

Washington School Principals' Education Foundation (WSPEF)  
FALL BOARD MEETING  
Friday, October 1, 2021  
Virtual

**SUMMARY MINUTES**

The Board meeting was called to order by President Chris Visserman at 8:00 am.

**Minutes from the Board meeting held June 23, 2021, were approved as presented.**

**Structures**

A. Mission statement – discussion and adjustment:

The WSPEF mission is to create extraordinary learning opportunities for each and every student to excel – inside and outside the classroom – by providing student and school leaders with resources to excel.

**Tricia Kannberg moved that we approve the mission statement as adjusted and Aaron Fletcher seconded motion. Motion passed.**

B. Vision Statement – discussion and adjustment:

**\*\*Students achieve success through innovative thinking, dynamic opportunities and access to inspiring possibilities and where diverse communities work together in support of schools across Washington state.**

**Dave Riddle moved and Heather Renner seconded to approve the vision statement as written. Motion passed.**

C. Beliefs –

We believe children at all grade levels have potential to become leaders in their neighborhoods, schools, and communities. Through social-emotional learning and environmental education, we strive to support the whole child in their social and academic growth.

Spending time outdoors connects children with the environment and helps them develop a stewardship and conservation mindset. As students learn about their place in the natural world, they discover a future for themselves as advocates, organizers, and contributing members to society.

We plan, implement, and evaluate our practices through a justice, equity, and inclusive lens. Diversity is an indicator of environmental health (and organizational health). It is also how we judge our organizational health.

Through our student programs, we are purposeful in our development of students as leaders, helping them to find the power of their voices. We encourage and support them, as they become influences for good in their communities, their cultures, and the world.

**Kelley Boyd moved to approve the belief statement as amended, Aaron Fletcher seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

#### D. Articles of Incorporation/Bylaws-

Review of current articles of incorporation and discussion about board of directors.

\*Will add "3 additional board members to the board of directors"

**Amend the articles to change "a person" to "x" number of persons with no direct affiliation with emphasis on individuals with experience in x, y, z etc. Expand board to include a few more people, TBD 3-5 ppl, and next meeting will continue the discussion at the next meeting to determine who those people are.**

**Kelley Boyd moved to amend the Board of Directors portion of the bylaws and to present a cleaned-up version at the next meeting to add additional members to the board of directors. Eric Anderson seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

Change Article VI: Director Elections to say "Persons" with no direct affiliation to AWSP shall serve for two years with their appointment by the AWSP Executive Board.

Amendment to replace all pronouns appropriately and change person to persons.

**Tricia Kannberg moved to change the pronouns and Kelley Boyd seconded the motion to change pronouns. Motion passed.**

**Aaron Fletcher moved to change from "a person, to persons," Kelley Boyd seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

Article VII – Foundation Executive Committee was included in the motion from June.

New Article VII – Managing Director (Lead Executive position)

Section 1: Primary Function

- To serve the Foundation as its employed administrator in all matters relating to the management, professional, legislative, communication, and public relations aspects of the organization. These functions may be delegated, as necessary.

Section 2:

- The Managing Director for the Foundation shall be employed by the Executive Committee and be evaluated annually by the AWSP Executive Director, in consultation with the Executive Committee.

**Kelley Boyd moved to approve the amendments of Articles of Incorporation as written as amended and Heather Renner seconded the motion.**

#### **Financial Report**

Year to date cash on hand as of September 28, 2021

Total cash: \$1,338.150.

Targeted cash reserve

Projections:

- AWSL current cash balance as of August 25, 2021, is \$717,089. Estimated cash balance as of 12/31/21 of \$437,678  
Estimated 1/1/22 cash balance of \$437,678 with an estimated cash balance on 12/31/22 of \$307,901.57
- Cispus current cash balance \$321,206 with estimated 12/21 cash balance of \$159,530  
Estimated 12/22 cash balance of (\$394.869)

Looking for grants & requests to help with revenue resources

The 2022 budget was reviewed.

**Heather Renner moved to approve the budget; Kelley Boyd seconded the motion to approve the budget. Motion passed.**

### Program Updates

Outdoor School – History of outdoor school was shared. Mission statement has been developed.

- Vision statement shared.
- Site Grant apps & how the money is being spent was shared. \$1,500,000 for site grants for site grants for the non-recoverable costs associated with starting up after the past 18 months. Initial grant cycle will cap each grant at \$25,000.
- Grant requests include demographics, programs, schools served, etc.
- (Refer to the documents in BC)
- Reimbursements
- Data Collection – Information collected from schools about outdoor education.

### AWSL Report – 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary

- 21 programs were done in August
- Started camp planning for 2022
- Summer Leadership series a success
- Drum Major Program
- Future-Focused Educator Summit (Student panel)
- AWSP Pro Learning (Tacoma SC)
- WF West Cheer @ Cispus
- Traveling Ropes courses to Yakima & Centralia
- Riverside HS – Freshman & New Student Orientation
- ASB/Leadership in lots of schools
- Equity
- Reimagining Recess (14 schools since June)
- Upcoming:
  - Fall conference, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> at Oak Harbor HS
  - La Chispa – district & school only
  - MLK Assembly
  - Reimagining & reincorporating recess training
  - Equity/School Culture Training
  - Student Voice!

Cispus-

- Water quality inspection passed
- Focus moving forward is to continue to find new avenues to educate, develop programs, and share that the outdoors is a great place to develop community, complete curriculum, and heal. The staff have collaborated with Outdoor Schools Washington and Health Commons to boost our Covid testing.
- 762 user days
- Replacement of gym doors
- Water system completed
- New roof on the Tower Rock Pavilion
- Phase 3 of the water system

Advocacy & Fundraising

The \$3.7 million budget is for WSPEF and includes student leadership activities, professional development services and the Cispus outdoor learning center. The Washington Outdoor School Consortium and its project *Outdoor School for All* is a small part of this overall budget. To sustain our Outdoor School for All efforts, we request support from AWSP for \$25,000 per year for two years for lobbying efforts.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.

**Next WSPEF Board Meeting**

Saturday, January 29, 2022

DoubleTree Southcenter

**MEETING ATTENDANCE**

Board Members: Chris Visserman, Tricia Kannberg, Stephanie Teel, Dave Riddle, Cameron Grow, Eric Anderson, Aaron Fletcher, Kelley Boyd, Hanford McCloud, Scott Seaman

Budget Committee Chair: Heather Renner

AWSP Staff: Jack Arend, Greg Barker, Chase Buffington, Chris Espeland, Scott Friedman, James Layman, Kim Marquette, David Morrill, Roz Thompson, Gina Yonts

Guests: Paul Marquardt, Brent Osborn, Woody Howard, Theresa Shinn, Todd Hilmes, Cris Turner, John Belcher, Michael Harrington

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Operations Director

Approved by WSPEF Board January 29, 2022 /date/ km /initials/