

CHEHALIS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Meeting Minutes

September 20, 2022

1. Call to Order - Regular Session

Via Hybrid format, President Vander Stoep opened the Work Session at 6:00 p.m. on Security and Safety. Work Session closed at 6:30 p.m. President Vander Stoep opened the Regular Meeting at 6:32 p.m. and asked Mr. Petersen to lead the flag salute. President Vander Stoep welcomed guests and visitors and asked if there were any public comments. Public comment centered on funding and discipline on buses and in the schools.

Meeting Attendees:

Board Members

J. Vander Stoep, President
Colleen State, Vice President
Alan Browning, Board Member
Kelsi Hamilton, Board Member
Larry Petersen, Board Member

Staff, Students, Public

Dr. Christine Moloney, Superintendent
Trisha Smith, Assistant Superintendent
Heather C. Pinkerton, Director of Business & Operations
Debby Gregory, Director of Human Resources
Rick Goble, Director of Student Achievement
Katie Howell, Director of Special Education
Gayle Meister, Admin Assistant/Recording Secretary
Daniel Bryant, Technology Coordinator
Todd Thornburg, Security and Safety Officer
Troy Thornburg, Security and Safety Officer
Brenda Pohlman, Principal, Lintott Elementary School
Rachel Dorsey, Principal, Orin Smith Elementary
Jonathan Fox, Assistant Principal, Orin Smith Elementary
Heidi Fagerness, Assistant Principal, Chehalis Middle School
Tim Touhey, Principal, Green Hill Academic School/Lewis County Alternative School
Alicia Spencer, Chehalis
Lynn Wakefield, Zoom
Rachel Sawyer, Zoom
Brian Mittge, Zoom
Melissa Chan, Zoom
Kelli Wolden, Zoom
Merisa Wilson, Zoom
Cathie Painter, Zoom

2. Approve Minutes

Mr. Petersen motioned, Mr. Browning seconded, to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2022 Special School Board Meeting. *Motion Passed 5-0.*

3. Reports

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Moloney reported on School Start and Administrator Professional Development, District Day, Staff Professional Development and Welcoming Back Students. She also reported on an overview of negotiation agreements for Chehalis Education Association (CEA), Public School Employees (PSE), District Unrepresented Group, and the Teamsters. She concluded her report on Student Achievement Initiative (SAI) highlights including college visits, College Board National Recognition Program winners for the following students; Abigail Freeman, Alyssa Mueller, Aspen Goble, Bryn Taylor, Ella Chaput, Ella Young, Gavin Jensen, Jenna Smith, Justin Chung, Lia Hornby and Samuel Mittge.

Budget Status Report

Mrs. Pinkerton, Director of Business and Operations, reported on the Budget Status Report as of August 31, 2022, for the General Fund, Capital Projects Fund, Debt Service Fund, Associated Student Body Fund and the Transportation Vehicle Fund. Items of interest included 21-22 Budget Status and 21-22 Financial Statements.

4. Approve Consent Agenda

Mrs. Hamilton motioned, Mr. Petersen seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. *Motion Passed 5-0.*

a. Warrants

- Resolution No. 22-23-001, Warrant Cancel
- PR Warrants - \$11,820.00
- Electronic Deposits - \$1,721,438.12
- PR Taxes - \$612,600.34
- PR Retirement - \$554,570.96
- PR Child Support - \$3,469.20
- PR/AP Checks - \$672,855.27
- PR/AP ACH - \$400.00
- General: 48132487, \$84,752.59; 48132509-48132514, \$15,655.46;
- 48132515-48132560; \$142,463.81; 48132561, \$71.72; 48132562-48132623, \$258,077.90; 48132624-48132658, \$807,990.89
- APACH Direct Deposit: 212200441-212200481, \$9,450.07; 212200482-212200484, \$544.95
- ASB: 48404564, \$9,631.73; 48404565, \$20,989.18; 48404566, \$850.00; 48404567-48404574, \$5,676.91
- Capital Projects: 48200650, \$41,007.80; 48200651, \$68,127.24; 48200652, \$7,566.94; 48200653-48200654, \$21,942.96; 48200655-48200657; \$15,832.91
- Private Purpose Trust: 48700357-48700358, \$1,000.00; 48700351-48700356, \$10,500.00

b. Student/Staff Travel

- Out-of-state, overnight travel for two W.F. West High School forensics students, and Janelle Williams, Forensics Coach, to Yale University National tournament, September 30 through October 2, 2022. Cost paid from Forensics.

c. Personnel Items

- Classified and certificated personnel as listed.

5. Board Discussion

No comments were made by the board at this time.

6. New Business

a. Board Policies - First Reading

Mr. Petersen motioned, Mr. Browning seconded, to approve the first reading of the following policies: *Motion Passed 5-0.*

- BP 3207 - Students, Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying, Revision
- BP 4040 - Community Relations, Public Access to District Records, Revision
- BP 5005 - Personnel, Employment and Volunteers: Disclosures, Certification Requirements, Assurances and Approval, Revision
- BP 6114 - Management Support, Gifts or Donations, Revision

b. Board Policies - Second Reading/Adoption

Mrs. Hamilton motioned, Mr. Browning seconded, to approve the second reading/adoption of the following board policies: *Motion Passed 5-0.*

- BP 1410 - Board of Directors, Executive or Closed Sessions, Revision
- BP 1420 - Board of Directors, Proposed Agenda and Consent Agenda, Revision
- BP 1450 - Board of Directors, Absence of a Board Member, Revision
- BP 3205 - Students, Sexual Harassment of Students Prohibited, New
- BP 3245 - Students, Students and Telecommunication Devices, New
- BP 6225 - Management Support, Use of Electronic Signature, New

c. Ratification of 2022-2025 Collective Bargaining Agreement

Mrs. State motioned, Mr. Petersen seconded, to approve the ratification of the 2022-2025 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Chehalis Education Association and the Chehalis School District for the period of September 1, 2022, through August 31, 2025. *Motion Passed 4-1.* Mrs. Hamilton read a statement for her vote against ratification. Statement is attached.

d. Ratification of 2022-2025 District Unrepresented Group

Mr. Petersen motioned, Mrs. Hamilton seconded, to approve the ratification of the 2022-2025 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the District Unrepresented Group and the Chehalis School District for the period of September 1, 2022, through August 31, 2025. *Motion Passed 5-0.*

e. Ratification of 2022-2026 Collective Bargaining Agreement

Mrs. Hamilton motioned, Mr. Browning seconded, to approve the ratification of the 2022-2026 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Public School Employees (PSE) and the Chehalis School District for the period of September 1, 2022, through August 31, 2026. *Motion Passed 5-0.*

f. Donation(s)

Mrs. State motioned, Mr. Petersen seconded, to approve Donations as presented. *Motion Passed 5-0.*

i. Chehalis Middle School

- \$7,539.92 from Chehalis Activators for ASB Track Fund
- \$5,500.00 from Chehalis Activators for ASB Football for helmets

7. Board of Directors Reports

- WIAA - Mr. Browning reported that football championships could find a home at Husky Stadium but is probably a couple of years out from that happening.
- WSSDA Legislative - Mrs. Hamilton reported that the general session was scheduled for September 30 - October 1, 2022. The filing window has closed for credentials and the Region Five Legislative person is now up to the voters.

8. Announcements

Sep 21	International Day of Peace
Sep 22	First Day of Autumn
Oct 5	International Walk to School Day
Oct 1-31	National Bullying Prevention Month
Oct 1-31	National Principals Month
Oct 9-15	Fire Prevention Week
Oct 18	Regular School Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

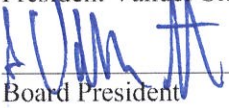
9. Board Comments/Discussion

Mrs. Hamilton commented that the first PTO meeting went well and was well attended after the restructuring. She also commented on the Watch Dogs Program and suggested them as a guest speaker to a future board meeting.


Mr. Browning commented on the Thornburg team, what a phenomenal job they are doing for the district and students and it is apparant that both brothers share a good rapport with the kids. Mrs. State shared that we as a district are lucky to have them with us.

10. Adjournment

President Vander Stoep adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.



Board President



Board Secretary

I wrote out what I wanted to say in regards to my vote on this contract. It want my words to be accurately captured both by those listening now but also in the meeting minutes.

I could agree to the majority of items in this contract but that isn't how this vote works- it is yes or no on the contract as a whole. I appreciate and support our CEA members and acknowledge their hard work and dedication to their profession and our students.

My concerns with this contract are that we have made significant changes to the schedule times our families have been used to in the last few years when we moved to staggered starts. We did this out of necessity and because there were no other options. I appreciate that we had the option to use ESSER funds to create a program (Math Mindset) to assist families that this change posed, and continues to pose, a hardship for.

In my opinion with this contract, we are again making another significant change. This time it is by choice. The contract would require a 90 minute delayed start on Wednesdays beginning next school year. This would mean our Lintott students would not begin their school day until 10:30 AM once a week. These are our youngest students that should not be home alone and kids that thrive on routine. This is very difficult for working families and employers to manage and potentially even a challenge for the students.

I want to be clear that I support and see the value of collaboration time. I would vote yes on this contract if it read 90 minutes each week at a day/time that is determined to be best for all stakeholders. I appreciate that this doesn't begin until next year and does provide time to try and figure out a plan. I don't believe this significant adjustment in schedule should be set in stone until we are confident this is a workable option for all of the individuals our school district touches. Even if the district is able to create programs to support families with this change- it will come at a cost that may otherwise have been unnecessary and our ESSER dollars will likely not be an option.

As a Director that committed to being a voice for parents and families, I will be voting no on this contract because of the prescriptive time already set with no feedback or consideration from one of the largest groups we serve- our students and families. My no vote will be for this reason and this reason alone.

