



**Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Monday, April 27, 2009**

The Board of Directors held a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, April 27, 2009. The meeting began at 6:05 p.m. and was held at the Mead School District Office. Directors Farley, Olson, Hunt, Denholm and O'Connor were present. Also attending was Superintendent Tom Rockefeller, Assistant Superintendent Dan Butler and Executive Directors Wayne Leonard, Ralph Thayer and Kelly Shea.

I. Approval of Agenda

Superintendent Tom Rockefeller requested modification of the agenda to add item V.E. PUBLIC HEARING - Initiative 728 Student Achievement Plan. Director Denholm made a motion to approve the agenda, as amended. Director Hunt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

II. Approval of Minutes

Director Olson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of April 20, 2009. Director O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

III. Remarks for the Good of the Schools

Mt. Spokane High School ASB President, Taylor Jordan, reviewed the spring sports and social events planned for students and the community at Mt. Spokane High School.

Superintendent Tom Rockefeller spoke about the latest information coming from state legislators regarding the state budget deficit.

IV. Continuing Business

A. 2009-2010 Budget Report

Assistant Superintendent Dan Butler presented a progression of budget reduction scenarios in \$500,000 increments, as requested by the Board at their meeting on April 20, 2009.

Mr. Butler said that cuts in these scenarios give a sense of budget reductions for every possible level depending on what the state decides in the coming days.

Director Farley opened the discussion to the public and invited questions.

Kathy Loucks: *In middle school and high school sports, there is a drop from \$312,000 to \$31,200.*

Dan Butler: Yes, that's dropped to 10 percent.

Tom Zdrokowski: *The reduction for sports, specifically elementary coaches, is that a cut of one sport or how do you see that working out?*

Dan Butler: That decision can only come after we know the reduction amounts, and after discussions with coaches and administrators.

Director Hunt commented: Thank you to Assistant Superintendent Dan Butler for your hard work in preparing the scenarios, in a comparable form, that gives a bigger picture in order to be ready to make important decisions.

Director Farley commented: I would also like to thank all of our administrators for their continuing effort, long hours and hard work in dealing with difficult details.

B. Capital Facilities Planning Study

Facilities Director John Dormaier presented introductory information regarding the newly formed Facilities Plan Committee. Mr. Dormaier reviewed the responsibilities and obligations of the committee and asked that the committee's by-laws be approved.

After lengthy discussion, the Director Denholm made a motion to table the approval of the by-laws, and appointment of the committee, to allow administrators to invite additional members to join the committee. Director O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

V. New Business

A. Consent Agenda A & B

Director Denholm made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda - A. Director Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Director O'Connor made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda - B. Director Hunt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Director Olson abstained from the vote.

B. Northwood Track

Facilities Director John Dormaier reviewed information regarding the Northwood Middle School's track condition and requested the Board to approve the bidding phase for the demolition project.

After lengthy discussion, Director Denholm made a motion to approve the request, with the modification that the south runway would be retained. Director Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**C. Resolution 09-08
Prairie View Commissioning Report**

Facilities Director John Dormaier reviewed the required commissioning report and asked that Resolution 09-08 be adopted.

Director Olson made a motion to adopt Resolution 09-08, Prairie View Elementary School Commissioning Report, as presented. Director Denholm seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Student Travel Request -- Mt. Spokane High School

Executive Director Ralph Thayer reviewed Mt. Spokane High School's request for orchestra students to travel to Anaheim, California to participate in the Heritage Music Festival, May 21-25, 2009.

After lengthy discussion, Director Denholm made a motion to approve Mt. Spokane High School's request for student travel to Anaheim, California to participate in the Heritage Music Festival, May 21-25, 2009, with the mandate that the district's student travel policy be reviewed and revised to include requirements for more educational experience and less school days away from the classroom, while on student trips. Director Hunt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

E. PUBLIC HEARING - I-728 Student Achievement Plan

Executive Director Wayne Leonard presented the guidelines for the use of I-728 funds. Mr. Leonard said that this PUBLIC HEARING was held to satisfy the requirement to hold a public hearing by May 1st every year. The targeted student achievement plan will not be available for approval until the state budget is concluded. This was an informational report. No action was taken.

VIII. Reports

A. Financial Report for the Month of March 2009

Executive Director Wayne Leonard presented a brief report on the financial report for the month of March 2009. Mr. Leonard indicated the year-to-date revenues for March were 55.96% and expenditures were 57.71% of budget projections. Mr. Leonard also indicated that the net cash and investment balance was \$365,898. This was an informational report. No action was taken.

B. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Rockefeller presented a few items of interest to the Board:

- Letter of thanks from the Guild School for Mead High School student's penny drive contribution of \$1152.28,
- Letter of thanks from Lakeside High School for the contribution of over 200 arrangements for their instrumental and vocal music programs.

IX. Executive Session

At 7:14 pm Director Farley called for a short break followed by an Executive Session of approximately thirty minutes to review the performance of a public employee.

At 8:00 pm Director Farley returned the meeting to open session. No other business was discussed and no action was taken.

X. Adjourn

The meeting was immediately adjourned at 8:00 p.m.