



Across the Board February 2, 2011

Your School Board Directors have been actively involved in the February 8 maintenance and operations campaign in December and January. We hope you have remembered to vote! Thank you to all the volunteers that have worked so many countless hours on behalf of our students providing education and informing our community about our upcoming replacement maintenance and operation levy. Please let each volunteer know of our appreciation. We anxiously look forward to the February 8 vote outcome.

Our work also continues on strategic plan development. On January 18 Board members and the District leadership team met with Kenneth Jones from WSSDA to build on the work of the December Education Summit. Through much discussion we came up with a draft to begin our work. We'll meet again on Tuesday, March 8 from 3:00 to 7:00 at CSB. All strategic plan developments will be posted to the [District website](#).

We're watching the scene in Olympia very closely and it's no doubt that our District will be impacted once again by our State financial situation. We will keep you informed as we learn details. Several of your School Board Directors, Superintendent, School Board Student Representative and Port Angeles High School ASB President will be making the trip to Olympia on February 27 and 28 to meet with our legislators about how important education is in our community and to advocate on behalf of our students, staff and community. I will be meeting with our federal legislators in Washington, D.C. next week, along with other School Board Directors from across our State, to advocate and educate how the decisions they make in the other Washington affect our students.

Thank you for everything you do on a daily basis for our Port Angeles students and community!

Board President Cindy Kelly

Other News

[Enrollment Report and Outlook](#)

The District's total enrollment for January 2011 (not including Skills Center or Running Start) is 3,624.05 FTE. This is 95.29 FTE fewer than last year at this time but is 35.79 FTE students above budget. The budget is based upon the average FTE over the entire school year. The Enrollment Report is posted monthly to the [District website](#).

Donations and Grants Received this Month

★ [David Price, owner of Price Ford Lincoln-Mercury](#), was recognized by the Board of Directors the company's donation of the proceeds from the *Drive One 4 UR School* program to the Port Angeles High School athletic program.

★ The First Presbyterian Church was recognized for donating \$2,000 to Hamilton Elementary School for the purchase of school or library supplies.

★ The Port Angeles Education Foundation is donating \$12,500 in grant awards toward 12 projects in the district. Award list posted on the [District website](#). Congratulations to recipients!

School Principals Present Report 1 for CSIPS

You may view Report 1 presented by your principals to the Board - now posted on the [District website](#).

Policy Updates and Approvals by the Board

The Board has studied and approved the following policy updates: 4315-Release of Information Concerning Sexual & Kidnapping Offenders; 5005 - Employment Disclosures, Certification Requirement, Assurances, & Approval; 5050 - Contracts; 5406 - Leave Sharing. You may view all policies on the [District website](#).

Congratulations and Thank You!

★ Congratulations, Chuck Lisk – We just heard the news yesterday! Washington State Middle Level Principal of the Year for 2011!

★ [Congratulations to Lori Esget](#), SMS counselor, who has been recognized by the Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board for her assistance in registering Stevens students for the College Bound Scholarship program. She has assisted over 70% of eligible Stevens students. The state average is 40% for the past two years.

★ Congratulations to [Jolene Dalton Gailey and Douglas Gailey](#) on their *Teaching Music* feature *Side By Side* in the January 2011 issue of the magazine.

★ Once again, [congratulations to Gloria Bond](#) for her appointment to the Washington State Birth-to-Grade 12 Literacy Team. The Board honored her at its January 24 meeting.

★ Congratulations to [Lambert Grimes, KONP Radio's January Teacher](#) of the Month!

★ Kudos for a wonderful [2010 Academic Awards Night at PAHS](#) – 243 student awards were announced by National Honor Society members. See [list of awards](#).

★ Thanks to our staff and community members for your amazing organization and hosting for another fantastic visit from Mutsu City, Japan!

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