

# BLAINE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Meeting  
August 24, 2009

## MINUTES

### I. Call to Order and Flag Salute

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Todd Berge. All Directors were in attendance. President Berge led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### II. Recognition of Visitors and Placement on the Agenda

There was no one in attendance that asked to be recognized by the Board.

### III. Good News

#### A. Summer Maintenance Team

The Good News for the evening began with recognition of the Summer 2009 Maintenance, Custodial and Grounds Team. They have completed an extraordinary amount of work in a limited amount of time this year. Projects included removing the contents of 17 classrooms and the middle school library so new carpet could be installed and then replacing everything. We've had many favorable comments on how the campus grounds have been manicured with the removal of weeds and trimming of shrubs. Many buildings have fresh paint inside and out along with new stripes in the parking lots. Thank you for a job well done!

#### B. Molly Mitchell-Mumma

The Directors gave an official welcome to Molly Mitchell-Mumma, who was recently named as Assistant Principal of Blaine Middle School.

### IV. Consent Agenda

Motion by Dodd, second by McClusky, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

#### A. Minutes of July 27 meeting and August 18 work session

#### B. Financial Matters

1. General Fund	8/14/09	96583-96643	\$ 96,807.88
2. ASB Fund	7/31/09	7337-7339	\$ 455.00
3. Payroll	7/31/09	96485-96528	\$ 1,415,729.18

#### C. Personnel

1. Corinne Turner-Hired as 1.0 SLP LR (Rooney/Mihelich)
2. Kristen Cornish-Resigned from MS Track
3. Gabrielle Allman-Req for UPL 9/28-10/7
4. Sarah Grant-Resigned from .80 5th Grade Job Share
5. Amanda Potter-Rescinded Job Offer as ES/MS Sped Teacher
6. Steve Miller-Hired as Athletic Coord
7. Molly Mitchell-Mumma-Hired as MS Asst Principal (Smith)

#### D. Correction to minutes of June 22, 2009: Action Item D SEIU Contract Approval

~~Motion passed 5-0.~~ **Motion passed 4-0, with Berge abstaining.**

#### E. NWESD189 Strategic Planning Contract Approval

### V. Public Comments/Hearings of Individuals or Groups

### VI. Budget Report

#### A. Enrollment and Enrollment Projection Trend Report

Business Manager Donna D'Angelo reviewed 2005-2010 enrollment trends, which illustrate the continued decline in student numbers.

#### B. July 2009 Revenue & Expenditure Update

She also provided the expenditure updates through the month of July. It was emphasized that we are on track with projections.

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**C. Fund Balance Trend Overview**

The Business Manager shared an overview of our revenues and expenditures as we close one fiscal year and begin another emphasizing that the projected ending fund balance for 2009-10 is at the Board prescribed lower-limit of 5%.

**VII. Program Reports and Presentations**

**A. 2009 WASL & AYP Overview**

Deb Cummings, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, shared a report on the 2009 WASL and AYP results. The tests cover Reading, Math, Writing and Science with many growth trends shown across the system. Math scores at grades 7 and 10 will be a specific focus in planning for 2009-2010. Official scores are expected in November.

**B. Review of 2009-2010 Program Goals**

Superintendent Spanjer reviewed updates to the 2009-10 "Board/Superintendent Goals" document. Final Board approval is scheduled for the September 28 Board meeting.

**C. Collective Bargaining Communication Plan: Moved to Executive Session agenda**

**D. Superintendent's Report**

As we begin a new school year, Superintendent Spanjer shared a list of the start-of-school events with the Directors. He noted that the district website has been updated to include the latest information on H1N1 virus as it is received from the Whatcom County Health Department along with forms for Free and Reduced Lunch and Participation fee forms.

**VIII. Action Items**

**A. Policy 1114 and Policy 3142 and Procedure 3142**

Motion by Dodd, second by Holmes, to approve policies as submitted for Second Reading and Adoption. Motion passed 5-0.

**B. Fuel Bid Approval**

Motion by McClusky, second by Dodd, to accept recommendation for Fuel Bid from Associated Petroleum. Motion was passed 5-0.

**IX. Executive Session**

At 8:05 the Directors moved into executive session for 30 minutes for the purpose of discussing the position of the District in collective bargaining. At 8:30 PM it was announced that the executive session would be extended by 30 minutes. At 9:00 PM it was announced that the executive session would be extended for an additional 20 minutes.

**X. Reconvene and Adjourn**

At 9:20 PM, the Directors reconvened in regular session.

Motion to adjourn by McClusky, second by Holmes.

**In Attendance:**

Todd Berge	President
Charles Gibson	Vice President
Mike Dodd	Director
Campbell McClusky	Director
Susan Holmes	Director
Ron Spanjer	Secretary/Clerk
Patt Van Wanseele	Recording Secretary

**Also in Attendance:**

Deb Cummings	Molly Mitchell-Mumma	Donna D'Angelo
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BOARD PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY/CLERK