective	Comments
Ross, Courtney	Fisher	Principal	1.0	6.30.21	Resignation
Vandenberg, Scott	Lynden Academy	Teacher	.60	6.16.21	Resignation
Whitener, Deborah	BVE	K Teacher	1.0	6.16.21	Retirement
Gillig, Jodel	Isom	2 nd Grade Teacher	1.0	6.16.21	Resignation

Resignations/Retirement/Terminations/Classified Personnel

Name	Location	Position	Hrs.	Effective	Comments
Harris, Debra	LHS	Intervention	3.5	6.16.21	Program Elimination
Roddy, Jodee	Fisher	Para Ed	6.0	6.16.21	Resignation
Horat, Joan	Transp	Bus Driver	3.0	6.16.21	Retirement
Watson, Sylvia	LHS	Para Ed	6.0	6.16.21	Retirement
Postma, Jessica	Isom	Para Ed	6.0	6.7.21	On leave, now resigning

Supplemental Assignments

Name	Location	Position	Effective	Comments
DeJong, Houston	LMS	7 th Grade Asst Football	5.17.21	Leave replacement for Wittenberg
Kleindel, Mason	LMS	Head Coach 7 th Grade Fastpitch	5.17.21	Replaces Anderson
Paoli, Megan	LMS	Head Coach 8 th Grade Fastpitch	5.17.21	Replaces Kleindel
Gallegos, Elena	LHS	Asst Girls Wrestling	5.10.21	Replaces Herrera
Adams, Alicia	LHS	Girls Basketball	5.10.21	
Dickson, Jennifer	LHS	Girls Basketball	5.10.21	
Newcomb, Timothy	LHS	Athletic Assistant Boys Tennis	5.10.21	

Supplemental Resignations

Name	Location	Position	Effective	Comments
Herrera, Gabriela	LHS	Asst Coach Wrestling	5.27.21	Resignation

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