



Across the Board September 2, 2010

Welcome back from what we hope was a restful and enjoyable summer break! Your Board of Directors is excited at the prospect of a new school year and all the opportunities it provides for students and staff to learn and explore new things together!

We've been hard at work this summer reviewing District policies, aligning them to new state and federal mandates, awarding food services and after school care contracts and in general, preparing for the new school year.

Sodexo Food Services will continue providing food services for students. This contract contains a requirement for a better, healthier menu. We would like to thank Fitness and Nutrition Committee members for all their hard work. We have approved opportunities for after school care through the Comfort and Cozy Childcare Learning Center and the Clallam County YMCA.

This school year will be challenging. The threat of state and federal budget cuts looms over all of us. These funding cuts threaten our ability to provide quality programs, and manageable class size. This Board will do all within its power, to keep class sizes down and provide you the resources you and our students need to be successful.

Welcome to our new teachers, staff members and administrators! Welcome to our new student Director, Connor Spurr! We know you will enjoy working with Port Angeles School District staff and students. Please, don't hesitate to ask any of them, or us, if you need help navigating in our schools or Port Angeles! Thanks for joining our District team!

Board President Lonnie Linn

Other News

[Measurement of Student Progress and High School Proficiency Exam Scores Released](#)

[District Does not Make AYP](#)

[District Policy Work](#)

Many thanks to the Policy Review Committee members, administrative staff and Michelle Pace for your work on updates of our District policies! *You can view these policies, and more, on the [District website](#).*

[Continuous School Improvement Plans Report 3 Presented](#)

The Board of Directors reviewed CSIP key elements included in the reports from principals and support services administrators at our June 28 Board meeting. *View your school reports [here](#).*
Thanks for your great work on the CSIPs!

[Sodexo Awarded Food Services Contract](#)

[2010-11 Calendar Revised](#)

2010-11 Budget Approved by Board on August 23

Copies of the budget are available for review at the Port Angeles School District Central Services Building and will be posted to the PASD website soon! Or, visit [BoardDocs](#) and “Enter Public Site;” click on August 23, 2010 meeting, then “View Agenda.” Scroll to 10. Action Items/Resolution 0910-26, Adoption of 2010-11 Operating budgets. Click on pdfs under “Agenda Item Details” to view budget information.

Board to Consider Resolution for February 2011 M&O Levy at Meeting on September 13

Watch the PASD website for [Levy News!](#)

Committees and Task Force Reports Presented

Assistant Superintendent Michelle Reid presented reports in July and August on behalf of the following committees: Instructional Materials, Truancy Outreach, Assessment, Highly Capable, Nutrition and Fitness. Visit the [PASD website](#) to view the most recent reports.

Property Appraisal Report Posted on Board Docs

Visit [BoardDocs](#) and “Enter Public Site;” click on July 12, 2010 meeting, then “View Agenda.” Scroll to 9. Business/Financial Reports/PASD and click on pdfs under “Agenda Item Details” to view appraisals.

Let’s Hear from You!

Send an email to info@portangelesschools.org. Join us for an upcoming [school board meeting!](#)

Congratulations and Thank You!

We know the reason for student success is largely due to teacher and staff support. Let’s celebrate our students, and your, success!

★ Thanks to First Step Family Support Center and Sodexo Food Services for your work on the [Free Summer Lunch Program](#) offer to Port Angeles children!

★ Congratulations to Stevens Middle School teacher Melissa McBride who has been chosen as [Regional Teacher of the Year!](#)

★ Jennifer Duncan-Taylor was selected as a [NOAA Teacher in the Lab](#). Congratulations, Jennifer!

★ Please give a round of applause to students who “voiced” our KONP Radio Back to School announcements – Josh Hill from Jefferson Elementary, Corbin Brabant and Jordan Negus from Port Angeles High School, and Sydney Negus from Stevens Middle School. Great job, students!

★ Thanks to Janis Bane, brainchild behind the scene, for getting our PAHS and SMS athletics sign ups online this year. We know it took a lot of work and we appreciate the time and savings we’ll now reap as benefits. Thanks also to Tina Smith-O’Hara and Rob Edwards for your assistance to Janis!

★ Kudos to JoAnn Lewis for the recent awarding of the NASPE/ING grant for Roosevelt Elementary. You’ll hear more about this grant when it’s announced this week! *Go, Blue Thunder!*

★ Many of your Board members attended the *Back to School* event for Port Angeles students at Jefferson last weekend! Director Sarah Methner served as a “navigator” to Port Angeles families the entire time! Thanks to Sarah and all the volunteers and sponsors who made this event so successful. We’re looking forward to next year’s event!

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