

Washington State Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
Clover Park School District  
May 9-11, 2001

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Gary Gainer, Jonathan T. Harris, Phyllis Bunker Frank, Linda W. Lamb, Roberta May, Tom Parker, Warren T. Smith, Sr., Neal Supplee, Carolyn Tolas, Ron Woldeit, and Student Representatives Carly Cyr, David Peterson, and Lacey Androsko

**Member(s) Unable to Attend:** Dr. Terry Bergeson

**Staff Present:** Larry Davis, Patty Martin, Pat Eirish, Laura Moore, Gene Thomas

**TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2001**

Vice President Jonathan T. Harris called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m. He welcomed members and audience to the meeting. He introduced Superintendent Doris McEwen Walker, who welcomed the Board to the Clover Park School District. Superintendent Walker reviewed the mission and vision of the district as well as some of the programs in the district. Superintendent Walker introduced Clover Park Board Member Jim Cooper who has been selected as the new Director of the School Facilities and Organization Section in the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI).

Mr. Cooper noted that he is going to continue with his service with the Clover Park School Board as long as possible while beginning his new position with OSPI. He also provided background information on himself and his goals for the new position.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Page 14—Add policy/rule citation to first paragraph

Page 18—Topical Report: Summer Institutes should be OSPI/AWSP Summer Institutes

**Motion:** Moved by Mr. Harris and seconded by Ms. Tolas to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

Corrected minutes are on file at the State Board office; corrected version will be posted on the State Board web page.

### **AGENDA REVIEW**

Executive Director Larry Davis reviewed the agenda, noting that Tab 6 has only one agency to approve and there is a revised Tab 7 before the Board.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

On Tab 7, Mrs. Roberta May asked for an explanation of “certified” as used with the education centers. Mr. Davis stated that the term is used as a catchall phrase to describe the review process done for the centers. WAC 180-95-020 defines the process for certification of education centers by the State Board of Education.

Jonathan Harris asked that Tab 4 be pulled.

**Motion:** Moved by Mr. Supplee and seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the consent agenda with the exception of Tab 4. Motion carried

Carter Bagg, Interim Director, School Facilities and Organization, OSPI, reviewed the purpose of Tab 4—status of the common school construction fund.

**Motion:** Moved by Mr. Harris and seconded by Ms. Tolas to approve Tab 4. Motion carried.

### **TAB 9—CHANGE IN SCOPE OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

Carter Bagg, Interim Director of School Facilities and Construction, OSPI, provided background information on the request from the Franklin Pierce School District to change the scope of their construction project. Mr. Bagg reviewed the formula used for funding the district construction projects. The formula stops at 20% so that some of the districts with high property values would receive some funding. A question was raised regarding the amount of increase (54 percent); Mr. Bagg was asked to reverify the figures. (Subsequently, information was provided by School Facilities and Organization that the match ratio is 72.75 percent.)

Mr. Supplee raised the question of school construction funding equalization and the fact that the concept is not politically viable in today’s world. Ms. Tolas noted that there are rumors of initiatives to answer the problem of equalization.

**Motion:** Moved by Mr. Harris and seconded by Ms. Tolas to approve Tab 9. Motion carried.

President Gary Gainer, on behalf of the State Board, welcomed Lacey Androsko to the State Board as the new student representative from Enumclaw High School.

#### **TAB 10—ANNUAL BASIC EDUCATION REPORT**

Pat Eirish, staff member, State Board of Education, reviewed the Annual Basic Education Report for Board members. A copy of the report is on file with these minutes.

In response to a question, Ms. Eirish noted that it will take some time before districts realize that the new rules will allow them to do more without applying for a waiver.

Ms. Eirish noted that several districts have requested that waivers be granted for two years or longer. The Board did not change its position of granting waivers for only one year. **In response to a question, Ms. Eirish stated that the waiver has not done any harm, but cannot point to the waiver as the sole reason for increased student learning.**

Ms. Eirish noted that some schools have chosen not to be accredited, which is voluntary in Washington State.

#### **TAB 11—WAIVER REQUEST**

Pat Eirish, staff member, State Board of Education, presented 180-day waiver requests from Anacortes, Burlington-Edison, Concrete, Easton, Federal Way, Mukilteo, Selkirk, and Valley School Districts. Carol Matsui, Federal Way School District, reviewed the waiver request from her district and how they arrive at and use the waivers within the district. Garfield-Palouse and Mount Baker sent in requests following the preparation of the agenda and were presented as addendums for Board deliberation.

**Motion:** Moved by Mr. Harris and seconded by Mr. Supplee to approve the waiver requests. Motion carried.

President Gainer introduced Lynette Anderson who is serving as a liaison for a portion of the homeschool community.

### **Initial Consideration of Proposed Policy Amendments**

#### **TAB 12—WAC 180-78A-010**

Executive Director Larry Davis presented information on the changes being proposed to WAC 180-78A-010 Definitions. The amendments were adopted on an emergency basis at the March State Board of Education meeting.

Motion: Moved by Mrs. Tolas and seconded by Mr. Woldeit to bring Tab 12 to the June or August meeting for Public Hearing and Adoption Consideration. Motion carried.

**TAB 13—WAC 180-33-042**

Executive Director Larry Davis presented background information regarding the proposed amendment to WAC 180-33-042 Replacement Option. The amendment had originally been adopted at the Board's March meeting on an emergency basis.

**Motion:** Moved by Mrs. Tolas and seconded by Mr. Harris to bring Tab 13 to the June or August meeting for Public Hearing and Adoption Consideration. Motion carried.

**TAB 14—WAC 180-51-063 AND WAC 180-57-070**

Mr. Davis reviewed the proposed changes and the need for emergency adoption.

**Motion:** Moved by Mr. Supplee and seconded by Mrs. May to bring WAC 180-51-063 Certificate of Mastery—High school graduation requirement—Effective date, to the June or August meeting for Public Hearing and Adoption Consideration. Motion carried.

**Motion:** Moved by Mr. Supplee and seconded by Mrs. May to adopt WAC 180-57-070 Mandatory High School Transcript Contents—Items, on an emergency basis and then bring it to the June or August meeting for Public Hearing and Adoption Consideration. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 9 yes, 0 no, 1 excused.

**TAB 15—WAC 180-97-060**

Mr. Davis reviewed the need for the emergency adoption.

**Motion:** Moved by Mr. Harris and seconded by Mr. Smith to emergency adopt the proposed changes to WAC 180-97-060 Selection of Recipients—Review committee and to bring it back to the June or August meeting for Public Hearing and Adoption Consideration. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 9 yes, 0 no, 1 excused.

**Policy Application Relating to Interscholastic Activities**

**TAB 16—WIAA**

Executive Director Mike Colbrese of the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA) presented the annual report of the association along with the resolution approving/disapproving rules of the WIAA. One of the proposed changes to WIAA rules, not adopted at the recent Representative Assembly,

could result in WIAA being sued (an individualized sports' coach may be working for a facility at which the student(s) may be practicing during the off season; i.e., swimming or tennis coaches working for other athletic facilities).

There is a move to split the public and private schools in interscholastic athletic programs. Seattle is considering splitting the public schools from the private schools—privates would play in the KingCo League. This is a situation that will not go away. The WIAA Board has passed a rule that will require part of the administrative team (principal and athletic director) attend the fall WIAA conference.

**Motion:** Moved by Mr. Supplee and seconded by Mrs. May to adopt the resolution dealing with WIAA rules.

**Motion:** Moved by Mr. Supplee and seconded by Mrs. May to amend the motion to allow Executive Director Larry Davis to make adjustments to the resolution in conjunction with Assistant Attorney General Robert “Skip” Patterson to reflect the situation that none of the rules affected eligibility. Motion carried.

Motion as amended carried.

President Gainer asked that each Board member introduce him-/herself to the new student representative, Lacey Androsko.

Vice President Jonathan T. Harris presented an outline of the tour of McChord Air Force Base. The Board reviewed the planning session agenda.

## **Planning Session**

### **INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT**

Executive Director Larry Davis reviewed the proposed Interpretive Statement regarding the SBE policy contained in WAC 180-57-055 Definition—Grade point average. A question was raised as to need for a decision on this issue at this time—schools are getting ready to produce transcripts and would like to have an interpretation of the rule. Discussion centered around whether or not there should be only one answer that Executive Director Davis can use with phone calls or if the Board should adopt the Interpretive Statement. The Board discussed the pros and cons of the language of the WAC and what would be the best position for the Board to take. Advice from Assistant Attorney General Robert “Skip” Patterson

was to amend the rule to reflect the Board's desire to give all students the opportunity to learn at their own pace, because an Interpretive Statement cannot be used to amend the substance of a rule.

The Board directed staff to bring amendatory language on WAC 180-57-055 to the June or August meeting to clarify the Board's intent to give all students the opportunity to learn.

#### **Thursday, May 10, 2001 & Friday, May 11, 2001**

President Gainer called the meeting to order at 8:44 am on Thursday and at 8:38 am on Friday.

The remainder of the Board meeting, including Friday, focused on annual planning elements and included:

- Review of the Board's vision and mission statements
- Environmental scan presentations from:
  - Jim Coolican, Superintendent, Peninsula School District
  - Terry Munther, Superintendent, Educational Service District No. 101, Spokane
  - Lynn Fielding, School Board Member, Kennewick School District
  - Phil Bussey, President, Washington (business) Roundtable
  - Gary Marx, President, Center for Public Outreach
- Identification of implications of the environmental scan presentation information for the State Board as a policy agency, schools and school systems, and students.
- Review of the Board's current 2000-02 Strategic Intentions
- Development of a Board Strategic Plan for 2001-07.
- Linda Shaw, Seattle Times reporter, interacted with the Board regarding how to work effectively with the media
- Review Fiscal Year 2001 budget status.
- Review proposed Fiscal Year 2002 expenditure plan.
- Staff sharing of possible new State Board logo. The Board agreed a new logo was needed, but more work needs to be done on the idea suggested.

#### **HONORING CARLY CYR**

On Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, President Gainer presented Ms. Carly Cyr with a Certificate of Appreciation. for her two years outstanding service to the Board and on behalf of the statewide student body. He then presented her with gifts from Gonzaga University where she will attend in the fall. Larry Davis presented Ms. Cyr with gifts from the staff. Ms. Cyr thanked Board members and staff for the opportunities she has had to learn about education.

Meeting adjourned at 3:13 pm on Friday, May 11, 2001.