

# **BOARD BUSINESS BRIEFING . December 15, 2009**

Yakima Public Schools District Number 7

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Yakima Public Schools met December 15, 2009, at Central Services Conference Rooms A and B, for their monthly business meeting, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance. A brief summary of the meeting follows.

**Oath of Office** - Dr. Beraza administered the Oath of Office to Jim Scoggins, Board Position 1, and Walt Ranta, Board Position 2. The swearing in was a repeat of the Oath of Office given at the December 4, 2009, board meeting.

**Reorganization of the Board** - Following nominations and board voting for this annual process, Vickie Ybarra was elected President, and John Vornbrock Vice President.

**Acknowledgment of Accomplishments/Recognitions** - Names listed on Page 2

- Fall Sports
- Extended Graduation
- Washington Association for Skilled and Technical Sciences (WASTS)

## **REPORTS**

**Teaching and Learning- P-12 Mathematics Report** - Cece Mahre, Associate Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, reported this year's criteria included effective use of data with work to identify a district-level standard assessment, aligned curriculum and assessments including feedback about what is working/what is not, CMP transition and implementation of HOLT and Rocket Math curriculum, and embedded professional development. Barge-Lincoln and Garfield elementary schools have been selected for a math pilot through the University of Washington; categorical dollars will provide funding for the related professional development.

**Members of the Board** - Walt Ranta reported on the board's legislative breakfast meeting with Senator King and Representative Johnson, which provided opportunity to discuss the needs of the district, especially as related to state funding reductions. Martha Rice reported on the board members' and superintendent's attendance at the Annual WSSDA Conference.

**Superintendent Update** - Dr. Beraza emphasized the work the district is doing in the area of math and referred to the math pilot that will reach beyond the two pilot schools to teachers and students at other elementary schools.

## **BOARD POLICY ACTIVITY**

**Comments from the Public on Agenda Items** - A district employee commented on student placement and Simms math books.

**Approved: Reports/Board Reports** - The board heard and discussed the reports over the past month at regular Friday morning meetings.

- Report 1000.2.9 Communication and Support to the Board
- Board Report 1000.4.2 Accountability of the Superintendent
- Board Report 1000.4.3 Delegation to the Superintendent

## **OTHER**

**Consent Agenda:** Standard monthly business items approved: Approval of Minutes, Notification of Approval of Warrants, Approval of Financial and Approval of Personnel Actions.

**Presentation: 2008-09 Year-End Fiscal Report** - Scott Izutsu, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, provided a brief overview of the report, which was previewed and discussed at the December 4 meeting. The report will be posted to the district's website and hard copies are available through Mr. Izutsu's office. Dr. Beraza shared that, regardless of the state budget impact, which will not be determined until the end of the upcoming legislative session, reductions will be necessary. All programs will be evaluated and reductions kept as far from the learner as possible.

**Approved: Resolution 07.09.10 Selection of New Construction in Lieu of Modernization Option for Eisenhower High School Project** - This action item meets OSPI's requirement. Details of the action were presented to the board at their December 4 meeting.

**Approved: Board Attendance at the 2010 Federal Relations Network (FRN) Annual Conference in Washington, D.C., January 28-February 3, 2010** - Martha Rice reported the FRN allows opportunity to set meetings with federal-level representatives to share impacts of federal decisions on our students.

**Second Opportunity for Comments from the Public** - Four district employees and two community members spoke in support of the Yakima Association of Paraeducators (YAP). One community member expressed his desire to be employed by the district as a paraeducator. Other topics brought before the board included settlement of contracts, administrative wages, the T&L survey, consultant fees, placement of Davis staff and students during construction, and DIBELS assessment.

## **RECOGNITIONS**

### **Fall Sports**

#### **Eisenhower High School:**

##### *Football: 5th in State*

Humberto Acevedo	Joe Fuerst	Asya Morioka
James Akers	Eliseo Gallegos	Alexander Murchie
Jesus Andrade	Kaleb Garza	Carl Nation
Rogelio Andrade	Naiden Gonzalez	Matthew Neuharth
Andre Arcand	Kyler Lee Hernandez	Daniel Ortega
Travis Bossert-Deaton	Omar Hernandez	Dylan Pieti (Hudson)
Keanen Brewer	Jacob Herr	Andrew Redding
Matthew Briceno	Jhonathan Herrera	Derek Rowden
Cody Clayton	Seth Kline	Isaac Sarate
Michael Covington	Mikal Livingston	Bruce Smith
Luis DeLeon	James Lopez	Abel Soto
Jason Easter	Dustin Martin	Ryan Watson
Michael Esparza	Antonio Martinez	Devin Woodie
Tony French	Derek Molineux	

Coach: Dan Eyman

##### *Girls' Cross Country: 7th in State*

Berenice Penaloza  
Mayra Chavez  
Katherine Bravo  
Kristen Sheffield  
Kirsten Kaplan  
Sydney Raymond  
Lindsay Thomas

##### *Boys' Cross Country: 4th in State*

Timothy Cummings  
German Silva  
Bryan Simison  
Santos Vargas  
Delfino Dominguez  
Peter Troianello  
Grey Peone

##### *Boys' Cross Country: 7th in State*

Timothy Cummings

Coach: Phil English

##### *Girls' Swim: 8th in State*

Emilie Pleger      50 Meter Freestyle  
100 Meter Breast Stroke

Coach: Rick Alderson

### **Extended Graduation**

Anissa Botello, Davis	Miguel Sedano, Davis
Brandyn Roy Button, Eisenhower	Briton Solis, Davis
Brandon Johnson, Eisenhower	Ysenia Yanith Solis-Meza, Eisenhower
Ana Laura Mendoza Chavez, Eisenhower	Rayanne Nicole Wassink, Eisenhower
Rebecca Jean Quesada, Eisenhower	Sarah Yunker, Eisenhower

### **Washington Association for Skilled and Technical Sciences (WASTS)**

Katie Hall	Jewelry/IB/Fine Arts	CTE Teacher of the Year
Dave Herron	Sheet Metal Fabrication	CTE New Teacher of the Year