

**Cooperative School Boards Work Session**  
**RCW 43.30.080**

**Monday, January 23, 2017**

**Endicott School Library 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

Endicott School Board Chair Marvin Schmick and St John School Board Chair Janet Leifer called their respective boards to order and jointly opened the work session at 6:00 pm.

**Attendance:**

**Endicott School Board**

Marvin Schmick  
Nancy Anderson

Debbie Schlomer  
Greta White  
Jamie Misner

**St John School Board**

Janet Leifer  
Jim Rogers

Alan Blumenshein  
Shantyl McGuire  
Valerie Brewer

Others in attendance: Bruce Porubek, Mark Purvine, Trish Hilt, Suzanne Schmick and Dana Crider.

Superintendent Schmick updated the boards of her conversations with LaCrosse Superintendent Doug Curtis. Meetings are still happening regarding the Washtucna athletes and what their plans will be moving forward for 2017-18. Superintendent Schmick reiterated to Superintendent Curtis that the SJE boards would only move forward with an official agreement if all of the sports were to participate at SJE. She also felt that the SJE boards would have more information if they waited a little longer to schedule their public forums.

A copy of the original SJEL sports cooperative proposal that was designed at November's meeting was given to each board member. The board reviewed the proposal and stated they do not see any changes to be made to the original proposal.

Discussion then turned to concerns regarding the low participation of SJE students. Board members agreed these issues need to be researched in further detail and want to assure the patrons this issue will be addressed in the near future.

After discussion, all board members agreed that the public forums still need to take place even if the SJEL sports cooperative does not happen for the 2017-18 school year. The boards would like to provide the patrons with an update. Superintendent Schmick will check the calendar for appropriate dates in the months of February and early March. She will communicate these dates to the board members along with any updates regarding the final sports program decisions from Washtucna and Lacrosse school districts.

Endicott School Board Chair Marvin Schmick and St John School Board Chair Janet Leifer closed the work session at 7:00 pm.