

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 408
February 10, 2014

The regular meeting of the board of directors was called to order by Ray Vefik, president, Monday, February 10, at 7 p.m., in the board room of the James P. Fugate Administration Building. All board members were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

The flag salute was led by Shane Buchanan.

Written Communication

The superintendent shared letters with the board that he received from Auburn Riverside High School students, as a civics assignment, on a number of topics.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Anne Baunach, seconded by Lisa Connors, and carried to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of Monday, January 27.

Bond Sale Report

Michael Newman, deputy superintendent, provided an update to the board on the results of the bond sale which occurred on Wednesday, January 29, 2014. The district issued \$43,555,000 of Unlimited Tax General Obligation and Refunding Bonds, 2014 through a negotiated sale with D. A. Davidson serving as underwriter. Proceeds of the 2014 Bonds were used to provide \$45 million for the district's Capital Projects Fund for the Auburn High School Modernization and Reconstruction Project and to refinance the \$3.39 million remaining callable portion of the district's outstanding 2004 UTGO Bonds (Auburn Mountainview). Savings from refinancing the 2004 UTGO Bonds with this issue totaled nearly \$250,000 and are a direct benefit to all the taxpayers in the district.

Board Workshop

It was moved by Carol Seng, seconded by Anne Baunach, and carried to hold a board workshop on Saturday, March 22, 9 a.m.

Discussion

The following were discussed: March 22 workshop agenda, Valley Cities Counseling's desire to obtain property owned by the school district, format for Strategic Plan 2.0, kudos by PSE Energy for Auburn School District's conservation efforts, and a reminder that tomorrow night, at 7:30 p.m., the district will have post-election results.

Executive Session

An executive session was not needed.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Legislative items were discussed.

STUDENT PARTICIPATION

Auburn High School Art Display

Richard Zimmerman, Auburn High School principal, introduced Diane Sarr, Auburn High School art teacher, who introduced Brianna Raves, Samantha Shepherd, Stephanie Masterman, and Ruslan Pavlenko, students, who presented the Auburn High School art display and answered questions from the board.

Activity/Athletic Report–Auburn High School Wrestling Program

Richard Zimmerman introduced Dennis Herren, Jr., and Erick Opel, Auburn High School coaches, who introduced Samuel Lindsey, Mario Luevano, Jacob Apodaca, Freddie Pineda, Jr., and Makayla Barnette, students, who reported on the Auburn High School wrestling program and answered questions from the board.

Technology in the Classroom

Michael Newman, deputy superintendent, introduced Doug Gonzales, instructional technology coordinator, who introduced Art Spencer and Nathan Lemanski, Arthur Jacobsen Elementary School and Auburn Mountainview High School teachers, respectively. Mr. Spencer introduced Kylie Latour-Telles, student, and Mr. Lemanski introduced Shane Buchanan, student. The group presented their report on technology in the classroom and answered questions from the board.

Requests for Travel

It was moved by Anne Baunach, seconded by Carol Seng, and carried to approve the following requests for travel:

- a. Eight Auburn Riverside High School students and five Auburn High School students will travel to Yakima, Friday to Sunday, February 14-16. The purpose of the trip will be to perform at the All-State Honor Orchestra, Band, and Choir Festival. Elsa Fager, Auburn Riverside High School teacher, will accompany the students.
- b. Eleven Auburn Riverside High school students and 15 Auburn High School students will travel to San Diego, California, Wednesday to Sunday, April 9-13. The purpose of the trip will be to attend the Journalism Education Association National High School Journalism Convention. Patrick Swenson, Auburn Riverside High School teacher, and Thomas Kaup, Auburn High School teacher, will accompany the students.

Kathy Brown, Russ Brown, and Amy Poe, parent chaperones, will also accompany the students.

SCHOOL PROGRAMS AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

2011-14 West Auburn High School Improvement Plan

Rodney Luke, associate superintendent of K-12 learning and technology, informed the board that the verbiage should read 2011-14 West Auburn High School Improvement Plan instead of 2013-16. The correction was made and it was moved by Carol Seng, seconded by Anne Baunach, and carried to approve the 2011-14 West Auburn School Improvement Plan. This presentation aligns with the 2013-16 district strategic plan, Goal 1: student achievement, Objective 2 school improvement plans and the 2013-14 stated district goals, Standard III "create conditions district wide for student and staff success."

PERSONNEL - CERTIFICATED AND CLASSIFIED

Certificated and Classified Personnel Report

It was moved by Lisa Connors, seconded by Anne Baunach, and carried to approve the Certificated and Classified Personnel Report. The Certificated and Classified Personnel Report is filed with these official minutes.

VEBA

It was moved by Lisa Connors, seconded by Anne Baunach, and carried to approve the signed Letters of Agreement as presented.

Requests for Travel

It was moved by Carol Seng, seconded by Lisa Connors, and carried to approve the following requests for travel:

- a. Ben Talbert, Rainier Middle School principal, will travel to Nashville, Tennessee, Wednesday to Saturday, February 12-15. The purpose of the trip will be to attend the AASA National Conference on Education.
- b. Denise Daniels, family engagement coordinator, will travel to Cincinnati, Ohio, Monday to Thursday, April 7-10. The purpose of the trip will be to attend the National Family Engagement Conference.

FINANCE

Vouchers

It was moved by Anne Baunach, seconded by Lisa Connors, and carried to approve the vouchers as presented. The vouchers are attached to and made a part of these official minutes. A copy of the vouchers is on file in the business office.

Adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Dr. Kip Herren, Secretary
Board of Directors

Ray Vefik, President
Board of Directors