CASHMERE SCHOOL DISTRICT #222

Board Work Session

District Office

April 14, 2014

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Tom Christensen called the meeting to order at 6:32 AM.

DECLARATION OF QUORUM:

Board members Roger Perleberg, Kelly Green and Paul Nelson were present. Brian Maydole was absent. There were four other present including Superintendent Johnson.

1. Flag Salute
	1. Chairman Tom Christensen led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Approval of the Agenda - On a motion by Roger Perleberg, the Board approved the agenda as amended.
3. Reports, Correspondence and Program –
	1. Budget Update – Superintendent Johnson advised that part of the groundwork in preparation for the 2014-15 budget is to project the Districts’ ending fund balance for the current school year. He advised the Dwight Remick would provide the Board with an overview of the Districts’ current and projected status.

Mr. Remick provided the Board with a brief overview of the Districts’ cash flow projections, revenues, expenditures and projected enrollment numbers. He stated that this school year’s estimated ending fund balance is on target to meet the boards budgeted amount.

* 1. Bond Funding Update – Superintendent Johnson advised that there is a Bond Rating phone call today at 2:00PM. The call’s purpose is to assess the District’s financial stability in order to obtain a high rating, which would encourage the sale/refinancing of our bonds at a lower interest. They will review the District’s historical fund balances, facilities, community support, enrollment trends, economic development, etc.

Superintendent Johnson also reminded the Board that in order for resale to be fiscally responsible, the District would have to obtain at least a 5% savings.

* 1. CCSS/Instructional Core – Superintendent Johnson reviewed with the board the “Instructional Core” which involves three parts (Content/Knowledge, Instructional Skill/Support and Student Engagement). He stated that improving all three portions is the key to improving student achievement and the research is clear that if you change one that you need to address all three. With the implementation of the new standards (CCSS) it will be critical that we continue to provide quality professional development coupled with aligned instructional materials.
	2. Technology Update Report – Rob Cline updated the Board on the progress to date in completion of the 13-14 technology goals. The updating of Vale Elementary’s phone system took place during Spring Break and the High School’s system is scheduled for updating during the summer, along with new infrastructure wiring and switches to support the system. Office 365 was implemented districtwide for staff and 6-12 grade students. He said that 50 new IPADS had also been purchased for the schools for piloting.

Mr. Cline advised that a 5 year Technology Plan has been developed to address classroom technology and necessary infrastructure to support goals around learning and teaching related to the Instructional Core. He advised that work on new districtwide websites would commence soon with a goal towards being operational next month.

* 1. *Cashmere Cares* – Superintendent Johnson spoke to the Board about the four goals of the *Cashmere Cares* program: 1) No Kid Cold 2) No Kid Hungry 3) Every Kid with Mentor and 4) Every Kid Literate. The program is designed so that the school and community (Service Clubs, Businesses, Churches, Regional Agencies, Parents, etc.) work hand in hand to meet these goals. Superintendent Johnson reported that he has already received overwhelming interest and support for the program. He stated that the intention was to pilot a small portion of the program this spring with expanded implementation next fall.
	2. Question-Persuade-Refer­ – Board Member Paul Nelson advised that in his recent Crisis Intervention Training he was introduced to the suicide prevention program “QPR” or Question, Persuade and Refer. The program provides training on learning how to recognize the warning signs of suicide, how to question, persuade and refer them or help in order to save a life.

Superintendent Johnson stated he would talk to the administrators about the program with an eye to holding the training on a late start.

1. Adjournment

On a motion by Roger Perleberg and there being no further business to discuss, Chairman Christensen adjourned the meeting at 8:05 AM.

#####  Secretary Chairman