

**MINUTES**  
**of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**of the ENUMCLAW SCHOOL DISTRICT #216**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**October 3, 2016**

**I – PRELIMINARY**

**A. Call to Order:**

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by Tina McGann, President of the Board of Directors, at 6:30 p.m. at Enumclaw Middle School.

**B. Roll Call:**

All board members were present except Mr. Stanwood who was excused.

**II – COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. Enumclaw Middle School Presentation:**

Mr. Nelson introduced Enumclaw Middle School Principal Steve Rabb and Associate Administrator Paul Dumontet. Their presentation will set the flavor for work studies this year and our work toward board goals.

Mr. Rabb thanked the board for coming and said EMS is off to a great start to the year. He shared data recently received which showed student growth percentiles which were cause for celebration for EMS. In 2011, EMS was a school of focus for lack of achievement for special needs students. EMS has worked hard to raise the performance of their special ed and all students. The increase was significant and he expressed his appreciation to the entire EMS staff for their hard work which has resulted in a culture shift in 2013 that produced these significant increases in student performance. Mr. Rabb is delighted they can now celebrate growth, not just achievement. Students will be sharing this information with their parents during conference week.

Mr. Dumontet shared that he is very grateful to be in his position at EMS. He shared the EMS Focused Direction Map for 2016-17 with the board. The EMS mission is to maximize every student's learning each period. He also shared how EMS is working on district goals: 1) Improve student growth and achievement in literacy and numeracy and 2) Reduce the learning gap for all students. Their plan focuses on coherence and PLC plays an important part in the process. Staff wants EMS students prepared for the work that will be required at high school level so they will be working on their Beyond High School plan.

EMS counselor Kristina Grundmanis and student Hailey Ruiz shared about the Safe Schools Ambassadors program. Ms. Grundmanis shared it was her privilege to coordinate the summer training that included 28 students for two days. The group is now in five smaller family groups, which are led by teachers during SSR time. Hailey is one of the ambassadors. Ms. Grundmanis shared the precepts of the program. The goal is to increase student awareness for what is

happening around them and act when things are happening. It is the time to confront micro-aggressions which include exclusion, put-downs, etc. This was a great opportunity for students. Hailey shared that she noticed bullying and has now learned new actions to take when it happens. She likes using distraction and changing the topic. Hailey said this awareness has opened her eyes and she can share strategies with her friends. It is a very collaborative process. Mr. Nelson shared when the district worked with Charles Leitch, he recommended this program which has been implemented at both middle schools. It permeates through school culture and new students will be brought on board each year. Three years are required for sustainability. There will be outreach to 5<sup>th</sup> graders so incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be prepared to lead. Mrs. Merrill commented that the skills they are learning are good for adults. Mr. Rabb added that the students involved represent different peer groups. Mrs. McGann agreed, stating her son was selected to participate and it has been intense and impactful. She asked Hailey if she notices her peers listening more. Hailey said yes. Ms. Grundmanis stated that we start with ourselves and what our actions say. People then notice how we treat our peers. This eventually works into the community. Hailey concluded that the program has had a big impact on her life.

Mr. Rabb concluded the presentation with the following information:

- Continuing to build a school-wide community
- Drug and Alcohol Education is being addressed through a LifeSkills Grant which has a strong academic component in PE/Health classes beginning with 6<sup>th</sup> graders
- High School and Beyond Plan

Mrs. McGann commented that she appreciates the map and the content areas being addressed. Mrs. Schroeder said she will look forward to an update on the LifeSkills program. Mr. Nelson requested an update at the March board meeting.

Mrs. McGann expressed her excitement that special ed students will be celebrating their growth. Mr. Nelson said in order to see growth, we need data and only certain grade levels have that right now. Administrators have been given access to the available data.

## **B. Construction Update:**

Liz LeRoy presented a construction update to the board.

Black Diamond Elementary:

- Walls are going up
- A survey found a main waterline on district property. Decision was made to move it to the alley. This waterline did not show on any of the city plans.
- The D form will be filed this month (reimbursements from state match funds)
- Trees have been removed
- Concrete stem walks and slab on grade placed
- Framing is on-going
- Neighbor outreach continues
- Furniture selections are narrowed to Virco and Saxton Bradley

Enumclaw High School:

- Site work: north access will be open this week; power, data and vault trench work is ongoing
- Portables: set in place

- Culinary Arts: concrete slab infill occurring
- Budget and OSPI: construction review recommendations are very positive
- Constructability: next month the board will have the report and implementation plan on the agenda for approval. NAC will go over any changes with the board. Board will have the full plan before the meeting. NAC will have any changes/comments in the final plan.
- Bidding process: Advertised September 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. The optional walk-through was on September 27<sup>th</sup>. October 20<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> – bid opens with a board meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup>. OSPI deadline to accept Oct 27<sup>th</sup>.
- The board agreed to change the bid opens to October 25<sup>th</sup> with a special board meeting at 4:00 p.m. on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

Board discussion followed regarding construction.

### **III – EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mrs. McGann asked Mr. Nelson if an executive session was necessary. Mr. Nelson stated that no executive session was needed.

### **IV — BOARD PROCESS DEBRIEF**

Mr. Gamblin won't be able to attend the November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **V — ADJOURNMENT**

This meeting adjourned 8:25 p.m.

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President, Board of Directors

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Secretary, Board of Directors