

OMAK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monday, April 28, 2009 – 4:00 pm

Omak School District Board Room

SPECIAL MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS

Greg Grillo, Chairman

Mike Thornton, Vice Chairman

Wendell George

Pete Sirois

Marjorie Thompson

Robert Risinger, Superintendent

Susan Bell, Assistant Superintendent

Randi DeHaan, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm

Roll Call

All present.

Washington Virtual Academy

A team from K-12, Incorporated, presented their program, Washington Virtual Academy. Some highlights were:

- Tuition-free, statewide online public schools
- Flexible, individualized learning approaches
- Professional, Washington State, Highly Qualified Certified Teachers
- Involved, responsive school community
- Complete K-12 curriculum with online lessons, textbooks, and lots of hands-on materials
- Follow state requirements regarding attendance and testing, i.e. Becca Bill; WASL.

Steilacoom School District Story.

Dr. Art Himmler shared how Washington Virtual Academy (WAVA) was chosen for Steilacoom School District. They have been using the K-8 materials for over 4 years. The first year they made it available only to students within the Steilacoom School District boundaries. The second year they opened it up to all students in Washington State. Dr. Himmler shared the quality of the WAVA Program, along with the financial benefits to Steilacoom School District.

Open Discussion

Following Dr. Himmler's presentation, it was opened up for discussion and comments.

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The meeting ended at 5:25 pm.

ATTEST:

Board Secretary

Board Chairman