

QUILLAYUTE VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 402  
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, April 10, 2007,  
6:00 P.M.  
**Minutes**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Rick Gale called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM, and led the pledge of allegiance. Present were Rick Gale, Sharon Penn, Tina Bergstrom, Student Representatives Julia Giles and Maegan Leppell, Superintendent Frank Walter, and Recording Secretary Julie Knobel.

**II. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES OF:**

- Regular Meeting of March 27, 2007

Tina Bergstrom moved to approve the meeting minutes of March 27, 2007, and Sharon Penn seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**III. ADOPT AGENDA**

Tina Bergstrom moved to adopt the agenda. Sharon Penn seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Personnel Actions

- 1. Hiring of:
  - Showandah Terrill, Forks High School Annual Advisor effective March 1st

Sharon Penn moved to approve the consent agenda. Tina Bergstrom seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

**V. REPORTS**

A. Financial Report

- 1. Capital Projects Fund Budget Extension for Fiscal Year 2006-2007  
Superintendent Walter reported that the Capital Projects Fund Budget Extension reflects the entire financing of the Siemens project through Banc of America for \$337,185. It also reflects the PUD energy savings incentive of \$30,420.
- 2. Debt Service Fund Budget Extension for Fiscal Year 2006-2007  
Superintendent Walter reported that Debt Service Fund Budget Extension reflects the funds transferred from the General Fund into the Debt service fund for making payments on the Siemen's project.

B. Legislative Report

Superintendent Walter reported that there is still one bill alive in the state legislature which could affect graduation requirements. The named ESSB 6023 is in regards to altering graduation requirements for student who do not pass the Math WASL. Student who do not pass the Math WASL would still be able to graduate if they had high enough scores on the Math SAT, the AP math test, grades from math classes, or based upon a portfolio of the student's math coursework.

Superintendent Walter reported that HJR 4204, the bill which would allow for a simple majority to pass levies has passed the house. If approved by the senate, and signed by the governor, the bill would go out to voters in order to amend the state constitution.

C. Board Member Reports

Maegan Leppell reported that Fastpitch has had many game cancellations due to weather this year. She hopes that they will be able to get a game in this week.

Julia Giles reported on her trip to the Service-Based Learning conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She reported that there were over 2,500 students in attendance. A wide variety of projects were presented, including a \$5 million dollar project sponsored by Farm Credit. She reported that her favorite presentation was by a group of 6 kids who made a deal with Habitat for Humanity to renovate 10 houses in 10 years, and to raise \$100,000 for each house. The idea was to change the entire city block. Julia Giles was most impressed by the students, who ran the project with little help from adults. She reported that she was inspired by the project to do her Senior project with Habitat for Humanity here in Forks.

#### D. Superintendent's Report

##### 1. Academic Achievement Award from OSPI

Superintendent Walter reported that the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) provides academic achievement awards to schools and districts who decrease by 10% the number of students who do not pass the WASL tests in a given subject area. Superintendent Walter read aloud a congratulatory letter from Terry Bergeson, the Superintendent of Public Instruction. QVSD received the award for the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Writing, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Writing, 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading, and 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Writing. Superintendent Walter extended his congratulations and gratitude to the staff and students for the hard work and solid gains on last year on the WASL.

##### 2. Letter from Kevin Van De Wege regarding Fair and Equitable Funding of School Employees

Superintendent Walter reported that Representative Kevin Van De Wege wrote a letter of response to the school board regarding the resolution passed at the previous meeting on fair and equitable funding for schools. He reported that the bill which would correct funding inequities did not make it out of committee before the deadline, and so he was not able to vote on it. His letter went on to discuss other increases in funding to schools that are in the House budget proposal.

##### 3. OSPI decision letter resolving the audit finding

Superintendent Walter reported that the district received a letter from OSPI resolving the audit finding for the 2003-2004 school year. The audit finding stated that there were not adequate internal controls over documentation supporting teacher education and experience. OSPI's letter stated that they accepted our new procedures to insure that errors are not repeated. The errors resulted in an overpayment of \$22,278, which will be reflected in our apportionment after the 30 day appeal period is over. QVSD will reduce our payment to Quileute Tribal School by the same amount, as the documentation missing in the audit finding was in regards to Quileute Tribal School employees.

##### 4. WSSDA Regional Meeting, April 21<sup>st</sup>, Joyce

Superintendent Walter asked each board member to let us know if they will be attending the Washington State School Director's Association Regional Meeting in Joyce on April 21<sup>st</sup> along with Superintendent-elect Diana Reaume. Tina Bergstrom and Rick Gale indicated that they will attend. Superintendent Walter reported that he will be attending an informational meeting for Insight School of Washington in Port Angeles.

##### 5. Thank you from United Way

Superintendent Walter reported that the district received a thank you letter, and a certificate from United Way for contributions made to United Way this year. Superintendent Walter expressed gratitude to all district staff for contributing to this organization which makes such a dramatic impact on children and families in our community.

Superintendent Walter also reported that the Middle School was holding a WASL information meeting on Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. Students who bring a parent to the meeting will be awarded a prize, and entered into a drawing for a larger prize. The middle school utilized ConnectEd, the district's new automated calling service, to contact parents regarding the meeting.

## VI. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Draft Proposal of 2007-2008 School Calendar

Superintendent Walter presented three different options for the 2007-2008 calendar. The options were developed by the FEA, and displayed in the buildings for all staff members to vote on. The three options were a standard calendar which is similar to this year's calendar, an option with an extended winter break, and an option with a shorter winter break and a mid-winter break in February. Superintendent Walter will do additional work on the calendar with the FEA and district staff, make a recommendation to the board, and ask for approval.

**B. School Closure Makeup Day**

Superintendent Walter researched all of the options available to the district in regards to making up or waiving the outstanding school closure makeup day, and concluded that the district needed to make-up the day. Our school closure days did not correspond with the State of Emergencies declared for Clallam County, and so we were not eligible for a waiver. Superintendent Walter asked the board to approved a school closure makeup day on Monday June 18<sup>th</sup>. The district is not going to change graduation day, and so Seniors will be responsible to attend school for one day after graduation. Superintendent Walter stated that he would work with the High School Administration to schedule that day for Seniors. Tina Bergstrom moved to approve June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2007 as a school closure makeup day. Sharon Penn seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

**C. Resolution No. 6-06/07 “Capital Projects Fund and Debt Service Fund Budget Extensions”**

Sharon Penn moved to adopt Resolution No. 6-06/07 “Capital Projects Fund and Debt Service Fund Budget Extensions.” Tina Bergstrom seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

**D. Resolution No. 7-06/07 “Transfer of Funds to Debt Service Fund:**

Tina Bergstrom moved to adopt Resolution No. 7-06/07 “Transfer of Funds to Debt Service Fund.” Sharon Penn seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

**E. First reading of Board Policy 2255 “Alternative Learning Experience Program – Insight School of Washington”**

Superintendent Walter reported that the proposed board policy 2255 was specific to Insight School of Washington only. He stated that this was a more transparent way to make policy for the three alternative learning options in Quillayute Valley School District. He stated that we would prepare additional policies for Home School Plus and Forks Alternative School.

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The board retired to executive session at 7:23 to discuss bargaining and personnel.

**VIII. WRAP-UP**

The board returned to regular session at 7:48 with no further action.

**IX. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 PM. The next regular board meeting will be held on April 24, 2007 at 6 PM.

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Board Secretary

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Board Chairman

***Approved at the April 24, 2007 Regular School Board Meeting. Signatures on file in the District Office.***