

BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, January 25, 2016  
Endicott School Library  
7:00 p.m.

Marvin Schmick called the Endicott meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Kelly Lundberg called the St John meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Debbie Schlomer led the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present from Endicott were Marvin Schmick, Nancy Anderson, Greta White, Jamie Misner and Debbie Schlomer. Present from St John were Kelly Lundberg, Alan Blumenshein and Valerie Brewer. Janet Leifer and Shantyl McGuire were absent. Also present were Suzanne Schmick (Superintendent), Bruce Porubek (Endicott Principal), Mark Purvine (St John Principal) and Dana Crider (Business Manager). Guests at the meeting included Deanna Kile, Becky Gonzalez and Max Lundberg.

**AGENDA/MINUTES**

Debbie Schlomer moved and Nancy Anderson seconded the motion to approve the board minutes of the December 14, 2015 regular meeting and the agenda of the current meeting as mailed. All Endicott board members agreed. Alan Blumenshein moved and Valerie Brewer seconded the motion to approve the board minutes of the December 15, 2015 regular meeting and the agenda of the current meeting as mailed. All St John board members agreed.

**GOOD NEWS ITEMS, COMMENTS**

Mrs. Schmick thanked building secretaries, Stephanie and Donna, for recognizing staff birthdays. She also shared an article in the Whitman County Gazette about Endicott custodian, Doug Carlsen and his love of music. Mr. Porubek announced that preschool teacher, Tara Huntley, was awarded a \$1500 grant from WEA to utilize in the courtyard area to grow veggies, which also ties into her preschool science. Welcome back Donna!

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

ENDICOTT – Jamie Misner moved and Greta White seconded the motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. Approved were the January 2016: payroll warrants #30806414-30806446 in the amount of \$92,744.91 and direct deposit funds in the amount of \$40,683.59; the General Fund accounts payable warrants #30806393-30806413 & #30806447-30806489 in the amount of \$89,600.73; ASB Fund accounts payable warrants #30806490 in the amount of \$187.91. Also approved: Letter of resignation – Suzanne Schmick, MS Assistant Track Coach. All Endicott board members agreed.

ST JOHN – Alan Blumenshein moved and Valerie Brewer seconded the motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. Approved were the January 2016: payroll warrants #32208203-32208246 in the amount of \$119,838.39 and direct deposit funds in the amount of \$66,801.33; the General Fund accounts payable warrants #32208176-32208192, #32208201-32208202 & #32208247-32208297 in the amount of \$69,492.51; the ASB Fund accounts payable warrants #32208193-32208199 & #32208298-32208308 in the amount of \$12,473.22; the Capital Projects Fund accounts payable warrant #32208200 in the amount of \$2,000.00. Also approved: Letter of resignation – Rochelle Dugger-Evans, Paraeducator. All St. John board members agreed.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mrs. Schmick shared the official letter received from the Hagan Foundation awarding SJE Art Teacher, Travis Echanove, a \$7,565 grant.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Purvine announced the award of 50 STEM focused books for the St John Elementary Library. Congratulations to librarian Kay Riehle!

SJE History teacher, Josh Roberts, would like to provide a \$250 scholarship to one SJE student to provide additional funding for expenses pertaining to a university, junior college, or any other training program. Valerie Brewer moved and Alan Blumenshein seconded the motion to accept Mr. Roberts' scholarship. All St John members agreed.

Mrs. Schmick provided updates in regards to the Primeland pumps closure in Endicott. She, along with other business leaders in the community, are scheduling meetings with local fuel companies to discuss options.

Mrs. Schmick discussed the new Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) that will be implemented in the next 2 years. This replaces No Child Left Behind.

With the upcoming M & O levies for both districts, Mrs. Schmick shared a Levy Fact Sheet she prepared and mailed to all registered voters in both districts. The St John mailer also included information regarding the proposed Capital Projects Levy for \$200,000 over 2 years.

### **COOPERATIVE BOARD MATTERS**

Mrs. Schmick presented all of the board members with certificates in honor of School Board Appreciation month. She also thanked them for their dedication and hard work for our schools.

Alan Blumenshein, Greta White and Suzanne Schmick will attend the WSSDA Legislative Conference, January 30 – February 1 in Olympia. Mrs. Schmick also provided an opportunity for board members to attend the Small School Conference in Wenatchee, March 14-15.

Mrs. Schmick provided an update of current conversations with Lacrosse sports. She reiterated that SJE is not ready to make a decision before March 1<sup>st</sup>, which is Lacrosse's deadline for the 2016-17 school year. Discussions have been held with Superintendents, Principals and Athletic

Directors to set up timelines for the coming year. In March, SJE will begin surveying our patrons to be reviewed in April.

St John and Endicott schools have joined many other Washington schools to hire a Legislative Public Affairs Consultant as part of the Eastern Washington Quality Schools Coalition. Our portion of the fees should be minimal due to the number of schools also participating. ESD 101 will provide direction as to any reporting requirements.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:**

Bruce Porubek provided updates for the Endicott building including the upcoming inservice schedule, testing data breakdown and TPEP guidelines. Mr. Porubek also demonstrated the new swivel device he purchased with a donation from the Endicott Community Club. The swivel records teachers in the classroom and then they can review and evaluate themselves. Thanks to the Endicott Community Club for their donation to our school!

Mark Purvine provided updates for the St John building including next year’s class schedules and possibly looking into an 8 period day, the need for math curriculum adoption this summer and testing schedules. We are also applying for a GearUp grant that would help provide updated equipment and supplies to the high school science room. He also provided updates for high school athletics.

Dana Crider provided January enrollment reports to both school districts.

Dana Crider provided December financial statements to both school districts.

Marvin Schmick acknowledged the guests and thanked them for attending.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Greta White moved and Nancy Anderson seconded the motion to adjourn the Endicott board meeting. Marvin Schmick adjourned the Endicott meeting at 8:45 pm. Alan Blumenshein moved and Valerie Brewer seconded the motion to adjourn the St. John board meeting. Kelly Lundberg adjourned the St John meeting at 8:45 p.m.

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Suzanne Schmick, Superintendent

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Janet Leifer, St. John Board Chair

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Marvin Schmick, Endicott Board Chair