

Shaw Island School District Board of Directors Special Meeting

Thursday, April 3, 2025

2:30 PM

The open public meeting was held at Shaw Island School, Shaw Island, Washington.

Directors Present: Carol Criss, Jon Shannon, and John Bogert, Shirley Lange and Shannon Klohr.

Administration Present: Superintendent Kari Beck Bell (via Zoom online meeting platform) and Office Administrator Deanna Shannon.

Audience: Jennifer Swanson, Amber Borner, and Willy Borner were present in person. John Bingham, Teacher Housing Project Manager (via Zoom online meeting platform) and Shawn Kemna from PBW Architects (via Zoom online meeting platform).

Minutes

1. Opening Items:

1.1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:30 PM by Chair Carol Criss.

1.2. Approval of Agenda: ***Director Shannon moved to approve the agenda; Director Lange seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.***

2. Special Topics:

2.1. Discussion of Teacher Housing Project Bids, Costs, and Funding:

Bids came in higher than expected. Prevailing wage had affected the cost of the bids. John Bingham and Philip Burkhardt (PBW Architects) had been looking at the bidders, especially the lowest bidder. Deanna Shannon had vetted the bidders through Washington State Labor and Industry to confirm bidders met the state bidding requirements. The law required the District to choose the lowest responsible bid. The District needed to look at the qualifications of the bidder and compare the bids. The shortfall in funding also needed to be looked at.

Currently the District had \$908,000 available, including pledges to be collected. Superintendent Bell was gathering more information about bank loans and the sale of bonds. Director Shannon estimated the completion of the well and septic system could cost \$100,000 depending on the treatment system the county finally approved. The finance committee would continue to pursue avenues of fundraising. Alternatives to the plans and rejecting the bids was discussed.

Consensus was to ask the three bidders for an extension of 60 days so that the bids and funding could be further investigated.

3. Adjournment: ***Director Shannon moved to adjourn the meeting; Director Lange seconded the motion; the meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 3:45 PM.***

Carol Criss, Chair
Board

Dr. Becky Bell, Superintendent/Secretary to the

John Bogert, Director

Shannon Klohr, Director

Shirley Lange, Director

Jon Shannon, Director