

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
AUBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 408  
March 9, 2015

The regular meeting of the board of directors was called to order by Carol Seng, president, Monday, March 9, at 7 p.m., in the board room of the James P. Fugate Administration Building. All board members, with the exception of Anne Baunach who was excused, were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

The flag salute was led by Adylin Edwards.

Scheduled Communications

Brenda Austin, Loss Control Consultant for the Washington Schools Risk Management Pool, presented the district and Randy Thomas, executive director of maintenance and operations, the Award for Achievement for the 2014 Risk Assessment Survey Award for Facility Management.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Ryan Van Quill, seconded by Ray Vefik, and carried to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of Monday, February 23.

Discussion

The following items were discussed: Director Vefik will be attending the State Board of Education community forum March 11-12 and he will share with the State Board concerns that every time a test is required, it takes away from student learning, and the superintendent provided an outline to the board for their upcoming presentation at the NSBA.

Special Board Meeting

It was moved by Ray Vefik, seconded by Ryan Van Quill, and carried to hold a special board meeting on Saturday, March 14, 8 a.m. The purpose of the special board meeting is to discuss qualifications of employee and will be an executive session. The special board meeting will be held in the board room at the James P. Fugate Administration Building.

Executive Session

The board president, Carol Seng, announced that an executive session would convene at 8:34 p.m., to discuss issues relating to RCW 42.30.110(g), personnel issues, and that the meeting would return to open session by 8:54 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 8:54 p.m.

The board president, Carol Seng, announced that an executive session would convene at 8:54 p.m., to continue discussion on issues relating to RCW 42.30.110(g), personnel issues, and that the meeting would return to open session by 9:04 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 9:04 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Legislative items were discussed.

## STUDENT PARTICIPATION

### Ilalko Elementary School Art Display

Tim Carstens, Ilalko Elementary School principal, introduced Adylin Edwards and Olivia Morrow, students, who presented the Ilalko Elementary School art display and answered questions from the board.

### Activity/Athletic Report–Auburn Riverside High School Fast Pitch Program

Rob Swaim, director of athletics and activities, introduced Bryce Strand, Auburn Riverside High School coach, who introduced Taylor Poe and Hannah Juth, students, who reported on their fast pitch program and answered questions from the board.

### West Auburn High School Prom Plans

It was moved by Ray Vefik, seconded by Laurie Bishop, and carried to approve West Auburn's prom plans which will be held at West Auburn High School on Saturday, April 25, 8-11 p.m.

### Requests for Travel

It was moved by Ryan Van Quill, seconded by Laurie Bishop, and carried to approve the following requests for travel:

- a. Sixteen Auburn Riverside High School students will travel to Seattle, Friday to Sunday, March 13-15. The purpose of the trip will be to attend the Seattle Key Club Division Conference. Kelly Jensen, Auburn Riverside High School teacher, will accompany the students.

Kevin Gazay, parent chaperone, will also accompany the students.

- b. Thirty Auburn Mountainview High School students will travel to Mt. Vernon, Friday to Sunday, March 13-15. The purpose of the trip will be to attend the FIRST Robotics Competition. Tim Scott, Regina Grubb, and Robert Moritz, Auburn Mountainview High School teachers, will accompany the students.

Mr. and Mrs. Kroon, Mr. and Mrs. Hamburg, and Mr. Kukay, parent chaperones, will also accompany the students.

- c. Five Auburn Mountainview High School students will travel to Wenatchee, Tuesday to Friday, March 24-27. The purpose of the trip is to attend the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of American Conference. Dr. Vivian Baglien, Auburn Mountainview High School teacher, will accompany the students.

- d. Twelve Auburn High School students, 12 Auburn Mountainview High School students, and 13 Auburn Riverside High School students will travel to Portland, Oregon, Wednesday to Thursday, April 1-2. The purpose of the trip will be to attend the DECA Sports Marketing Field Study. Lori Jacobs, Derek Enz, and Doug Aubert, DECA advisors for Auburn High School, Auburn Mountainview High School, and Auburn Riverside High School, respectively, and Shelley Davis, Auburn High School para-educator, will accompany the students.
- e. Thirteen Auburn Riverside High School students will travel to Denver, Colorado, Thursday to Sunday, April 16-19. The purpose of the trip will be to attend the JEA/NSPA National Journalism Conference. Patrick Swenson, Auburn Riverside High School teacher, will accompany the students.

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

- f. Sixty-two Auburn Riverside High School students will travel to Pasco, Friday to Saturday, April 17-18. The purpose of the trip will be to compete in the Green River Music Region Choir Festival. Jon Stenson and Eric Makhonov, Auburn Riverside High School teacher and student teacher, respectively, and Frank Ramirez, Auburn Riverside High School assistant principal, will accompany the students.
- g. Twenty-four Auburn Riverside High School students will travel to Beaverton, Oregon, Friday to Sunday, April 17-19. The purpose of the trip will be to compete in the Tualatin Hills Water Polo Rose Cup Tournament. Mike Van Eaton and Blair Jackson, Auburn Riverside High School coaches, will accompany the students.

Leslie Ridge, Vicki Freelund, and Mary Dorn, parent chaperones, will also accompany the students.

- h. Eleven Auburn High School students, 12 Auburn Mountainview High School students, and five Auburn Riverside High School students, will travel to Orlando, Florida, Friday to Wednesday, April 24-29. The purpose of the trip will be to attend the DECA International Conference. Lori Jacobs, Derek Enz, and Doug Aubert will accompany the students.
- i. Six Auburn High School students will travel to Arlington, Friday to Saturday, March 20-21. The purpose of the trip will be to compete in the State Floral Competition. Ronda Kurka, Auburn High School teacher, will accompany the students.

## SCHOOL PROGRAMS AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

### 2013-16 Alpac Elementary School Improvement Plan

It was moved by Ray Vefik, seconded by Ryan Van Quill, and carried to approve the 2013-16 Alpac Elementary School Improvement Plan. This presentation aligns with the 2013-16 district strategic plan, Goal 1: student achievement, Objective 2 school improvement plans and the 2014-15 stated district goals, Standard III "create conditions district wide for student and staff success."

### Instructional Technology Implementation Progress Report for Auburn High School and Auburn Riverside High School

Rodney Luke, associate superintendent of technology and learning, introduced Douglas Gonzales, coordinator of instructional technology, who introduced Abe VanDerPuy, Auburn High School social studies teacher, and Shawn Martinson, Auburn Riverside High School social studies teacher. The team presented research tools within Google Docs utilized by students to cite evidence in their papers and the integration of Schoolwires, Google Classroom and Google Forms. This presentation aligns with the 2013-16 district strategic plan, goal 1: student achievement, objective 4: technology, and the 2013-16 stated district goals standard III, "create conditions district wide for student and staff success," goal 2: "increase the use of instructional technology for student achievement by having a process in place to support evaluation and updating of technology."

PERSONNEL - CERTIFICATED AND CLASSIFIED

Certificated and Classified Personnel Report

It was moved by Ray Vefik, seconded by Laurie Bishop, and carried to approve the Certificated and Classified Personnel Report. The Certificated and Classified Personnel Report is filed with these official minutes.

Requests for Travel

It was moved by Ray Vefik, seconded by Laurie Bishop, and carried to approve the following requests for travel:

- a. Mike Weibel, director of human resources, and Sally Colburn, Hazelwood Elementary School principal, will travel to Long Beach, California, Thursday to Saturday, March 26-28. The purpose of the trip will be for recruiting at Cal State University.
- b. Mike Weibel; Debbie Leighton, executive director of human resources; Cindi Blansfield, executive director of high school/post-secondary programs; and Greg Brown, Mt. Baker Middle School principal, will travel to Phoenix, Arizona, Thursday to Friday, April 16-17. The purpose of the trip will be for recruiting at Arizona State University and the University of Arizona.
- c. Michael Newman, deputy superintendent of business and operations, will travel to Atlanta, Georgia, Tuesday to Thursday, May 12-14. The purpose of the trip will be to attend the Behavioral Studies DISC Level 1 Training Conference.

Resignation of Superintendent

It was moved by Ryan Van Quill, seconded by Laurie Bishop, and carried to accept the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of Dennis Kip Herren, superintendent, effective Tuesday, June 30.

BUILDING PROGRAM

Asset Preservation Program

It was moved by Laurie Bishop, seconded by Ryan Van Quill, and carried to approve the facility assessment for Mt. Baker Middle School, Auburn Mountainview High School, and Auburn Riverside High School.

Authorization of Award of Contract—Auburn Riverside High School Ball Field and Site Improvements

It was moved by Laurie Bishop, seconded by Ryan Van Quill, and carried to award the contract for the Auburn Riverside High School Ball Field and Site Improvements project to the low responsive bidder, Terra Dynamics, Inc. for their bid of \$3,609,000.00.



FINANCE

Vouchers

It was moved by Ray Vefik, seconded by Laurie Bishop, 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 9:05 p.m.

Dr. Kip Herren, Secretary  
Board of Directors

Carol Seng, President  
Board of Directors