

CASHMERE SCHOOL DISTRICT #222
Work Session
December 5, 2016

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Tom Christensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 AM.

DECLARATION OF QUORUM:

Board members Kelly Green, Roger Perleberg and Paul Nelson were present. Glenn Adams was absent. There were five others present including Superintendent Johnson.

1.0 Flag Salute

1.1. Chairman Christensen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2.0 Approval of the Agenda - On a motion by Roger Perleberg, the Board approved the agenda as presented.

3.0 Reports, Correspondence and Program –

3.1 Board Report - There was no report from the Board.

3.2 Enrollment Report – Superintendent Johnson reported that enrollment is down 13 students but that is a normal trend this time of year. We had one family with four students alone move out of the state.

3.3 Superintendent's Report

3.3.1 Vale Bid Opening – Superintendent Johnson advised that the bid opening for Vale Elementary construction is Thursday afternoon at 4:00 PM. He said that although six contractors have expressed interest in bidding, he has no idea if all six will submit bids.

3.3.2 Cashmere Cares Update – Superintendent Johnson stated that the response to the Wenatchee World article and interview on Cashmere Cares has been tremendous. He has heard from alumni and others across the United States that either want to donate funds, their time/support and anything else needed.

Superintendent Johnson advised that a Community Summit would be held in January on the effects of ACES and poverty on students. gathering for students prior to Christmas just to let kids know that the community cares about them.

- 3.3.3 School Resource Officer – Sheriff Brian Burnett attended the board meeting in order to provide the Board with a breakdown of costs for a full time School Resource Officer (SRO) during the school year.

Superintendent Johnson stated that having a full time School Resource Officer not only assists in providing a safe learning environment for students but also is a deterrent to incidents of graffiti, vandalism and break-ins in the community. Students are also more willing to speak with or provide information to someone in authority that they have established a relationship with in the school.

Initially, the proposal was for a year round School Resource Officer who would serve both the school and the city/community. Superintendent Johnson advised that he and Sheriff Burnett have spoken several times with the City and City Council to see if the cost of a full time year round SRO could be shared between the City and the District. Superintendent Johnson said that school-city partnerships in support of SRO's are common throughout the region and viewed as a "win-win" for both the school and the community. The City has stated they are supportive of this idea, but have no funds at this time to contribute.

Cashmere High School Principal Tony Boyle stated that having a full time SRO would create a better, safer learning environment for students. Students are more likely to talk about incidents and response time is faster when there is an officer in our District. He said have Deputy Mutch available in the schools is of immeasurable value.

Board member and Sheriff Paul Nelson stated that Deputy Mutch is a very pro-active presence in the District and community, and that he has received a lot of valuable information from Deputy Mutch.

Superintendent Johnson advised that since the meeting was a work session, no formal action could be taken but he did have the authority to proceed with the plans to fund a full time School Resource Officer.

4.0 Adjournment

On a motion by Paul Nelson and there being no further business to discuss, Chairman Christensen adjourned the meeting at 7:55 AM.

Secretary

Chairman