

Shaw Island School District Board of Directors Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 15, 2022

The open public meeting was held through a Zoom electronic meeting in accordance with Governor Inslee's proclamation 20-28.5.

Directors Present: Carol Criss, Jon Shannon, Shannon Klohr, Shirley Lange (arrived 3:15), and John Bogert (arrived 3:21).

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

Audience: Teachers Abi Ellingson and Diane Clifton and students Jasper Mahn and Nolan Wilson. Teachers and students left after the Student/Teacher Presentation at 3:24.

Minutes

1. Opening Items:
 - 1.1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 3:12 PM by Chair Carol Criss.
 - 1.2. Changes or Additions to the Agenda: None.
 - 1.3. Approval of Agenda: **Director Shannon moved to approve the agenda; Director Klohr seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.**
 - 1.4. Approval of Minutes: November 16, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes: **Director Shannon moved to approve the January 18, 2022 minutes; Director Klohr seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.**
2. Hearing of Individual or Groups on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items: None.
3. Curriculum:
 - 3.1. Student/Teacher Presentation: Third grader Nolan Wilson narrated a PowerPoint presentation on the lower grade classroom. The kindergarten through third grade students had been studying habitats both on the playground and on the San Juan Preservation Trust property where they had planted Garry Oaks earlier in the year. The students were also studying robotics. The kindergarten through second students were working with parent volunteer Amber Borner, using iPads to build their programs. Nolan was working with Diane using Lego Mindstorms. Jasper Mahn reported on the older grade classroom. The fifth through eighth graders were using the new science curriculum to investigate "why do we see different things when looking at the same object?" He also shared that parent volunteer Mike Mahn was teaching the students chess. Superintendent McVeigh commended the students on their work on the Shaw Times, which had been mailed to community members.
 - 3.2. Mid-Year Review of School Improvement Plan: Superintendent McVeigh reminded the board that there were two items in the current year's School Improvement Plan (SIP) and that it was time to report on what had been accomplished to date. For the Communication Plan, she had implemented monthly "Coffee with Kari" sessions where she engaged in discussions with parents. Teachers were regularly communicating with parents through emails and newsletters; they were also trying to be outside regularly during pick up. Parents had been sent a survey on District communications and responses were positive. The appropriate point of contact was an area that needed more work. For the Enhanced Learning Opportunity Plan, though COVID and cold weather had impacted some activities, there had been some science and PE activities outdoors. Music continued to be held outdoors under the shelter and included singing, ukulele playing, and tap dancing. Students had participated in the Great Island Cleanup, their Garry Oak project, and the field trip to Canoe Island. Parent volunteers were involved in art, robotics, and

chess. As COVID cases wane, more visiting instructors would be brought in. Three community volunteers were working with the younger students.

4. Superintendent:

4.1. Superintendent McVeigh reported on the following:

- In the fall, students had taken a modified version of the state Smarter Balanced tests for the previous school year since tests had not been given that year due to COVID. All of the Shaw School students who tested achieved grade level or above grade level scores. This indicates that Shaw School students did not experience learning loss due to the distance learning that took place during the 2020-21 school year.
- Drainage issues and dampness in the ballroom were being evaluated and addressed by local contractors.
- Several electrical contractors had been contacted concerning a generator (to be addressed later on the agenda) and other minor electrical jobs. Only Frank Guard from Guard electric responded to the solicitation. Frank did a site visit to determine electrical needs.
- Since the capital projects planning meeting the previous month, things were moving forward on teacher housing. Contact had been made with an architectural firm, and Kari would be meeting with Jennifer Swanson to talk about fundraising ideas.
- Districts are assuming that OSPI (Office of Superintendent of Public Education) would be implementing a 3 – 4% cost of living adjustment (COLA) increase for all staff for the 2022-23 school year, though the actual cost of living had increased more than 4%.

5. Business and Operations

5.1. Consent Agenda

Director Bogert moved to approve the following consent agenda; Director Lange seconded the motion; the motion carried unanimously.

5.1.1. Approval of Payroll: Warrant numbers 88643 – 88650, totaling \$15,268.04

5.1.2. Approval of Claims: Warrant numbers 249399 – 249404 and 249850 – 249852, totaling \$18,400.41.

5.1.3. Budget Status Report

5.2. Emergency Generator Update: As mentioned above, Frank Guard from Guard Electric had done a site visit. Superintendent McVeigh had hoped to have an estimate from Guard Electric to present at that time. However, no estimate had been received.

6. School Board

6.1. Presentation of Certificate: Chair Criss presented Director Shannon with the certificate from WSSDA (Washington State School Directors Association) for ten years of service on the board.

6.2. School Board Directors' Reports: Director Bogert asked a follow-up to a question he had emailed concerning the Small Schools Board that Director Criss was participating in. Director Bogert asked if there were other very small districts that the Shaw District could work with for a larger voice on the board. Director Criss stated she would investigate. Director Klohr asked for clarification on Director Criss's report that districts did not receive funding for Choice Transfer students. ~~Director~~ Superintendent McVeigh clarified that that was not accurate and that the funding followed the student. Director Klohr asked about COVID testing for visiting instructors. Tests were available and visiting instructors could be asked to test.

7. Executive Session: Superintendent Evaluation. Chair Criss opened an executive session at 4:01 with board directors only to evaluate the superintendent. At 4:18 Superintendent McVeigh was called into the session. At 4:33 Chair Criss closed the executive session.

8. Adjournment: **Director Bogert moved that the meeting be adjourned; Director Klohr seconded the motion; the meeting was adjourned at 4:34 PM.**

Carol Criss, Chair

Kari McVeigh
Superintendent/Secretary to the Board

John Bogert, Director

Shirley Lange, Director

Shannon Klohr, Director

Jon Shannon, Director