Washington School Principals' Education Foundation (WSPEF) WINTER BOARD MEETING Saturday, January 25, 2025 DoubleTree Southcenter

SUMMARY MINUTES

- 1. The Board meeting was called to order on Saturday, January 25, 2025, at 11:05 a.m. by President Woody Howard.
- 2. Stephanie Teel moved, and Kim Doughty seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2024, board meeting. Motion passed.

Financial Update

- 3. WSPEF has 9.39 months of cash on hand under standard operations.
- 4. Cash reserve calculated at \$1,081,530; target cash on hand as of January 23, 2025, is \$1,915,518.
- 5. AWSL/Learning Centers General Ledger (GL) Cash: \$2,997,048.
- 6. Total bank cash across all accounts: \$5,874,973.

WSPEF Strategic Updates

- 7. The board reviewed progress on the *Grow, Support, and Sustain* initiative with a focus on the 2023-2026 Action Plans:
 - a. Cispus Camp Development
 - b. Outdoor School Programming
 - c. Credit-Bearing Opportunities
 - d. Student Leadership Development

Program Reports and Highlights

- 8. Outdoor Schools WA
 - a. OSPI support increased for the 2023-2025 biennium
 - b. Capital Campaign: Bill introduced to support infrastructure grants
 - c. Fall training held at Camp Casey, Camp Gifford, and Loon Lake.
 - d. Kickoff of National Science Foundation grant.
 - e. Development of Overnight Outdoor School Leadership Institute.
 - f. Release of Volunteer Chaperone Guide.
- 9. AWSL
 - a. Completion of Needs Assessment Project and Report.
 - b. Ongoing support from:
 - i. Gates Foundation
 - ii. Budget Proviso (promoting student voice, working toward student councils in all 40 legislative districts)
 - iii. Migrant Education Program
 - iv. La Cima Bill (proviso)

- c. Next steps include refined messaging and hiring of a new Associate Director of Programs.
- 10. Cispus Learning Center
 - a. Usage Data:
 - i. 11,809 users, totaling 41,920 user days.
 - ii. User breakdown: 21% adults, 52% elementary students, 27% high school students.
 - iii. Hosted E3 Washington conference in partnership with Hanford McCloud, with 120+ attendees.
 - b. Facilities & Upgrades:
 - i. Long-term lease agreements with the U.S. Forest Service valid through 2050.
 - ii. 2024 upgrades underway, including kitchen and dining improvements, facility maintenance, and safety enhancements.
 - c. Grants and Contributions:
 - i. \$129,000 in grants from several organizations, including the Puyallup and Nisqually Tribes, Dawkins Charitable Trust, and others.
 - ii. AmeriCorps support for incorporating Native American Education spaces.
 - iii. Youth Mental Health and Water Ecology initiatives supported by community and business collaborations.
 - d. Programs Offered:
 - i. Challenge Courts (High & Low), Archery, Intro Rockwall Climbing, Ecology-based programming, and Native American Education modules.

The WSPEF Board meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Next WSPEF Board Meeting

June 21, 2025 The Grand, Spokane WA

MEETING ATTENDANCE

<u>Board Members</u>: Woody Howard, Kim Doughty, Heather Hastie-Ulery, Thomasina Rogers, Justin Pierce, Terrie Garrison, Laina Walker, Kelley Boyd, Scott Seaman

Budget Committee Chair: Stephanie Teel

AWSP Staff: Greg Barker, Scott Friedman, Kim Marquette, David Morrill, Gina Yonts, Kamrica Ary-

Turner, Andi Mounts, Chase Buffington

<u>Guests</u>: Jason Smith, Dave Riddle, Tom Adams, Enrique Romero, Patrick Vincent, Kim Doepker, Marty Atkins, Brian Vance, Tami McCracken

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Kim Marquette, Operations Director

Approved by WSPEF Board___June 21, 2025_____date/__km__/initials/