

BUSINESS MEETING
December 12, 2006
Yakima, WA

The Board of Directors of the Yakima School District met at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 12, 2006, at Central Services, Conference Rooms A and B, 104 North 4th Avenue, Yakima, Washington. The meeting was advertised as required by law.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Vickie Ybarra, President
John Vornbrock, Vice President
Raymond Navarro, Jr., Member
Walt Ranta, Member
Martha Rice, Member

Benjamin A. Soria, Superintendent
Jack Irion, Deputy Superintendent
Cece Mahre, Associate Superintendent
Rick Doehle, Assistant Superintendent
Scott Izutsu, Assistant Superintendent

Also attending were Becky Scholl, Mary Beth Wright, Bruce Mortimer, Craig Dwight, Lee Maras, Vicki Dwight, Bob Stanley, Steve McKenna, Ryan Broom, Shelly Minard, Victor Nourani, Stuart Copeland, Willie Sgambelluri, Eddie Brown, Steve Hilms, James Joyce, Jeana McKee, Sharon Surbrook, and other members of the community and staff.

President Vickie Ybarra opened the meeting at 7:31 p.m. Carmen Orozco provided interpretation services.	<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>
None this month.	<u>RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND GUESTS</u>
The offices of Board President and Vice President were to be filled. The Board President and Vice President serve a one-year term. The Legislative Representative serves a two-year term and was not due to be filled this year. Martha Rice currently holds that position. President Vickie Ybarra opened the nominations for Office of Board President. Vickie Ybarra was nominated. There being no other nominations, the nominations were closed and there was a call for vote. Vickie Ybarra was elected 5-0 for Office of Board President. President Vickie Ybarra opened the nominations for Office of Board Vice President. John Vornbrock was nominated. There being no other nominations, the nominations were closed and there was a call for vote. John Vornbrock was elected 5-0 for Office of Board Vice President.	<u>REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD</u>
<u>Fall 2006 Sports State Competition Awards</u> – The Board of Directors recognized Davis High School sophomore Sandra Martinez who placed 7 th in the state in Girls’ Cross-Country at the WIAA State Championships. Her coach Jose Garcia was also recognized. Ms. Martinez and Mr. Garcia were unable to attend the meeting. Bob Stanley, Davis High School Assistant Principal, attended the meeting on their behalf.	<u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS/ RECOGNITIONS</u>
None this month.	<u>GIFTS TO THE DISTRICT/ BOARD</u>
President Ybarra noted there are two opportunities for the public to address the board during the business meeting. There were no comments at this time.	<u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u>
None this month.	<u>TEACHING AND LEARNING REPORT</u>
Martha Rice reported on the 14 th District Legislative Dinner that provided opportunity for local board members and superintendents to meet with elected representatives and senator candidates and	<u>REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD</u>

<p>discuss legislative issues represented in this valley. She also reported that Representatives Jim Clements and Mary Skinner have accepted an invitation from the board to attend a breakfast meeting, providing opportunity for the board to share specific issues related to the district.</p>	<p><u>REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD</u> (Continued)</p>																		
<p>None this month.</p>	<p><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u></p>																		
<p>The Consent Agenda was presented to the board for approval. For the benefit of the viewing audience, Cece Mahre, Associate Superintendent, provided background information about the two 2006-07 Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998 Grant Application Renewals, one for the Yakima Valley Technical Skills Center and one for the Yakima School District Career and Technical Education Programs presented for approval. She emphasized the importance of these annual requests for renewal of federal funds to provide vocational programs for students.</p> <p>It was moved by Walt Ranta and seconded by John Vornbrock to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Said motion carried 5-0.</p> <p>1) Approval of Minutes for the Following Board Meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - November 2, 2006 - November 3, 2006 - November 21, 2006 - November 30, 2006 <p>2) Notification of Approval of Warrants</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="256 1137 1084 1354"> <tr> <td>Wt. #152034-152540</td> <td>General Fund</td> <td>\$1,159,292.23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wt. #152541-152950</td> <td>General Fund</td> <td>\$ 902,584.58</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wt. #22679-22759</td> <td>ASB</td> <td>\$ 55,917.05</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wt. #3762-3763</td> <td>Capital Projects</td> <td>\$ 21,372.99</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wt. #152951-153041</td> <td>General Fund</td> <td>\$1,814,651.14</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Payroll Elect. Transfer 11/27/06</td> <td></td> <td>\$7,613,320.82</td> </tr> </table> <p>3) Approval of Financials - November 2006</p> <p>4) Approval of Resolution #02.06.07 – Authorized Signatory</p> <p>5) Approval of the 2006-07 Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998 Grant Application Renewal for the Yakima Valley Technical Skills Center Career and Technical Education Program</p> <p>6) Approval of the 2006-07 Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 1998 Grant Application Renewal for the Yakima School District Career and Technical Education Program</p> <p>7) Approval of Personnel Actions</p>	Wt. #152034-152540	General Fund	\$1,159,292.23	Wt. #152541-152950	General Fund	\$ 902,584.58	Wt. #22679-22759	ASB	\$ 55,917.05	Wt. #3762-3763	Capital Projects	\$ 21,372.99	Wt. #152951-153041	General Fund	\$1,814,651.14	Payroll Elect. Transfer 11/27/06		\$7,613,320.82	<p><u>CONSENT AGENDA</u></p>
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	<p><u>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT</u></p>																		
<p>Scott Izutsu, Assistant Superintendent of Business Support Services, provided a briefing of the 2005-2006 Fiscal Year-End Report, previously presented in detail at the November 3 board meeting. A review of highlights for the year included the implementation of the Night School Program at Perry Technical. The majority of funding is spent in the teaching area, with teaching activities at 64.4% and teaching support at 8.3%. Program expenditures show Student Assistance Programs at a higher percentage than like-size districts. Support services expenses included an upgrade of DSL's, phone systems, and the infrastructure. Instructional program costs make up approximately one-half of Central Administration costs. An analysis of financial resources broken out by major programs was provided. Vice President John Vornbrock noted that board members are not compensated for their duties. Additionally, bond and levy expenses to the district come out of the board budget funds. Opportunity for questions from board was provided. The 2005-2006 Fiscal Year-End Report may be accessed through the Financial Services page on the district's public website at www.yakimaschools.org.</p>	<p><u>2005-2006 Fiscal Year-End Report</u></p>																		

<p>Vickie Ybarra, Board President, provided a brief overview of Policy Governance (PG), a governance form being increasingly used by corporate businesses and, now, school boards. She indicated the school board has an obligation to the community, to assess the needs of students, and reflect the community’s values in the goals of district. Some members of this board have been interested in PG for some time and had opportunity to attend PG workshops at this year’s WSSDA Conference. The board agreed in September to begin the transition. A three-day study session beginning November 30 provided formal training and opportunity to draft the policies presented for First Reading at this meeting. The goal is for Second Reading and Approval at an upcoming business meeting followed by immediate transition to Policy Governance. Community linkages will be established to provide input to the board. President Ybarra indicated this is an important investment in the future of the district.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Policy Type: 1000.1.0 <i>Ends</i> 1000.1.0 <i>Placeholder Ends</i> - Policy Type: 1000.2.0 <i>Executive Limitations</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1000.2.0 <i>Global Executive Constraint</i> 1000.2.1 <i>Treatment of Students and Their Parents or Guardians</i> 1000.2.2 <i>Working Environment of Staff</i> 1000.2.3 <i>Financial Condition and Activities</i> 1000.2.4 <i>Financial Planning/Budgeting</i> 1000.2.5 <i>Asset Protection</i> 1000.2.6 <i>Facilities</i> 1000.2.7 <i>Emergency Superintendent</i> 1000.2.8 <i>Compensation and Benefits</i> 1000.2.9 <i>Communication and Support to the Board</i> - Policy Type: 1000.3.0 <i>Governance Process</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1000.3.0 <i>Global Governance Commitment</i> 1000.3.1 <i>Governing Style</i> 1000.3.2 <i>Board Job Description</i> 1000.3.3 <i>Agenda Planning</i> 1000.3.4 <i>Board President’s Role</i> 1000.3.5 <i>Board Members’ Code of Conduct</i> 1000.3.6 <i>Board Committee Principles</i> 1000.3.7 <i>Board Committee Structure</i> 1000.3.8 <i>Cost of Governance</i> 1000.3.9 <i>Process for Addressing Board Member Violations</i> - Policy Type: 1000.4.0 <i>Board-Superintendent Linkage</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1000.4.0 <i>Global Governance-Management Connection</i> 1000.4.1 <i>Unity of Control</i> 1000.4.2 <i>Accountability of the Superintendent</i> 1000.4.3 <i>Delegation to the Superintendent</i> 1000.4.4 <i>Monitoring Superintendent Performance</i> 	<p><u>First Reading – Governance Policies</u></p>
<p>Becky Scholl, Executive Director of Student Services, presented Policy <u>5222 <i>Evaluation of Staff</i></u> for Second Reading and Approval. The policy was presented for First Read November 22. She indicated the policy change is brought forward by Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Rick Doehle. He added that the reasons for change is based on a need to align board policy with current language of negotiating agreements, and that it does not affect certified group in the district. The policy was presented for superintendents to review and revise and subsequently for the board to review and revise, as well as being shared with representatives of the YEA, YPA, YDA and PTSA for their review and suggestions.</p> <p>Martha Rice approved and Walt Ranta seconded the approval of Policy <u>5222 <i>Evaluation of Staff</i></u>. Said motion carried 5-0.</p>	<p><u>Second Reading and Approval of Policy:</u> - <u>5222 <i>Evaluation of Staff</i></u></p>

<p>Jack Irion, Deputy Superintendent, presented the approval of the Interscholastic Cooperative Agreements for Swim Programs for the 2006-07 and 2007-08 School Years. He indicated the agreement is related to a request brought last July for a similar agreement, but that this one is for different schools; namely, East Valley, Sunnyside and Toppenish. Cooperative agreements schools are able to use the same facility, but not compete together. In regards to the swim cooperative, the Yakima School District will pay pool rental, coaches' salaries and regular season transportation. Each cooperative school will pay \$400 per student and provide resources for food, transportation and lodging for any post-season participation. Dr. Irion indicated the board had opportunity to review the proposed agreement prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Martha Rice approved and Walt Ranta seconded the approval of Interscholastic Cooperative Agreement for the Swim Programs for the 2006-07 and 2007-08 School Years. Said motion carried 5-0.</p>	<p><u>Approval of Interscholastic Cooperative Agreements for the Swim Programs for the 2006-07 and 2007-08 School Years</u></p>
<p>President Ybarra announced the second opportunity for public comment. Steve McKenna, YEA Bargaining Chair and Vice President, addressed the board at the microphone regarding the instructional percent of the budget and building administrative costs compared to central administration costs. Scott Izutsu clarified that the percentage reflects staff to support math programs and other instructional needs, and that much of the funding is grant-driven with requirements to spend dollars in specific areas. Mr. McKenna also asked that the district consider using wireless systems in schools to address technology needs.</p>	<p><u>SECOND OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p>
<p>There being no further need for discussion or business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.</p>	<p><u>ADJOURNMENT</u></p>

Signature on File
Vickie Ybarra
Board President

Signature on File
Benjamin A. Soria, Superintendent/
Secretary to the Board