



LA CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101 BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**CORRECTED**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

**Tuesday, January 24, 2023**  
**7:00 PM**  
**HS Library and via Zoom**

**\*\*\*BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH\*\*\***

Board Members Present: Todd Jones, Eric Lindberg, Win Muffett, Dorri Oldham, Craig Whited

Board Members Absent:

Superintendent: Peter Rosenkranz

Administrators: Michelle O'Neil, Matt Johnson, Greg Hall, Michael Nolan, Nancy Carner, Dave McIntosh, Lauri Landerholm, Gary McGarvie

Staff and Guests: Nicole Andrell, Connie Majors, Wendy Chord, Katie Jensen, Myrna Leija, Justine Stimmel, Josh Soske, Kris Soske, Becky Rembisz, Kris McKinney, Jennifer Hall, Joyce Cooper, James O'Neil, Elda Zelkanovic, Gail Wolz, Andrew Helm, Scott Holt, Heather Grotte

Minutes taken by: Tammy Lichliter

**PART 1.0 – CALL TO ORDER**

- 1.1 Mr. Muffett called the regular meeting to order with the flag salute at 7:00 p.m.
- 1.2 Peter Rosenkranz welcomed and swore in newly appointed Board Director for Area 4, Dorri Oldham. Dorri was appointed the new board director at the January 10, 2023 special meeting of the board.
- 1.2 Welcomed guests
- 1.3 Corrections and Changes: None
- 1.4 Audience and Board Communication

Say something positive:

Mr. Lindberg commented that he missed the board interviews due to a family event, but he thanked everyone that applied and he welcomed Dorri Oldham to the board. He then thanked Todd Jones for his service on the board. Todd's resignation is bittersweet. Mr. Whited echoed Eric's comments welcoming Dorri. He also thanked Todd for his service. He has called him on many occasions and his guidance was appreciated. He also thanked Pete for his work on the stadium as well as the many volunteers, specifically Josh Soske. He commented that the plumbing will be taking place this weekend and he is glad that students will once again be offered work experience while helping with the plumbing on the stadium project. Mrs. Oldham said that she was pleased to see in

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the HS board report Dominic Stub was highlighted for being in 2 honor bands. She commented that she does not get to see all of the activities that students are a part of and that she loves that this was highlighted. Mr. Jones thanked the 4 people who applied for the board position. He is also pleased to see that the Core+ Construction Program is being used in the high school. Sixty percent of our students do not go on to college and he believes that encouraging students to go into the skilled trades is important as they offer many great opportunities. He then commented that he is pleased that Lauri Landerholm is taking on the Assistant Superintendent role in addition to the MS Principal role. He commented that she will make a great superintendent someday. Lastly he thanked the community, district staff and all of the many volunteers as they are what makes the La Center community special. Mr. Muffett echoed the comments regarding the volunteers and the stadium work. One of his first memories of the district is how he met our former superintendent Mark Mansell. They were both working on the stadium project together. The spirit of volunteerism has been and is currently alive in La Center. Mr. Rosenkranz said that there are a lot of amazing things that are going on in the district. He pointed out specifically, ES watershed monitoring, MS video announcements, HS students working with local contractors to build tiny homes and Unified Sports. The stands were full this weekend to root on our kids. It shows how much the community supports our kids. He then thanked Mr. Jones for serving 13 years on the school board. He also thanked each board member to show his appreciation for all of them. He said that each of them focus on our kids and are family friendly which is at the core of our district values. Mr. Soske thanked the board for supporting the community and our students and for being good stewards of the district's finances. They support the future of our children. Mrs. Chord acknowledged Todd Jones. She said that there were some rough times over the years, but she really appreciated working alongside him during her time on the board. She then thanked all of the board members for their service. Justine Stimmel also thanked the board saying that she appreciates what they do. She said that it takes great courage and a lot of time and energy to serve. She also acknowledged Todd Jones for serving as long as he did. Mr. Muffett added that he and the board really appreciate all of the gifts they are given for board appreciation but that the handwritten notes and cards from the students are really special

#### Public Input on Non Agenda Items:

Justine Stimmel spoke about her gratitude for the school board and thanked them for doing the right thing regarding the discrimination complaint against the district.

Myrna Leija thanked the board for having the courage to do what is right and she also thanked them for their service.

### **PART 2.0 – CONSENT AGENDA –**

**Motion 22/23-20** made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Whited to approve the consent agenda as follows:

#### 2.1 Approval of Minutes

- A. [Minutes of Board Meeting held December 13, 2022](#)
- B. [Minutes of Board Special Meeting held January 10, 2023](#)

#### 2.2 Vouchers

- A. Payroll for this month not to exceed \$1,850,000.00
- B. [GF warrant #100507 in the amt. of \\$23,000.00](#)
- C. [GF warrants 100508-100561 in the amt. of \\$266,021.38](#)

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- D. [ASB warrants #11040-11044 in the amt. of \\$5,249.60](#)
- E. [CF warrants #2092-2094 in the amt. of \\$15,845.09](#)
- F. [GF ACH warrants #2223000134-222300155 in the amt. of \\$7,637.17](#)
- G. [ASB ACH warrants #222300132-222300133 in the amt. of \\$45.26](#)
- H. [BMO GF warrants #100562-100563 in the amt. of \\$3,804.72](#)
- I. [BMO ASB warrant #11045 in the amt. of \\$8,330.60](#)
- J. [GF warrants #100564-100602 in the amt. of \\$103,999.82](#)
- K. [ASB warrants #11046-11054 in the amt. of 8,913.54](#)
- L. [CF warrant #2095 in the amt. of \\$26,933.41](#)
- M. [GF ACH warrants #222300158-222300169 in the amt. of \\$6,324.34](#)
- N. [ASB ACH warrants 222300156-222300157 in the amt. of \\$286.37](#)
- O. [GF warrants #100603-100644 in the amt. of \\$214,327.03](#)
- P. [ASB warrants #11055-11060 in the amt. of \\$3,687.79](#)
- Q. [GF ACH warrants #222300171-222300192 in the amt. of \\$19,391.32](#)
- R. [ASB ACH warrant #222300170 \\$52.54](#)
- S. [BMO GF warrants #100645-100646 in the amt. of \\$6,542.94](#)
- T. [BMO ASB warrants 11061-11062 in the amt. of \\$1,613.93](#)

### 2.3 Personnel

- A. Certified
- B. Classified
  - 1. Nitoshia Fletcher ES Para I Transfer from ALC to SLC Classroom effective 1/3/23
  - 2. Jennifer Nolan, ES Para I effective 1/6/23
- C. Athletics, Extracurricular
  - 1. Navid Padashi, resignation HS Asst. Wrestling Coach effective 1/3/23
- D. Non-Represented
  - 1. Lauri Landerholm, Assistant Superintendent/Middle School Principal effective 1/3/23
  - 2. Dave McIntosh, Middle School Principal/Middle School Associate Principal effective 1/3/23

### 2.4 Donations

- 1. Kaci Campbell, Wildcat costume to HS Cheer Team
- 2. Cheryl Welch, \$200 to school lunch fund

### 2.5 Other Items for Board Review

- A. Reports
  - 1. [Superintendent](#)
  - 2. [Elementary School](#)
  - 3. [Middle School](#)
  - 4. [High School](#)
  - 5. [Academy](#)
  - 6. [Director of Athletics and Extracurricular Activities](#)
  - 7. [Director of Student Services](#)
  - 8. [Director of Teaching and Learning](#)
  - 9. [Library- None this month](#)
  - 10. Enrollment Reports- [Head Count, FTE](#)
  - 11. [Monthly Financial Reports – Budget Status, Forecast 5](#)
- B. [Highly Capable Program Plan 22.23 School Year](#)  
[Highly Capable Guideline](#)

**PART 3.0 – LINKAGE**

- 3.1 [Elementary School Showcase](#) – Mike Nolan and Greg Hall presented a slide show to discuss what is happening at the elementary school. They discussed Staff PD, Transitional Kindergarten and Building Improvements.

**PART 4.0 – ASSURANCE OF ORGANIZATIONAL PERFORMANCE (Monitoring Reports)**

**Motion 22/23-21** made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Lindberg to approve EL-1 Monitoring Report as written:

- 4.1 [EL-1 Monitoring Report Board Relations](#)

Motion Carried Unanimously

**PART 5.0 – WRITTEN POLICY**

**Motion 22/23-22** made by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Mr. Jones to approve second reading of policy 3115 and procedure 3115P as written:

- 5.1 Second reading of Policy [3115](#) and Procedure [3115P](#) - Students Experiencing Homelessness: Enrollment Rights and Services

Motion Carried Unanimously

**Motion 22/23-23** made by Mr. Jones seconded by Mr. Whited to approve second reading of policy 3211 as written and procedure 3211P with corrections and board-requested additions as well as the addition of /Legal Guardian wherever “parent” is listed in the policy or procedure (ex. Parent/Legal Guardian):

- 5.2 Second reading of Policy [3211](#) and Procedure [3211P](#) Gender-Inclusive Schools- with 1 correction and board-requested additions regarding parent communication to the procedure highlighted in green.

Motion Carried Unanimously

**PART 6.0 – OTHER ITEMS NEEDING BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION**

**Motion 22/23-24** made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Oldham to approve Option 1 as the calendar for the 23/24 school year:

- 6.1 Board Approval of School Year Calendar- 23/24 School Year

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Motion Carried Unanimously

6.2 Easement Request – Kahn, Elementary Parcel – The board discussed that a community member would like an easement on school district property to allow access to their parcel so that it is not land locked. The current access to their property is not useable at times due to flooding in the wetlands. The property being requested for the easement is not in an area that the school could use or develop for student use now or in the future, but could allow for students to more easily access the wetlands.

Josh Soske commented that he believes that the easement should be granted for the good of allowing this community member access to their property, but that 2 things should be considered. There should be community access available to the trail that is being put in to the wetlands and that the easement should stipulate that it could not be used for access a subdivided development now or in the future. Mr. Rosenkranz will keep the board updated as more information is available. He added that the community member would be responsible for paying any fees that would be necessary for the easement.

6.3 Board Member Resignation – [Todd Jones, Director Area 2](#) Mr. Jones entered into the record that he would be vacating his position on the board as of midnight tonight as mentioned in his resignation letter. He then commented that he is proud of the board’s accomplishments over the years, specifically the work on the stadium and the beautiful new middle school. He added that the things that have been done were because of the support of the community.

6.4 Future Agenda Items (**Correction in bold**)

When the board accepts Mr. Jones’ resignation at the February 28 board meeting, the process for replacing him will begin. Post cards announcing the search will be sent out to district residents. Only people that live in district 2 will be able to apply. The board hopes to interview for a replacement at the March Board Meeting.

Mr. Muffett commented that the school board hearing tasked the board with looking at the facts of the issue of teachers asking students for their pronouns. Other facts have arisen as a result of collecting facts for the hearing. Twenty families have reported to the board that their students were told that it was not optional for students to provide their pronouns. These families are alleging that their student(s) were harassed or intimidated by a teacher or teachers to provide their pronouns. Mr. Muffett said that he had 3 of those complaints in writing **and he gave them to** Mr. Rosenkranz. Mr. Jones added that it is a violation of district policy for anyone to be “bullied” by an authority figure. The board would like the district to look into these complaints of harassment and to investigate if these kids were being treated differently as a result.

6.5 **Board Schedule**

Board/Student Linkage February 14, 2023 8:30 a.m., Locations TBD  
Board Meeting February 28, 2023, 7:00 p.m., HS Library

**PART 7.0 – EXECUTIVE SESSION**

7.1 The board adjourned to executive session at 8:32 p.m., under RCW 42.30.110 (g) to discuss the superintendent’s formal evaluation. It was expected to last 35 minutes. At 9:07, Nancy Carner announced in the hallway that the board needed an additional 5 minutes to be added to the executive session. The board meeting was called back to order at 9:12 p.m.

**PART 8.0 – ADJOURNMENT at 9:12 p.m.**

As there were no further items for discussion or action, the board adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m.

8.1 Signing of Board Documents

8.2 [Review Quarterly Self-Assessment](#)

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Board Secretary- Peter Rosenkranz

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Board Chair – Win Muffett

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Board Member-Eric Lindberg

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Board Member-Todd Jones

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Board Member – Craig Whited

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Board Member- Dorri Oldham