The meeting was called to order by Chair Kristina Mayer at 5:00 PM.

Present
Directors: Dr. Kristina Mayer, Tami Robocker, Mickey Nagy and Sarah Martin
Secretary: Dr. David Engle, Acting Superintendent
Administrative Assistant: Traci Meacham
Administrator: Art Clarke, Kyle Ehlis
Zoom Audience: 18 members

Dr. Kristina Mayer opened the meeting with an overview of the agenda, announcing the interviews for Director District 5.

Chair Mayer asked for amendments to the board agenda. No amendments were made. Mickey Nagy made a motion to approve the agenda as presented; Tami Robocker seconded; motion carried. (4-0)

Interviews
Wilma Hackman and Kathryn Lamka were interviewed. They introduced themselves and gave information on their background before answering the following interview questions:
1. What motivates you to want to become a Board member?
2. What is your vision for education in this community?
3. What do you see as the primary work of the Board? How should the Board decide what’s most important?
4. What kind of relationship should the district/Board have with its community? With its parents and families?
5. As part of the public relations role played by the Board, how would you handle the requests of individuals or special interest groups?

Recess and Executive Session
Following the interviews, the Board recessed for 16 minutes before moving to Executive Session at 5:50 PM for an estimated 10 minutes with possible action to follow.

Resume Public Meeting
The meeting reconvened from executive session at 6:00 PM.

Chair Kristina Mayer entertained a motion for appointment of Director District 5. Mickey Nagy made a motion to appoint Kathryn Lamka as District 5 Director; Kristina Mayer seconded; motion carried. (4-0).

Kathryn Lamka was welcomed to the Chimacum School Board of Directors at 6:02 PM and Dr. David Engle facilitated the Oath of Office. Lamka will sign the Oath of Office on September 24, 2020.

Dr. Mayer entered a motion to approve the minutes. Tami Robocker made a motion to approve the minutes from September 9 and 15; Mickey Nagy seconded; motion carried. (4-0) Kathryn Lamka abstained; she was not present for those meetings.

Consent Agenda

Personnel
Classified Resignation: Sharlene Smith, Administrative Assistant/Registrar

Accounts Payable
General Fund #4902136-4902162, $79,055.38
General Fund #4902163-4902175, $29,209.18
Capital Projects #384-387, $19,308.77
Capital Projects #388-390, $190,096.99
Minimum Basic Education Requirement Compliance Report (M808)

Chair Mayer asked the board for any questions about the consent agenda. Director Robocker noted she did not receive the M808 report in a timely manner and was unable to review it prior to the meeting, and she asked clarifying questions. Dr. Mayer removed the M808 report from the consent agenda so questions could be addressed prior to a vote on the document.

Mickey Nagy made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the removal of the Minimum Basic Education Requirement Compliance Report (M808); Tami Robocker seconded; motion carried. (4-0) Kathryn Lamka abstained; she did not receive the documents to review.

The Board discussed the M808, specifically with reference to senior projects and which course addresses the projects. Director Robocker requested the report be modified to include reference to the class overseeing senior culminating projects. Dr. David Engle noted he will confirm which course is specific to this senior requirement.

Chair Mayer asked for a motion approving the Minimum Basic Education Requirement Compliance Report (M808) as corrected to include the senior culminating project course specification. Tami Robocker made a motion to approve the M808 as corrected; Mickey Nagy seconded; motion carried. (4-0) Kathryn Lamka abstained because she was not present to review the document.

Good News and Recognition

Silver Spurs Award: Dr. David Engle recognized Carrie Beebe for going above and beyond the duties of Athletic Director. She’s has assisted the IT Department with computer distribution.

YMCA Letter of Thanks: Dr. Engle read the thank you letter received from the Jefferson County YMCA.

Public Comment

Teacher, Heidi Johnson appreciated Art Clarke, Stephanie Mc Cleary, and the CEA Executive Board for their work on bargaining. She noted PBIS is continuing at CCP and CES, which is leading to noticeable improvements. Johnson thanked Principal Kyle Ehlis for his leadership.

Teacher, Ann Abraham welcomed Kathryn Lamka. She commented on monthly meetings between the CEA union and district, and the benefits of the opportunity to communicate.

Teacher, Brian McKenzie said he is excited to see a 4-day/week in-person option is available for students who do not have internet at home. It’s a small cohort with room to recruit others.

Student Director Report

Eugenia Frank is working on opening the lines of communication and expected to receive more input from Junior/Senior High students regarding school opening and experiences - she will continue efforts in reaching students to encourage them to let their voice be heard. A Google site has been created to accumulate student opinion, but it remains devoid of input.

Ava Vaughan-Mifsud thanked the community for supporting the school and programming. She updated the Board on CJSHS clubs, noting the ASB is discussing online alternatives and fundraising. The InterAct Club is holding meetings outdoors and looking to recruit students who would like to make a difference. September 28 is the first day of Running Start; there are a large percentage of students who are participating in off-campus learning opportunities.

Information Reports: Ready! For Kindergarten Program

Principal Kyle Ehlis confirmed CCP strives to invite parents of children birth-5 years to 3 workshops a year during fall, winter, and spring; 8 to 10 families participated in fall 2019. (COVID cancelled additional workshops.) The program provides tool kits and lesson plans that focus on cognitive, language, and social/emotional skill development. Online modules will be released this year the end of October, which parents will complete prior to receiving tool kits. Principal Ehlis receives notification when parents complete a module so he knows when to hand out materials. Ready! For K will be offered during winter and spring as well; families will be recruited by way of fliers in the mail, the website, Facebook, the Jefferson Early Learning Coalition, and notifying childcares. CCP coordinates with a team of five teachers from South
Kitsap School District to implement the program.

Discussions were held pertaining to Ready! For Kindergarten vs. transitional Kindergarten. Ehlis confirmed he anticipates reaching out to other districts, such as Bellingham, to investigate similar offerings. Chair Mayer noted similarities to ECEAP and Head Start. Director Robocker asked if full-day Kindergarten will be offered. Ehlis confirmed yes.

Superintendent’s Report
Dr. David Engle reported enrollment is down by 12.8%, which is a significant decline. Some parents are delaying Kindergarten for a year. Director Nagy inquired about homeschool and choosing out of district. Engle confirmed Washington State gives the option to be enrolled elsewhere. The Leadership Team will be contacting people to seek solutions and invite students back into the district. The State requires children to be enrolled in school by age 8.

Efforts are being made to recapture students. Emphasis is on programming and beginning October 5, the district will offer full-day Kindergarten. High School cohort groups now include a group of students who do not have internet at home. Students with credit deficiency are now participating the Edgenuity program for credit recovery. Offering Foods and Horticulture on Wednesdays is being discussed. Engle announced teacher, Charlie Fornia, coaches eSports, which is offered to Junior/Senior High students.

The district is responding and adapting, offering differentiated instruction in music and PE, and making changes in food service, maintenance and custodial, transportation, and tech support. English Language Arts is the next scheduled curriculum adoption. There is also a focus on curriculum work and professional development in racial literacy and cultural competency. The 7-8 staff is meeting to discuss improving opportunities using community resources. CEL support is in place for principals and Leadership, and the Title IIA grant is providing funds for professional development. Surface Pros are being provided to staff.

YMCA will begin offering services at Chimacum sometime in October, which will provide additional support to working families.

Coronavirus is being taken seriously and the district meets with the Jefferson County Health Department on a regular basis. Two employees have been tested; zero positive results.

Additional Updates
- We received a visit from a Legislative photographer who captured images of hybrid learning in action.
- Gleaners are providing mass quantities of local produce to the schools.
- The University of Washington visited Chimacum and will be installing a Pacific Northwest Seismic Network on campus to monitor the South Whidbey Island fault - an exciting learning opportunity for Chimacum students and addition to district science program offerings. The install involves a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), drilling down, concrete, and safety measures; it will begin in spring.
- There are 58 students involved in Marine Biology this year.

Dr. Engle stressed holding a position of hope, not despair.

Public Comment
Teacher, Heidi Johnson recognized Paraeducators and teachers. She appreciates the College in the High School program, which her children are participating in, and is thankful there is a grant coming to offset costs for Sophmores. Johnson commented on Pi enrollment and staffing.

Teacher, Ann Abraham said teachers are spending hours producing videos and lessons, and reaching students. She thanked Paraeducators, Melinda Miller, and David Engle for reaching out to staff who can help facilitate professional development opportunities.

Board Update
Superintendent Search: Chair Kristina Mayer announced search consultant, Hank Harris, and Human Capital Enterprises was selected. The first collaborative kick-off meeting will be held October 6 to affirm the timeline community engagement plans.
Legislative Assembly Update: Director Tami Robocker asked the Board to confirm 10 to 15 priorities. Priorities worth highlighting include equity statements and fully funding staff. Discussions with the Board included WSSDA’s priority list, changes in Legislative approach, taxes, budget, and equity-based levy funding and limitations. Chair Mayer stressed there is an immediate need for funding to increase counseling and social/emotional support due to COVID. Board members are asked to send their list of priorities to Director Robocker.

Board Calendar: Dr. Kristina Mayer noted the shift to work-study sessions the first meeting of each month, which lends to more flexibility in the calendar and in-depth exploration of topics. The Board Calendar should include JCEP and Superintendent Search meetings.

Additional Discussion:
Mickey Nagy commented on remote learning and noted the community is asking when school will fully reopen and how will it be communicated. Superintendent Engle noted attestations are happening and the district is maintaining vigilance; Chimacum is one of very few districts that opened with students in person in comparison to Kitsap County where they opened all remote and are now looking at how to offer in-person learning.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 PM

Acting Superintendent ___________ Board Chair ___________