

LA CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BOARD WORKSHOP MINUTES

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 7:00 PM HS Library

Board Members Present: Eric Lindberg, Win Muffett, Dorri Oldham, Craig Whited Board Members Absent: Superintendent: Peter Rosenkranz Administrators: Staff and Guests: Dave Holmes, Terresa Holmes Minutes taken by: Tammy Lichliter

The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m.

The workshop opened with the Bolen Road Property Discussion. The board continued the discussion from the March 28 board meeting. The question is if the property should be sold or held onto by the district. If the District sells the property, the estimated profit to the district would only be around \$100,000 as the district purchased the property for \$650,000.

The board would still like the following information provided to them: Check with the city to see how much of the 17 acres is useable. Where are the utilities located? What is the process to have the property re-zoned? It is currently zoned for public building use.

- The board recognizes that property within La Center is getting very hard to find, especially large lots that would be suitable to build a school. If it is for a future school site, then it probably should be kept as there are no costs to the district.
- The board did ask that district employees should start mowing the field. Letting a community member mow the field could be opening up the district to litigation if there is an accident of some kind.
- The board then discussed the board member vacancy. Win Muffett said that as a current board member, he believes that it is important for a candidate to have kids in the school. The district is family friendly and pro-parent. He values parents and he wants to do right by the parents of the district. Terresa Holmes stated that grandparents should not be discounted as they are invested as well. Mr. Muffett agreed that he does not discount grandparents as they are valuable, but he places a higher value on parents. He added that that is not the only factor for being a good board

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candidate, but it is important to him. Mrs. Oldham asked if it was normal to not have many board applicants? It was discussed that it is becoming harder to find people who want to volunteer to be a school board member because of the current public viewpoints. The board will go ahead with board interviews at the April 25 board meeting. The board then discussed safety at the next board meeting as they are concerned with what happens in the crowd. Mr. Muffett said that he plans to make a statement before speakers begin speaking at the April board meeting and Mr. Rosenkranz will add a closing statement to the comments.

The board then adjourned to executive session at 8:00 pm. under RCW 42.30.110 (1)(f) for a complaint brought against a public employee. The executive session was expected to last 30 minutes. At 8:30, Mr. Rosenkranz went to announce a 20 minute extension to the executive session. No one was left to make the announcement to. The executive session ended at 8:50 p.m.

The workshop adjourned at 8:51 p.m., no action was taken.

Board Secretary-Peter Rosenkranz

Board Chair – Win Muffett

Board Member-Eric Lindberg

Board Member - Craig Whited

Board Member-Dorri Oldham

Board Member- (open position)