



MINUTES

1. Call to Order, Regular Meeting 7 pm – President, Ellen Dodson called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm and led the Pledge to the Flag. The meeting was held at the Nooksack Tribal Offices.

Attendance: Board Members – Ellen Dodson; Jim Freeman; Russ Pfeiffer-Hoyt; David Smith.

Trish Hart was absent and excused

Certificated Administrators –Rick Gantman; Jim Frey; Trina Hall; Pat Bieber-Holmes; Laura Schonberg

- i. Oath of Office for Re-elected Board Members – The verbage was not available to swear in Ms Dodson, this will be done in a future meeting.
 - ii. Good of the Order – Attachment “B”
2. Approval of Minutes – December 13th Regular Meeting & Worksession (same evening). *Mr. Pfeiffer-Hoyt moved and Mr. Smith seconded the motion to approve the Minutes. Motion passed*
3. Consent Agenda – *Mr. Pfeiffer-Hoyt moved and Mr. Smith seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed.*
 - a. Personnel Actions – Attachment “A”
 - b. Surplus Personal Property – None
 - c. Overnight Trips –
 - i. Wrestling State @ Tacoma – February 14 & 15
 - d. Approval of Accounts Payable for January 08 and Payroll for December 07

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been made available to the Board. As of this day, January 10, 2008 the Board by a unanimous vote does approve the payment of those vouchers included in the above list and further described as follows: ASB Fund vouchers #149 – 158 in the total amount of \$3,892.20; ASB Fund vouchers #159 – 172 in the total amount of \$18,674.79; Capital Projects Fund voucher #1211 in the total amount of \$140.00; General Fund vouchers #18189 – 18258 in the total amount of \$51, 262.60; General Fund vouchers #18412 - 19514 in the total amount of \$142,412.98 and Private Purpose Trust Fund vouchers #104495 – 104496 in the total amount of \$310.55.

4. Information from Board Members
Report on School Board Goals – School Board Portfolio – The portfolio provides accountability for progress the board is making in achieving its goals. School Board members attended and/or took part in:
 - Visit to Kendall Elementary School Science Classroom
 - WSSDA Math Standards Discussion
 - Levy Task Force
 - Scholarship Foundation Meeting
 - Observed British School Children
5. Information from the Audience – None
6. Presentations – Trina Hall, Curriculum Director, provided an overview of the upcoming Curriculum Review process. Two task force groups will be formed to work on the focus areas – K – 12 Math and Health & Fitness. Members of the groups will consist of parents/guardians, community members and district staff.

7. Action Items –

a. Indian Education

- i. Impact Aid – Pat Bieber-Holmes explained that Federal Impact Aid is meant to supplant property taxes for students whose parents live or work on Federal Lands.

Public Hearing – At 8:00 pm Ms Dodson opened a *Public Hearing* to receive input from Tribal members regarding access to educational services and programs in Mt Baker Schools by Nooksack Tribe students. Ms Holmes-Bieber said that native students take advantage of after school home-work help at the junior and senior high schools.

- ii. Title VII – Ms. Bieber-Holmes talked about Title VII funds, which provide funding for & support exclusively for Native Students. The board heard from staff members whose positions are funded with Title VII monies, about their work with Native students.

At 8:25 pm Ms Dodson closed the hearing.

- b. Consideration of Proposal for Maintenance & Operations Levy 2008 – 2012 (Resolution #07/08:10) – Dr. Gantman introduced the Levy proposal and provided an overview and background. A Levy Task Force has been formed and is working to provide information to the community about the need for the levy.

Public Hearing – At 8:45 pm Ms Dodson opened a *Public Hearing* to receive comments from the audience. Staff in attendance supported approval of the Resolution and Levy proposal.

At 8:45 pm Ms Dodson closed the Hearing. *Mr. Pfeiffer-Hoyt moved and Mr. Freeman seconded the motion to approve Resolution #07/08:10. Motion passed.* The vote date for the levy will be March 11, 2008

8. Policy – #6570 Property, Data and Records Management – Dr. Gantman recommended the board accept the policy for 2nd reading and adoption. *Mr. Freeman moved and Mr. Pfeiffer-Hoyt seconded the motion to approve for 2nd reading and adoption. Motion passed*

9. Reports –

- a. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Gantman presented the Superintendent's Report; items include:

- Harmony Elementary Principalship
- M & O Levy
- Nooksack River Deming Dike
- Timber Ridge High School Update
- Lake Whatcom Watershed
- Capital Facilities Plan
- Levy Task Force
- Superintendent's *Fireside Chats*
- Mayor Pike – Timber Funds

- b. Business Manager's Report –

- Denise Ellis, Business Manager, provided a verbal report.

10. Meeting(s) Schedule – All meetings begin at 7 pm in the District Office unless otherwise noted

- a. Work sessions & Special Meetings –

- Thursday, January 24

- b. Regular Meetings

- Thursday, January 10 @ Nooksack Tribal Offices

11. Executive Session – There was no Executive Session. At 9:35 pm Ms Dodson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ellen Dodson, President

ATTEST:

Richard Gantman, Superintendent