

## Shaw Island School District Board of Directors Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

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

Directors Present: Shirley Lange, Jon Shannon, John Bogert, and Shannon Klohr. Director Carol Criss was not present.

Administration Present: Superintendent Becky Bell and Office Administrator Deanna Shannon.

Guests: Teacher Diane Clifton and students Thatcher Wilson and Angus Jones (Thatcher and Angus left the meeting at 2:40).

### Minutes

#### 1. Opening Items:

- 1.1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:30 PM by Vice Chair Shirley Lange.
- 1.2. Changes or Additions to the Agenda: None.
- 1.3. Approval of Agenda: **Director Shannon moved to approve the agenda as presented; Director Bogert seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.**

#### 2. End of Year Presentation: Third grade students Angus Jones and Thatcher Wilson gave a PowerPoint presentation on highlights of the 2024-25 school year.

#### 3. Hearing of Individuals or Groups on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items: None.

#### 4. Superintendent Report and Discussion:

- 4.1. Superintendent Bell reported on the following:
  - 4.1.1. Dr. Bell reported that the contract with NWESD 189 for business manager services was increasing 2.7%, or about \$400, for the 2025-26 budget year. The interlocal agreement with San Juan Island School District for superintendent services would be increasing 5.5 – 6% or about \$1,300 per year.
  - 4.1.2. The paraeducator position would be posted and interviews scheduled for July 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - 4.1.3. Salary increases would be reviewed later in the meeting under budget discussion.
  - 4.1.4. Governor Ferguson would be on Orcas July 14<sup>th</sup>, at noon. The District was invited and a seat could be reserved.

#### 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 Klohr moved to approve the consent agenda; Director Shannon seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.**
  - 5.1.1. Minutes from previous meetings (May 13, 2025 Regular Meeting and May 27, 2025 special meeting).
  - 5.1.2. 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 \$26,939.34 are also approved.

General Fund 6361:  
Warrant numbers 2500100 through 250102 and 250104 through 250113  
Totaling \$10,067.64

Capital Fund 6367:  
Warrant number 250103  
Totaling \$195.00

Payroll (April):  
ACH numbers 9000000027 through 9000000034  
Totaling \$13,828.46 and  
Warrant numbers 250114 through 250118  
Totaling \$13,110.88

- 5.1.3. Donations Since Previous Meeting: \$100.00 for Teacher Housing Project.
- 5.1.4. Review of May 2025 Budget Summary.
- 5.1.5. Review of 2024-25 School Improvement Plan Spring Update.

- 5.2. Approval of Updated Policy 3205: The WSSDA (Washington State School Directors' Association) updated Policy 3205 Sexual Harassment of Students Prohibited was discussed. **Director Bogert moved to approve updated Policy 3205; Director Klohr seconded the motion; Directors Bogert, Lange, and Klohr voted in favor of the motion. Director Shannon had stepped out of the room; the motion carried.**
- 5.3. 2025-26 Preliminary Budget Discussion: The 2025-26 budget draft was reviewed and discussed. The board made changes to the capital projects fund draft. NWESD would be providing the final budget document through the District's business manager contracts with NWESD. The deadline for having the budget document was July 10<sup>th</sup>.
- 5.4. Approval of Resolution 2025-9 Changing the July 2025 Regular Meeting: The proposed change from July 15<sup>th</sup> to July 14<sup>th</sup> had been discussed at the previous meeting. **Director Bogert moved to approve Resolution 2025-9; Director Shannon seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.**
- 5.5. Setting the Date for the 2025-26 Budget Hearing: The consensus of the board was to have the budget hearing at the July 14, 2025, regular meeting.

## 6. Unfinished Business:

### 6.1. Teacher Housing Project:

- 5.1.1. Update on Bid Process: Superintendent Bell gave updates on the teacher housing project: PBW Architects were ready to go out to bid. PBW was following up on the status of the permitting. Dr. Bell had submitted a determination request for residential vs. commercial prevailing wage rates to Labor and Industry (Lnl) on June 9<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Bell had received a recommendation from the attorney to inform bidders that the District requested that the base bid assume residential rates and an alternate bid to assume commercial rates which would lock in the bid price for both of those wage scales. Bid opening dates were discussed and consensus was at the regular meeting on August 12<sup>th</sup>. Putting the issue of school housing before the legislature to clarify the RCW on residential prevailing wage was discussed.

## 6. School Board

- 6.1. Director Shannon had a comment that did not have to do with the District, but it had to do with education. In the past few weeks, in carrying out Project 2025, the Trump administration had eliminated the Federal Job Corps, a program started by Lyndon Johnson in 1964 as part of the War on Poverty. It had trained hundreds of thousands of the poorest, most at risk and vulnerable kids between the ages of 16 and 24 in vocational training and job placement. As people elected to promote education, Director Shannon wanted to state it was tragic that people voted for this agenda, and he wanted to be on record to say "shame on you". There was

verbal concurrence from other board members. Director Lange stated that funding for AmeriCorps had also been cut. Director Shannon stated that the Job Corps budget was .02% of the federal budget.

Director Klohr mentioned that Spring Street International School needed to raise two million dollars by the end of June in order to stay open which made her wonder about students and teachers who would need other places to go.

7. Adjournment: ***Director Bogert moved to adjourn the meeting; Director Lange seconded the motion; the meeting was adjourned at 3:54 PM.***

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Carol Criss, Chair

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Becky Bell  
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