The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by chair, Mike Gould.

PRESENT

Directors: LuAnn Rogers, Mike Gould, Sarah Martin, Jack McKay, Robert Bunker
Administrative Assistant: Traci Meacham
Administrators: Jason Lynch
Superintendent: Rick Thompson

Sarah Martin made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2018 board meeting; Robert Bunker seconded; motion carried. (5-0)

Mike Gould announced the upcoming Superintendent Evaluation and the goal to identify what is being done to establish what is possible.

The agenda was amended to include a discussion on the March 12, 2018 student walkout.

Robert Bunker made a motion to approve the agenda; LuAnn Rogers seconded; motion carried. (5-0)

Sarah Martin made a motion to approve the consent agenda; LuAnn Rogers seconded; motion carried. (5-0)

CONSENT AGENDA

Personnel
• Classified Resignation: Dianna Ellis, Administrative Assistant, 8 hours
• Certificated Retirement: Beth Krehbiel, Speech/Language Pathologist, .5 FTE

Accounts Payable
• ASB Fund #1126-1128 $ 1,912.42
• ASB Fund #1129 $ 100.00
• General Fund #47678-47705 $ 19,060.77
• General Fund #47706-47731 $ 47,550.25
• Capital Projects #151-153 $ 23,111.95
• Capital Projects #154-155 $ 4,908.90

Gift Acceptance
• McKinney Vento gift for $2,380 from Jefferson County Realtors Association
• Rifton Pacer Gait Trainer valued at $2,500 from Amie & Jake Haskins

Policies Info
SBP 6505: Video Surveillance, 1st Reading - Approval

GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION

Superintendent, Rick Thompson recognized the five students who received North Olympic League Awards: Maddison Boyd, Owen Brummel, Emily Calkins, Nate Miller, and Maria Powell.
It was also noted that Owen Brummel is the recipient of the Agnes Berge Smith Scholarship, as well as a merit scholarship. Though the family was not present during the board meeting, they asked Superintendent Thompson to thank Chimacum Schools for supporting Owen.

Rick also shared the generosity of Marilyn Chadwell and her donations to Back Pack for Kids, a program sponsored by Peace Lutheran Church.

Superintendent Thompson stressed the importance of Good News and Recognition items and requested to receive notice when there are community members to celebrate.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

CES School Improvement Plan
Principal Jason Lynch was joined by School Improvement Team (SIT) members Jim Betteley, Mitch Brennan, Joyce Coile, Nicole Funk, and Sherry Glessing. The SIT focuses on students and families from start to finish, and looks at common threads to enhance the building of relationships. They include the Safe & Civil Schools Foundation, incorporate high expectations and interpret data to meet students where they are.

Mitch Brennan discussed the improvements made by way of the Positive Behavioral Intervention & Supports (PBIS) culture, and support from Intervention Specialist, Maggie Schultz. There has been an increase in supervision, anti-bullying interventions, additional behavioral techniques, and improved attendance records.

Absences and the number of unexcused days have decreased.

Chimacum Elementary has added a number of incentives for positive behavior, as well as before and after school opportunities. The Veterans of Foreign War and Mason partnerships have supported a monthly bike drawing, and Mr. Orr has created an award system for best attendance. There is now tutoring offered three days per week, as well as a Cribbage Club and Coding Club. AAUW is now using curriculum-specific materials to coordinate with current Math goals.

Joyce Coile shared that there is a new PTA in place and they’re beginning to meet more regularly. The turnout has improved due to efforts to coordinate PTA meetings with other activities.

The SIT Team confirmed that there is ongoing communication with Chimacum Creek Primary to ensure the consistency of academic and behavioral expectations.

Director, Jack McKay inquired about the percentage of days spent preparing for tests and if tutoring was available. Jason Lynch confirmed no one is teaching to the test.

The SIT Team confirmed that they would like to see the Superintendent and Board visit classrooms on a regular basis.

This is the final School Improvement Plan presentation for 2017-2018.

Robert Bunker made a motion to approve the CES School Improvement Plan; Luann Rogers seconded; motion carried. (5-0)

Financial Update
Superintendent Rick Thompson presented a financial update.

Director Mike Gould attended an entry conference with state audit staff on February 13, 2018. The board was updated on the cost, purpose, and timeline of the audit.
Financial considerations involved ASB budgets, the high school roof procurement, IT security, small assets, and cash receipting.

An exit conference will be held at 3:00 PM on March 15 to go over the details found of the annual audit for 2016-2017.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Welcome to Traci Meacham
Traci will be working with the Superintendent and School Board, among other duties.

Safe and Civil Schools Training February 13 and 14
Rick Thompson shared the district-wide training in school climate and behavior, which recently took place in all schools. Safe and Civil schools is part of a district-wide Positive Behavioral Intervention System (PBIS). He is pleased with the growth between October and February.

It is known that there needs to be more intense focus on those who are “tapping the system,” and in increase in Mental Health support so that the district can provide better resources and interventions.

Emergency Preparedness
Rick Thompson updated the board on Emergency Preparedness and shared that he has directly received questions from a few parents. Improvements to the Threat Assessment Protocol was discussed. The district is practicing drills and increasing communication and reporting. The goal is to use available technologies more effectively.

We have a partnership with the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Department, cameras, emergency flip charts, threat protocol, communications systems, disclosure system, and staff reporting procedures. We’re working on increasing our partnership with the local law enforcement, addressing specific facility needs, improving communications on all levels, consistently responding to threats, utilizing ESD114 safety resources, continuing PBIS training, and supporting student voice.

The best defense is when the community cares enough to report something before it happens.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Student Walkout, March 14 and April 20
Mike Gould opened the discussion that he’s been receiving phone calls directly from concerned parents regarding the walkout.

An open discussion was held regarding the details surrounding the potential complications of the upcoming student walkout, i.e. structure and organization, concern of students leaving campus, excused versus unexcused absence reporting, and safety. Disruptions will not be allowed.

Chimacum will refer to OSPI, Department of Education, WEA, and AASA for guidance.

March 14 is one month from the Parkland shooting and April 20 is the nine-year anniversary of Columbine. The length of time should be finite, 20-30 minutes. The first 18 minutes are expected to be a moment of silence.

A Jefferson County Deputy has been notified of the situation.
Chimacum School District staff members are expected to remain neutral and should not talk to the press. Their role is strictly supervisory and remain behind the students.

There must be communication with the parents and a message added to the district and specific school websites.

Students from both Chimacum High School and Middle School are talking about participating.

A student letter supporting the nature of the walkout was submitted by Aurora Plunkett and read aloud to the board and community by Superintendent Rick Thompson.

Mike Gould stated that a policy should be created specifically for events such as a walkout, and as of right now, there is not an existing policy that applies.

The consensus of the board was that students have the right to express their opinions, and this experience can and should be a positive learning activity. They suggested an inclusive school assembly could be used to educate and announce expectations.

**Board Goals**

The board shared information from their February 10 work session / retreat where they discussed and reviewed the current five board goals, and revised those goals to better reflect the vision of the district. The board agreed to continue working on substance of each specific goal and will adopt the final draft in March.

**SBD 1105 Director Districts**

It is the responsibility of the board of directors to establish the boundaries of the internal director districts of the school district, and to redistrict the direct districts as necessary. The board of directors, with the assistance of the administration, the educational service district, the state redistricting commission and consultants (e.g., attorneys, demographic experts, etc.) as appropriate, will discuss the possible division or redistricting of the district.

It was suggested that SBD 1105 does not need to be included in future board agendas. If Chimacum moves forward with redistricting, it is expected to be added to a future ballot. The Census will do this automatically and at no charge in 2020.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION (RCW 42.30.110(g))**

The board moved to a five minute recess at 8:15 PM with executive session to follow for an estimated 60 minutes to discuss personnel with no action anticipated.

The meeting reconvened for Executive Session at 8:20 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM.

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Rick Thompson      Board Chair
Superintendent/Secretary to the Board