



LA CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

7:00 PM

HS Commons and Zoom

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

Board Members Absent:

Superintendent: Peter Rosenkranz

Administrators: Matt Johnson, Greg Hall, Michael Nolan, Nancy Carner, Dave McIntosh, Gary McGarvie, Carrie Lindsey

Staff and Guests: Malerie Plaughter, Erin Smelser, Missy Fant, Andrea Austad, Amanda Miller, Kelly Sullivan, Matt Rembisz, Sasha and Rod Stryker, Bryan Kast, Dean Muonio, Dean Lee, Diane Suomi, Nathan Wilfong, Katie Jensen, Melissa Flatt, Myrna Leija, Ryan Sarkkinen, Kristine Sarkkinen, Justine Stimmel, Jenny Boyle, Elda Hyde, Derek Shaffer, Victoria Ferrer, Monty Winton, Kristen Caillier, Skip Carlson, Jason Cuthbert, Nicole Andrell, Kris Soske, Eric Hoppe, Josh Soske, Gail Wolz, Kelsey Shaffer, Buffy Spargur, Tim Spargur, Lois Englund, June Duncan, Susan Shufeldt, Bonnie Ruiz, Leah Araya, Jamie Clark, Gary Wilson, Hannah Joy

Minutes taken by: Tammy Lichliter

The meeting began with the State of the District Meeting led by Superintendent Rosenkranz. The focus of the meeting was Reading, Writing, Math, Science – Staying in our lane.

After the State of the District meeting, the 7th and 8th grade choir led by Rhonda Catchpole, performed the United States National Anthem.

PART 1.0 – CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Mr. Muffett called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1.2 Welcomed guests

1.3 Corrections and Changes: None

1.4 Audience and Board Communication

Say something positive:

Mr. Lindberg thanked Josh Soske for everything that he has done for the district, not just for the stadium. He added that he is great at attracting volunteers as well. He also pointed out that he liked the car analogy in Michelle O’Neil’s board report. The car going into the lake is easy, but getting the

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car out and in working order is hard. This referred to student learning during and after the covid lockdowns. Mr. Whited said that Mr. Rosenkranz's board updates are very helpful. It helps the board stay connected with current issues at school. He also pointed out the achievements made by the high school wrestling team as well as band students. It is good to see kids excelling. He also loves seeing principals connect with students. He pointed out Mr. Nolan reading to students as noted in the elementary board report. Mrs. Oldham thanked Mr. Rosenkranz for the State of the District meeting and acknowledged the great performance of the 7th and 8th grade choir prior to the meeting. Mr. Muffett gave a shout out to Jake Johnson for his work with the wrestling team and Malachi Wallway for being state champ! He also pointed out the team had wrestlers in 2nd 4th and 6th place at state. He added that the team also brought home a team trophy! He then added that Dylan Dempsey has sang the National Anthem at several home basketball games and does a fantastic job. Mr. Rosenkranz echoed the comments about Josh Soske. He said that he cannot thank him enough for all of the work he has done for our district. He added that the stadium work has been building momentum and it has taken volunteers to build it!

Public Input on Non Agenda Items:

Buffy Sparger – Spoke about her appreciation for the board and superintendent for their handling of the pronoun issue. She also spoke about the staff that signed onto the civil rights complaint stating that it is their job is to educate and that school is not a place for them to voice their beliefs.

Tim Sparger – Spoke about his appreciation for the board and superintendent for their handling of the pronoun issue. He also spoke about the staff that signed onto the civil rights complaint stating that it is their job is to educate and that school is not a place for them to voice their beliefs.

Justine Stimmel – Spoke about parental rights and that teachers should educate students and not force their beliefs on students. She also spoke about the culture war plaguing our schools in this state.

Jamie Clark complemented the board for their handling of the civil discourse at the last board meeting. He said they did a great job of showing respect to all sides. He added that diversity does not see diversity of viewpoints, equity does not result in equity for all and inclusion does not have solutions or include everyone. He added the board is doing a great job.

Gary Wilson thanked Superintendent Rosenkranz for respecting all opinions. Can we all agree to disagree? He added that it seems like kids are being taught what to think, not how to think and that science supports that there are only 2 genders. He added that teachers need to get back to teaching academics.

Hannah Joy said that this district is a model for showing schools of how to deal with suicidal students. She works in trauma intervention and wanted to thank the board and say how she appreciates that they could prevent a suicide by notifying parents.

Myrna Leija told the board that they are role models and that she appreciates that the district is partnering with industry leaders so students are job ready. She said she appreciates that the district partners with parents as well. Kids belong to the parents, not to the schools.

PART 2.0 – CONSENT AGENDA –

Motion 22/23-25

made by Mr. Whited, seconded by Mr. Lindberg to approve the consent agenda with the removal of and correction to 2.1A as follows:

2.1 Approval of Minutes

A. [Minutes of Board Meeting January 24, 2023](#)

Mr. Muffett asked that the board meeting minutes (2.1A) be corrected under section 6.4 to state that he

did hand Mr. Rosenkranz 3 written complaints at the meeting, not that he would give him the written complaints. The minutes will be corrected and approved at the March board meeting.

2.2 Vouchers

- A. Payroll for this month not to exceed \$1,850,000.00
- B. [GF warrants #100647-100698 in the amt. of \\$205,819.60](#)
- C. [ASB warrants #11063-11069 in the amt. of \\$14,338.73](#)
- D. [CF warrants #2096-2097 in the amt. of \\$9,333.92](#)
- E. [GF ACH warrants #222300195-222300210 in the amt. of \\$14,359.58](#)
- F. [ASB ACH warrants #222300193-222300194 in the amt. of \\$118.85](#)
- G. [GF warrants #100699-100760 in the amt. of \\$317,206.16](#)
- H. [ASB warrants #11070-11083 in the amt. of \\$8,354.58](#)
- I. [CF warrants #2098-2099 in the amt. of \\$8,048.70](#)
- J. [GF ACH warrants #222300212-222300233 in the amt. of \\$19,643.34](#)
- K. [ASB ACH warrant #222300211 in the amt. of \\$38.82](#)

2.3 Personnel

- A. Certified
 1. Andi Dupper, resignation Kindergarten Teacher effective 2/3/23
 2. Karlene Kitchel, long term substitute, Kindergarten Teacher effective 2/8/23
- B. Classified
 1. Brittany Rickman, ES Para I effective 2/6/23
 2. Shannon Washburn, ES Para I SLC Classroom effective 2/16/23
- C. Athletics, Extracurricular
 1. Jody Martin, HS Wrestling Coach effective 1/4/23
 2. Andrew Cottle, HS Boys' Asst. Soccer Coach effective 2/27/23
 3. Nicole Fenimore, resignation HS Asst. Softball Coach effective 2/1/23
 4. Melinda Mazna, resignation HS Asst. Track Coach effective 2/2/23
 5. David "Chico" Chicks, HS Asst. Baseball Coach effective 2/27/23
 6. Tiffany Seter, resignation HS Boys Soccer Ticket Taker effective 2/6/23
 7. Tom Lambert, Weightroom Supervisor/Coach effective 2/27/23
 8. Rick Boyle, HS Asst. Softball Coach effective 2/27/23
- D. Non-Represented

2.4 Donations

1. La Center Lions Club, 1800 forks and spoons (600 to each cafeteria)
2. Logan Martin, \$100 to HS Boys' Soccer Team

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- None this month](#)
 8. [Director of Teaching and Learning](#)
 9. [Library](#)
 10. Enrollment Reports- [Head Count, FTE](#)

- 11. [Monthly Financial Reports – Budget Status, Forecast 5](#)
- B. Superintendent Contract 2023-2026
- C. [SEIU/LCSD Negotiated Agreement 2022-2025](#)
- D. [Comprehensive School Counseling Plan](#)
- E. [LC Academy K-5 Parent/Student Handbook](#) (Grading updated to match MS/HS handbook)
- F. [LC Academy 6-12 Parent/Student Handbook](#) (No substantive changes)

Motion Carried Unanimously

PART 3.0 – LINKAGE

- 3.1 MS Showcase – Daniel Thiessen and Nathan Wilfong presented information to the board regarding the [middle school counseling department and the Structured Learning Center](#).

PART 4.0 – ASSURANCE OF ORGANIZATIONAL PERFORMANCE (Monitoring Reports)

Motion 22/23-26 made by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Mr. Whited to approve EL-8 Monitoring Report as written:

- 4.1 [EL-8 Monitoring Report Student Conduct & Discipline](#)

Motion Carried Unanimously

PART 5.0 – WRITTEN POLICY

Motion 22/23-27 after some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Whited seconded by Mrs. Oldham to approve first reading of policy 3246 and procedure 3246P as written:

- 5.1 First reading of policy [3246](#) and procedure [3246P](#) Restraint, Isolation and Other Uses of Reasonable Force

Motion Carried Unanimously

PART 6.0 – OTHER ITEMS NEEDING BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION

Motion 22/23-27 made by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Mr. Whited to accept the resignation of Todd Jones, Board Director Area 2.

- 6.1 Formal Acceptance per GP-2-E3 [Board Member Resignation](#) – Todd Jones, Board Director Area 2. With the acceptance of the resignation, La Center School Board Director Area 2 is declared open.

Motion Carried Unanimously

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6.2 The Budget Extension Hearing was opened at 8:07 p.m.

[Presentation to the Board](#) – Nancy Carner presented information to the board regarding the need for the budget extension.

[F200 Report 22/23 General Fund](#)

There were no comments for or against 2022/2023 Budget Extension

The Budget Extension Hearing was closed at 8:12 p.m.

6.3 [Budget Timeline for 2023-2024 School Year](#) -The board discussed the timeline. The timeline will follow the same procedures as it has for the past couple of years for consistency of information presented to the board.

Motion 22/23-28

made by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Mr. Whited to accept Resolution 2022/2023-2 as written:

6.4 [Resolution 2022/2023-2 Budget Extension General Fund](#)

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion 22/23-29

made by Mr. Whited, seconded by Mrs. Oldham to accept the conditional certificate as follows:

6.5 [Conditional ESA Certificate Approval](#) – Maddie Stimmel HS Counselor Substitute

Motion Carried Unanimously

6.6 Future Agenda Items

6.7 **Board Schedule**

Board/Student Linkage 3/2/23, 8:30 a.m., Various Locations (Rescheduled from 2/14/23)

Board Workshop 3/14/23, 7:00 p.m., HS Library

Board Meeting 3/28/23, 7:00 p.m., HS Library

PART 7.0 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

None this month

PART 8.0 – ADJOURNMENT at 8:23 p.m.

8.1 Signing of Board Documents

Board Secretary- Peter Rosenkranz

Board Chair – Win Muffett

Board Member-Eric Lindberg

Board Member-Dorri Oldham

Board Member – Craig Whited

Board Member- (open position)