

MOUNT VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 320
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Call to Order and Flag Salute: Director Otos called to order a regular meeting of the Mount Vernon School District Board of Directors on February 19, 2020 at 6:00 PM at Madison Elementary School, 907 E. Fir Street, Mount Vernon, WA 98273. He led the board and gallery in the flag salute.

Roll Call of Members: Members present included Directors Otos, Coffey, Samora, Ragusa, and Cailloux. A quorum was present. Some others in attendance included D. Berard, J. Larson, B. Nutting, S. Thomas, F. Atkinson, K. Wollan, community members T. Theisen, M. Hernandez and interpreter.

Set Consent and Regular Agendas: Superintendent Bruner requested the board remove from the Consent Agenda the agreement for training with Skagit Valley College. This item will be added to the New Business section H.4.

Upon motion by Director Ragusa, seconded, and unanimously approved, the board adopted the consent and regular agendas as modified.

Review and Approval of Consent Agenda

Upon motion by Director Cailloux, seconded, and unanimously approved, the board approved items included in the consent agenda including those items listed:

Travel

- Students (5); Mount Vernon High School; Career & Technical Education: Future Farmers of America (FFA); State Agriculture Mechanics competition; April 16-17, 2020
- Students (8); Mount Vernon High School; Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA); State business Leadership conference; Spokane, WA; April 8-11, 2020
- Students (13); Mount Vernon High School; Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA); State Career Development Conference; Bellevue, WA; March 5-7, 2020
- Students (18); Mount Vernon High School; Career & Technical Education; Washington Career & Technical Sports Medicine Association (WCTSMA); Spokane, WA; April 23-26, 2020
- Staff (J.Banaszak); Mount Vernon High School; Career & Technical Education; Northwest Athletic Trainers Association conference (NWATA); Boise, ID; March 12-15, 2020
- Students (4); Mount Vernon High School; Career & Technical Education: Family, Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA); FCCLA State Competition; Wenatchee, WA; March 17-20, 2020
- Staff (J. Walton Kawasaki); Skagit Academy; Learning & the Brain Conference; San Francisco, CA; February 14-16, 2020

Contracts/Agreements

- Contract for Professional Services; Salish Sea Deaf School; child specific; January 24, 2020 to June 12, 2020

Personnel Report

- Certificated: Out of Endorsement; Leave
- Classified: Employment; Leave; Retirement/Resignation/Termination; Transportation Adjustments
- Extra/co-curricular stipends and supplemental contracts

- Unfilled Certificated and Classified positions

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

- **Board Member Comments**

Director Ragusa enjoyed the visit to Olympia to meet with legislators. Although our district was included with several neighboring districts, Superintendent Bruner was able to lead the conversation. She commented on being proud of the board diversity and community visibility, including listening to our constituency. She commented she was also proud to see the LUCHA students actively participating.

- Director Samora commented it was her first visit and was impressed with the camaraderie experienced with local districts.
- Director Otos said the district received 19 applications for the superintendent position and will meet in Executive Session February 20 to review those applications to select six to move forward.

Superintendent's Report

Data Dashboard: Superintendent Bruner, assisted by Stephanie Thomas, Teaching & Learning, and Jennifer Larson, Finance, presented the data dashboard information. The priority actions relating to the Key Strategies were reviewed. Other items discussed included:

- Early Learning Star Literacy and Reading scores and compared to Fall and winter, as well as the state averages
- Early Learning Star Math scores and compared to Fall and winter, as well as the state averages
- Powerful Teaching & Learning Star Reading scores and compared to Fall and winter, as well as the state averages
- Powerful Teaching & Learning Star Math scores and compared to Fall and winter, as well as the state averages
- Powerful Teaching & Learning ELPA21 transition rates as compared to state averages
- Powerful Teaching & Learning on track to credit in Algebra 1 by end of grade 9
- Family & community Engagement Fall Conference participation rates, as well as secondary Skyward Family Access logins
- Individual Determination and Creativity equitable access to accelerated learning opportunities
- Individual Determination and Creativity average daily attendance
- Individual Determination and Creativity on time and extended graduation rate and data
- Individual Determination and Creativity post graduate data survey
- Student Enrollment
- Expenditures to date
- Impact Fees
- Focus points including Multi-tiered systems of supports, equity project, and construction status

New Business

Request to Surplus: Portables Lincoln Elementary School: Superintendent Bruner commented the facilities department would like to surplus portables formerly in use at Lincoln Elementary School. While they may be repurposed, by surplusing them at this time, the district is able to move forward with expediency once the determination is made about the future of Lincoln school use. Surplusing does not mean they will automatically be sold. They will be held until future needs are solidified.

Upon motion by Director Ragusa, seconded and unanimously approved, the board agreed to surplus specific portable formerly in use at Lincoln Elementary School.

Construction

- Mount Vernon High School Old Main
 - Value Engineering Report: T. TheisenMr. Theisen shared the value engineering process is for cost control strategies. He provided some examples of the process for old main, noting there are a few hundred items that have been reviewed. He shared the design team, architect, and contractor don't all agree at this time with the measures, but the process is useful for future review and design. The process is not entirely for cost reduction, but also allows conversation on many items such as how elaborate landscaping should be, whether to include sprinkler systems, and how robust the outside fencing should be.

The details of the value engineering report will be discussed in depth at the Project Leadership Team meeting.

Donations to the District

Upon motion by Director Ragusa, seconded, and unanimously approved, the board accepted the donation given anonymously for \$250.00 to benefit the Art Club at Harriet Rowley Elementary school and the Mount Baker Theatre donation for \$218.00 to benefit Centennial Grade 2 students busing to a production at Mount Baker Theatre.

Agreement for Customized Training; Skagit Valley College; Teaching Equity: Advancing Racial Justice Training; May 1-3, 2020

Upon motion by Director Samora, seconded and unanimously approved with one abstention by Director Cailloux for conflict of interest, the agreement with Skagit Valley College for customized training regarding Teaching Equity: Advancing Racial Justice in early May was approved.

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Student Comments: There were no student comments.

Adjournment: There being no further business to bring before the board, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Larry Otos
Larry Otos, May 11, 2020

Larry Otos, Director
Board President

Carl Bruner
Carl Bruner, May 11, 2020

Carl Bruner, Superintendent
Secretary to the Board