

Board Members:	Greg Miller, President; Scott Jones, Duane Pegg, and Hillary Bearden.	
Administration:	Kurt Hilyard, Superintendent; Heather Sweet, Teaching and Learning/Special Services; Christopher Pollard, JR/SR HS Principal, and Dr. Cindy Risher, Elementary Principal.	
Call to Order:	1.0	The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm and the flag salute was led by President, Greg Miller.
Approval of Minutes:	2.0	It was moved and seconded (DP/HB) that the Board approve the minutes of the December 18, 2018 regular meeting as presented thereby ratifying all actions taken. M/C, unanimous.
Student Recognition	3.0	This month, 4 students were honored: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mary Bjornsgard (5th – Mrs. Samuelson) <i>Not present</i> - Amy Camargo-Solis (5th – Mr. Anderson) - Baily Lowe (8th – Lindsey Quinby) - Alexis Lopez-Feria (8th – Lindsey Quinby) - Marisa Jones (After School Program) <i>Not present</i>
Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items	4.0	None
Consent Agenda:	5.0	It was moved and seconded (DP/SJ) that the consent agenda be approved, thereby approving items 5.1 – 5.5, which includes:
Payroll AP Warrant	5.1	
New Hire – Triep-Stencil	5.2	I move that the consent agenda be approved, thereby approving items 5.1-5.5 which includes:
Board Policy Review – First Reading	5.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Payroll warrant 536728 in the amount of \$1710.35;
Board Policy Review – Second Reading	5.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hiring of Ana Triep-Stencil as Lighthouse Project Academic Coach;
Board Policy Review – Third Reading	5.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Reading of Policies and Procedures 1400P, 2030, 2030P, 2418, 2418P, 2418R (Resolution #485-2019), 3141, 3143, 3144, 3226, 3226P, 3231, 3231P, 3413P, 4310, 4314, 4314P, 6210; • Second Reading of Policy and Procedure: None; and • Third Reading of Procedure 2410P on January 15, 2019.
		M/C, unanimous
Finance Reports:	6.0	None
Informational Reports:	7.0	
January Enrollment	7.1	January FTE count is 597.41. The district budgeted for 550 FTEs for 2018-19.
Principals' Report	7.2	Dr. Risher spoke about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The second round of MAP testing has started at the elementary with ELA testing first this week. The Math testing will be next week. The elementary is practicing procedures that could allow the school to do future state testing all at one time instead of spreading it out over a few weeks. This could potentially increase available instructional time for classes. - Kindergarten enrollment is holding steady. Two of the four Kindergarten teacher applicants were interviewed and Dr. Risher is making follow-up phone calls regarding the candidates' backgrounds. - Dr. Risher is looking to do an early kindergarten preview after spring break that could lead to a better fall enrollment estimate.
		Mr. Pollard spoke about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interim assessments and MAP testing being done at the JH/HS. - A parent information night was held for students through the OEL program coordinators Amy Walker and Kim Bambauer. OEL is giving students the opportunity to apply for internships with future plans of securing them positions that are in their career fields of interest. OEL is also holding resume workshops for students. - Late Start Agenda for 1/16: Review for teachers regarding implementing IEPs and 504 plans. A staff review regarding proper CPS reporting will be led by Rachel Haines. Mr. Pollard will also be discussing future courses that may be offered at the JH/HS. - The schools had an earthquake drill that went well today. Mr Pollard noted that it took less time, than a previous drill, for the students to evacuate the building and climb the tsunami towers. - Mr. Pollard is looking at data comparing student tardies versus academic success in the classroom.

- A "Counselor's Corner" has been created by Rachel Haines to better prepare the students for success after high school. So far, this program provides students with notices regarding scholarships and upcoming events that assist students with things like filling out FAFSA paperwork for college financial aid.
- Saturday School Proposal: Mr. Pollard proposed that the JH/HS begin holding Saturday School to address tardiness issues. Saturday School could reduce impacting students' time in the classroom by providing an alternative to constantly removing them for ISS where they miss classroom instruction. Mr. Pollard believes it will give students time to catch up on classwork and will hold the students more accountable for repeated tardy offenses. The program start date would be new semester when everyone starts with clean slate of zero tardies. The 3-4 hours of Saturday School could be divided between academics and service project duties. The board approved of the JH/HS starting Saturday School and left it open to the JH/HS how to best use the 3-4hrs.

Director of Teaching and Learning Report

7.3 Ms. Sweet spoke about:

- Four students are still at risk of not graduating. Two of the four students will likely pass the ACTs for credit, one may be able to graduate through an alternative route, and one is not likely to graduate.
- Transitional Bilingual Program Update: 59 students are served district wide. Teacher Lindsey Quinby is overseeing the translational bilingual program. Mrs. Quinby and Ms. Sweet are looking into doing a book study for teachers to help them with teaching ELL students so the students can be more successful in the classroom. The elementary ELL students are currently using a program called Imagine Learning that helps them with language and literacy skills.
- Migrant Program Update: 19 elementary, 27 JH/HS, 3 pre-school, 1 home school, and 3 out-of-school youth are recorded as migrant with the district. Migrant services provide: travel to doctor's appointments, access to school and community resources, and more.
- Impact Aid Update: The grant is due on January 31st. This money from the Department of Education is for students who have family working or living on federal land. The grant apportionment is based on what the federal government decides the school should receive.
- Small Rural Achievement Grant: Funding for small rural schools to meet basic education requirements. This funding goes into basic education and the amount varies.
- Special Education Update: 112 students are receiving special education assistance. Hours were added to SpEd preschool due to adding three 3-year olds in two months. Including birth to 3 students.
- Title I Fund Update: Intervention throughout the district, including funding Paraeducators. This grant funds the seventh grade academy class. This apportionment is based on our free and reduced meal rate.
- McKinney-Vento Update: Ms. Sweet drove through the community with the counselors to determine substandard housing to check on student placements and needs for M-V.
- LAP Services Update: Learning Assistance Program for students who need extra support. Provides reading and math intervention classes as well as a 9th grade academy for transitioning students. This funding is allotted by the state.

Superintendent's Report

7.4 Mr. Hilyard spoke about:

- The JH/HS hot water tanks are installed and working. The school did not qualify for a PUD energy rebate for this facility update.
- The district is still waiting to purchase the Chromebooks from the Rochester School District. The entire second grade has Chromebooks now instead of iPads. The Chromebooks from Rochester will be assigned to the first grade classes along with other grade levels.
- Grant Updates: The district was awarded a robotics grant in the amount of \$2,750. Steve Wood will work with the students through this grant. The district did not receive an ADA grant, but the issues presented in the proposal still need to be addressed. The district was not awarded the urgent repair grant, but these issues are also an ongoing concern. The small rural district grant was not awarded to the district, but these issues are also a concern for the district. The district is waiting to hear about one more grant opportunity that was submitted 11/30/19 for Capital Budget funding from the WA legislature.
- On November 30th, Mr. Hilyard submitted a public records request to GH county to receive a list of area sex offenders. Eight new offenders are now living within the district's boundaries. No Trespassing letters have been mailed to the eight offenders, but some may be returned due to insufficient mailing address information. Mr. Hilyard will be working on getting returned letters to the recipients through other methods.

- Immunization Update: Ocosta currently has only one non-McKinney-Vento student that has not scheduled an immunization appointment.
- Kindergarten enrollment holds steady. The last teaching applicant interview was yesterday. The principal is hoping to recommend a candidate for the kindergarten position by the January 29th meeting.
- Mr. Hilyard continues to ride the morning bus routes. Completed routes include: 1,2, and 10 with route 6 scheduled for tomorrow morning.
- The district is still looking for Math/Science and Music teaching applicants.
- Head lice update: District administrators are coming up with a plan regarding head lice procedures. This procedure should be presented at the January 29th or February 12th board meeting.
- The LED lighting improvement project for the entire district cost approximately \$50,000. Approximately \$37,000 will be reimbursed through a PUD rebate in a month or so. The improvements have an estimated energy savings of \$11,684 per year after approximately one year.
- Mr. Hilyard and Scott Jones had a meeting with Lisa Marx with the NW Carpenters Institute of Washington regarding a carpentry apprenticeship program. Curriculum samples and support materials have been ordered to review for the program. The JH/HS is hoping to open a beginner class for JH students and a more advance class for HS students. Scott Jones added that if a student receives the certificate for completing these courses, it will give those students priority when applying to the carpentry apprentice program.
- The future school calendars are still being worked on. There are problems with the 2020/21 school year calendar due to where Labor Day lands on the calendar.
- The roof of portable #1 is leaking and will be repaired next week. The roof is still under warranty.
- On February 6th, Todd Johnson and Dana Anderson will be here to work with the school board during a work session to finalize the district's strategic plan that was started in 2015, but never completed. The work session will be at 7:00pm in Elementary Portable #1.

Old Business:

Cont. Discussion of
Community Gym/Admin
Building and
Transportation Roof
Replacements
Continued Discussion
Regarding Random Drug
Testing of Staff
Transporting Students

8.0

- 8.1 Mr. Hilyard stated that the community gym and admin building roofs are in worse shape than the transportation building roof. The district may be requesting bids this Spring.
- 8.2 The district will not receive a premium reduction from the insurance company. The Board is still reviewing the pros and cons of a random drug testing program for all drivers that transport students. Currently only bus drivers participate in the random drug testing program

New Business:

Cash Donations

9.0

- 9.1 \$950 from Larry Kerns for Weekend Brunch Bunch.

Motion made by Hillary Bearden to accept the donation, the motion was seconded by Duane Pegg.

M/C, unanimous.

Questions or Comments:

10.0

None

Executive Session:

11.0

Board President, Greg Miller, stated that the Board would recess into executive session to discuss the superintendent mid-year evaluation. RCW 42.30.110(g)

The Board recessed into executive session at 8:24pm stating that they would return within 1 hour. Possible action may be taken during the executive session.

The Board came out of executive session at 8:53pm.

The Board reconvened the regular meeting at 8:53pm.

Motion made by Scott Jones to accept the resignation letter from Superintendent Kurt Hilyard, the motion was seconded by Duane Pegg.

M/C, unanimous.

Adjournment:

12.0

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Miller, President

Kurt Hilyard, Board Secretary

Kristin Griffith, Board Clerk