

**LAKE CHELAN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**DATE:** October 12, 2010

**TIME:** 6:00 PM

**LOCATION:** District Office

**Present:** Rob Manahan, Jim Colbert, Ken Brunner, Siri Tift-Wyant, Leah Thompson, Jeff Peck, Barry DePaoli, Scott Raab, Chris Anderson, Peter Larson, Bev Cady, Karen Mackey, Jay Morrison, Carrie Draeger-Chelan Mirror

**AGENDA**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Jim Colbert called the meeting to order at 5:45pm.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Rob requested that Agenda item VII be moved after item V, to complete before visiting GVHS & CPHS. Ken moved to accept this request and Leah seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 28 and October 5, 2010**

Siri moved to accept the minutes as written, Ken seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS/VISITOR REQUESTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Jay Morrison, a MS parent, spoke to the Board about reviewing the Board Policy on harassment and bullying. Harassment and bullying today comes in many forms such as: cyber bullying, name calling, physical, and texting to name a few. Mr. Morrison requests a policy with more accountability and preventative procedures. Understanding that kids don't want to speak out in fear of retaliation, he suggested a possible parent group to share what kids are saying at home with the administration. Mr. Morrison wants to be pro-active.

Rob has met with Canfield on staff training about bullying and is examining how to use some of their resources with staff and students. Leah asked the administrators about teachers being in the hall between classes. Chris explained that many teachers are in the hall, but the kids go where adults are not around. Siri asked about whether teachers are required to stand in the halls between classes. Chris explained that he highly encourages them to be in the hall, but teachers meet with students and answer last minute questions. Leah asked if there can be an expectation of staff to be in the hall. Chris gave some ideas, and agrees that students need to know that this is serious and need to see more adult presence.

The board agreed that the school district needs to look at new avenues, be clear on expectations, and build strong student leadership.

**V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

• **Administrator Reports**

Jeff gave an update about what is happening at MOE. There is new diagnostic reading testing called Dibels, where testing is done on a weekly basis. This is a positive change in the building; the staff and students are moving forward with it. Jeff thanked Ken

Brunner for bringing apples to MOE today. Many Orchardists are bringing apples this fall since there is no fruit & veggie grant.

Barry said that conferences at the HS went well last week. Students and parents are asking good questions about learning plans. Those students who missed the conferences will have follow up with phone calls to the parents.

WSU is visiting the HS on Mon. Nov. 22. This will be a whole day of Imagine U @ WSU. All students, from CHS and Manson HS, will be able to choose courses that will be taught by university professors for the day. Chelan alumni, who are attending WSU at this time, will be here also as ambassadors. It is about kids thinking early about college!

Barry said that today's staff meeting focused on achievement gaps between students. The staff wants to improve the low scores by 10%. Leah asked about the achievement gap of ESL students. Barry said that the ESL students are not struggling so much with language, the issue is really poverty. The issues are bigger than just the school, it is a community issue. Rob talked about how ESL student scores go up through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade when there is a lot of support in learning to read. Test scores go down from 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade when students are reading to learn, and then pick up more in HS when students understand more of the language. It takes about 7 years to learn a language.

Scott Rabb gave a report of what is happening in HS sports. There is no JV Girls Soccer team this year, because of lack of interest. The district is talking with the North East A League about keeping tournaments to one day events so that students are in school and to cut travel costs.

Chris reported that the 6<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Holden was a great success! Response To Intervention is going well, with the MS staff putting together a data form that they like. A committee is being put together to look at policies, handbooks, procedures, education, and prevention on bullying and harassment. The committee will look at curriculum and plan assemblies. Leah asked if the anonymous tip line was in place and how it is being advertised. Chris said that it is posted in the hallways and on doors at the MS/HS.

Chris also shared that he is reviewing ESL and SPED programs at the MS. Are the students being served in the best possible way? Staff is looking at forms, procedures and making the programs stronger.

Rob said that the Administrator Leadership Team meeting went very well. The team went to MOE and visited several classrooms. They will have a meeting on Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> to discuss what Special Services truly looks like, and work on a road map for the future. The district is in the process of computer system upgrade for the secretaries and implementing a "Data Dashboard" for staff to be able to access student assessment data.

Barry informed the Board that the pest control issue is all quiet at the HS.

- **Board Policy 2251 – 1<sup>st</sup> reading**

LCSD did have an online learning Board Policy and the policy needed to be updated for definitions, eligibility criteria, access, costs, and evaluations. New policy has been written and current policies have been made into the guiding principles. This is the 1<sup>st</sup> reading and discussion of the revised BP 2251.

## **VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- **GV/CPHS – School Visit and dinner**

The Board, Superintendent, and administrators visited GVHS for dinner and Bill Sargent talked about the students and program. The board then moved to the Chelan Prep Night School and learned from Mark Brundage and students about the night school program. Both teachers answered questions and extended invitations to anyone who would like to visit the schools during their school hours.

## **VII. ACTION ITEMS**

- **Board Policy 6001 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Approval**

There was a question about one month's average of accounts payable. The Board feels this should be clearly written for definition and interpretation in the future. The Board wants a review of the months that are calculated for the average. Rob will ask Scott to calculate percentage.

Jim asked to have discussion time for the Board before the WSSDA convention to make the most of their time there. A suggested date is Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>. The Board will check their calendars and get back with Rob to confirm.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The board will adjourn after their tour of Glacier Valley High School and Chelan Prep. Night School.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.

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Jim Colbert, Chairman

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Rob Manahan, Superintendent