

## Shaw Island School District Board of Directors Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 16, 2023

The open public meeting was held at Shaw Island Elementary School, 44 Hoffman Cove Road, Shaw Island, Washington.

Directors Present: Carol Criss, Shannon Klohr, Shirley Lange, and Jon Shannon. Director John Bogert was present via Zoom online platform.

Administration Present: Superintendent Kari McVeigh and Office Administrator Deanna Shannon.

Audience: Community member Ghim-Sim Chua (Mr. Chua left after the superintendent's report). Lower grade teacher Diane Clifton. Upper grade teacher Abigail Ellingson (Ms. Ellingson left after Teacher Appreciation). Upper grade students Clara Borner, Maren Ellingson, Jasper Mahn, Ayla Weese-Burkhardt, and Nolen Wilson, (students left after Teacher Appreciation). Family members Andrea Ellingson, Julie Wilson, and Thatcher Wilson (family members left after Teacher Appreciation).

### Minutes

1. Opening Items:
  - 1.1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 3:11 PM by Chair Carol Criss.
  - 1.2. Changes or Additions to the Agenda: Items 2 and 3 were swapped so that Student Presentation could be before Hearing of Individuals or Groups on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items.
  - 1.3. Approval of Agenda: **Director Shannon moved to approve the agenda as changed; Director Lange seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.**
2. Curriculum and Instruction:
  - 2.1. Upper Grade Presentation: Upper grade students Clara Borner, Maren Ellingson, Jasper Mahn, Ayla Weese-Burkhardt, and Nolan Wilson gave a presentation on the field trips that students had taken to Canoe Island for team building, Waldron Island for Apple Day, and San Juan Island to visit the San Juan County Courthouse and Sheriff's Office. They told the board that all students would also be participating in an art workshop at Tower Art Studio on Guemes Island the following weekend. They reminding the board about next year's trip to Washington, DC, and thanked the board for their continued support of student field trips.
  - 2.2. Superintendent McVeigh presented each teacher with a gift of appreciation from board directors and support staff and thanked them for their hard work and dedication.
3. Hearing of Individuals or Groups on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items: Ghim-Sim Chua spoke about the need for workforce housing on Shaw Island and the possibility of working with the district and the Teacher Housing Finance Committee if the Shaw Island community began to develop a plan for workforce housing.
4. Superintendent:
  - 4.1. Superintendent McVeigh reported on the following:
    - Ms. McVeigh stated that she would be happy to share resources and information on housing with Mr. Chua.
    - OSPI (Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction) was establishing a transition to kindergarten program for districts where no viable early childhood education was available. The program would be for children reaching age 4 by the end of August. The district would be purchasing the appropriate assessment materials. The program was not considered Basic

Education, but it would be funded through the OSPI funding model. A board policy would need to be approved.

- Legislation passed in the 2023 legislative session would require the audio recording of school board meetings, effective June 30, 2024, with a requirement that those recordings be maintained for one year. Current state records retention rules already require that any such recordings be maintained for six years and then transferred to the Washington State Archives.
- As part of the work on the Teacher Housing Finance Committed, Ms. McVeigh had contacted Pacifica Law Group, a firm recommended by NWESD 189 Superintendent Larry Francois. She was connected with Faith Pettis, whose background included affordable housing and school finance.

5. Business and Operations:

5.1. Consent Agenda: Items under the Consent Agenda are considered by the board to be routine and subject to one motion and vote. **Director Shannon moved to approve the following items on the consent agenda; Director Lange seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously:**

- Minutes from previous meeting (April 18, 2023 Regular Meeting).
- Claims and Payroll:

The following vouchers as audited and certified by the auditing officer, as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified, as required by RCW 42.24.090, are approved for payment. In addition, payroll warrants in the amount of \$26,098.15 are also approved.

General Fund 6361:

Warrant numbers 265554 through 265564

Totaling \$4,062.86

Warrant number 90413232 (ACH payment to State DOR)

Totaling \$95.67

Warrant number 266379

Totaling \$25.00

Capital Fund 6367:

Warrant numbers 265552 through 265553

Totaling \$1,999.99

Payroll (April):

Warrant numbers 98552 through 98558

Totaling \$26,098.15

- April 2023 budget status report.
- Approval of 2023-24 Counseling Plan
- State Auditor's Office Audit Assessment Report
- Approval of Overnight Field Trip for Upper Grade Students to Eastern Washington.

5.2. 2023-24 Preliminary Budget Discussion: Superintendent McVeigh stated that OSPI had not yet released the necessary budget documents. She and Deanna would be spending a day working on the budget in early June.

6. School Board:

6.1. Approval of Board Policy 1400: Superintendent McVeigh recommended approval of the revisions to Policy 1400 Meeting Conduct Order of Business and Quorum. The revised WSSDA (Washington State School Directors' Association) model policy was reviewed. **Director Shannon moved to approve revised Board Policy 1400; Director Lange seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.**

6.2. School Board Director's Reports: Director Criss stated that invitations to the Shaw Island School Community Meeting and Open House had gone out. The event would consist of student presentations, a few comments from each of the committee members highlighting their support of teacher housing, the PowerPoint presentation previewed at the previous board meeting, and a request for anchor donors.

7. Adjournment: ***The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.***

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Carol Criss, Chair

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Kari McVeigh  
Superintendent/Secretary to the Board

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John Bogert, Director

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Shirley Lange, Director

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Shannon Klohr, Director

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Jon Shannon, Director