## CASHMERE SCHOOL DISTRICT #222 Regular Board Meeting February 23, 2015

Call to Order: Chairman Christensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Declaration of Quorum: Board members Brian Maydole, Roger Perleberg, Kelly Green and Paul Nelson were present. Eight others attended including Superintendent Johnson.

- 1.0 <u>Flag Salute</u> Cashmere High School freshman Danielle Monroe, Kaylee Wise and Joshua Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2.0 <u>Approval of the Agenda</u> –On a motion by Kelly Green, the Board approved the agenda as presented.
- 3.0 Reports, Correspondence and Program
  - 3.1 <u>Board Report</u> Roger Perleberg said that although Cashmeres' wrestling team had not placed at state they were young and enthusiastic and should do well next year.

Superintendent Johnson advised that *Cashmere* Cares is a school-based program in collaboration with the Cashmere community founded to serve the district's needy children. John Prescott (Lions Club/Mission Creek Community Club) and Bill Frazier (Mission Creek Community Club) provided an update on the spaghetti feed the Mission Creek Community Club put together in January to help fund *Cashmere Cares*. Mr. Frazier commented that John Prescott was the driving force behind the fundraiser and that he really worked hard to put it all together. Mr. Prescott stated that the spaghetti feed wouldn't have come together without the help of community members such as Martin's Market Place who donated over \$400 worth of product or Sure to Rise Bakery, who donated 300 rolls for the meal. The spaghetti feed raised over \$4,040 all of which was donated to *Cashmere Cares*.

Superintendent Johnson thanked Mr. Prescott and Mr. Frazier commenting that *Cashmere Cares* could not happened without people like them having a heart for kids.

- 3.2 <u>CHS Student Report</u> Freshman Danielle Monroe, Kaylee Wise and Joshua Johnson reported to the Board on current and upcoming activities including Knowledge Bowl and TATU (Teens against Tobacco Use).
- 3.3 Superintendent's Report
  - 3.3.1 <u>Enrollment-Budget Update</u> Superintendent Johnson advised that he would provide the enrollment report since Mr. Remick was attending Cascade's

board meeting. He stated that the year to date enrollment average remains over budget at 1452.91 and that in spite of all the big-ticket items we have had, the year-end balance is still projected to be on target.

Superintendent Johnson commented that although the auditor's exit conference had still not been scheduled, there are no foreseen issues.

3.3.2 <u>Goodwin Street Bridge Update/Report</u> – Superintendent Johnson introduced Mitch Reister Chelan County Public Works Director. He reviewed with the Board the four proposed options for replacing the Goodwin Bridge at the west end of Cashmere. Mr. Reister advised that the bridge already is closed to heavy trucks and due to its age and condition facing complete closure in the near future.

Mr. Reister stated that the impact of closing the bridge would increase freight and pedestrian conflicts, reduced mobility of school buses and emergency services would be impacted if a train blocked Cashmere streets.

Mr. Reister provided a copy of a letter to Senator Parlette from County Commissioner Goehner, Cashmere Mayor Jeff Gomes and JC Baldwin, Port Authority Commissioner requesting her support in securing the additional funding needed for the replacement of the Goodwin Bridge. He requested that the Board write their own letter in support of funding for the bridge.

Superintendent Johnson and the Board agreed that they would submit a letter in support of funding for the replacement of the Goodwin Street Bridge and thanked Mr. Reister for providing the update.

3.3.3 <u>AVID Program Report</u> – Mr. Cline advised that AVID has been used primarily in the 7 - 8 grades at the Middle School for the last three years and this year has included 9<sup>th</sup> graders. He stated that all of the 7th and 8th grade students use the AVID Cornell note taking method.

Mr. Cline stated that since starting AVID, there is a change of culture in the classroom; the students have a better attitude and are more ready to learn. He advised that AVID students on the average are outperforming their peers and are more involved and engaged in school. He commented that the biggest problem is securing tutors for the students.

Superintendent Johnson advised that AVID teachers would provide the Board with hard data, test scores, grades and attendance at the next meeting.

3.3.4 <u>College Bound Scholarship Program – Gold Star Award</u> – Superintendent Johnson advised that College Bound Scholarship program provides financial assistance to low-income students who want to achieve the dream of a college education. This early promise of financial aid is intended to alleviate the financial barriers that prevent low-income students from considering higher education as a possibility. To obtain college financing, students must sign up in the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade and agree to complete high school with a 2.0 GPA, be a good citizen and not receive any felony convictions. They must also apply to an eligible college and complete FAFSA in timely manner.

Superintendent Johnson said that we had received a letter and award from Governor Inslee advising that our District is one of the top-performing districts in terms of signing up students for the College Bound Program.

Superintendent Johnson thanked Rob Cline, who was the MS principal when the College Bound Program started, Tony Smith, Dale Jones, former counselor, for building the program and Liz Detamore, current MS counselor, who has continued building the program and encouraged students to apply.

- 4.0 <u>Visitors</u> Sebastian Moraga of the Cashmere Valley Record attended. There were no other visitors.
- 5.0 Consent Agenda
  - 5.1 <u>Approval of Board Minutes</u> Approval of January 26, 2015 and February 9, 2015, board minutes.
  - 5.2 Approval of Warrants and Financial Reports

 Pay date of February 10, 2015: Warrants #303794 - #303868 totaling \$99,257.19

 General Fund
 \$89,484.85

 ASB
 \$9,772.34

 Pay date of February 27, 2015: Warrants #303925 - #303993 totaling \$100,624.87

 General Fund
 \$92,906.38

 ASB
 \$7,718.49

Pay date of February 28, 2015: Payroll in an amount totaling \$1,018,372.92 including benefits.

On a motion by Roger Perleberg, the Board approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

## 6.0 <u>Action Items</u>

6.1 <u>Resolution 2015-1 Unused/Underutilized School Facilities in Neighboring School</u> <u>Districts</u> – Superintendent Johnson advised that a requirement of the Study and Survey is to determine if neighboring districts have any unused or underutilized school facilities available. This resolution attests to the completion of this requirement.

On a motion by Brian Maydole, the Board approved Resolution 2015-1 <u>Unused/Underutilized School Facilities in Neighboring School Districts</u>.

- 7.0 <u>Discussion Items</u> There were no items for discussion.
- 8.0 <u>Executive Session</u> Chairman Christensen requested a 30-minute executive session on a personnel matter with no action to follow per RCW 42.30.110(1) (g) following a two minute recess.

On a motion by Kelly Green, the Board moved into executive session at 8:05 PM.

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9.0 <u>Adjournment</u> - On a motion by Kelly Green and there being no further business to discuss, Chairman Christensen adjourned the meeting at 8:51 PM.

Secretary

Chairman