



Joint Work Study Session
Marysville School Board and Marysville City Council
Marysville School District Board Room
Monday, January 30, 2012, 6:00 pm

AGENDA

6:00 Call to Order, Welcome, Flag Salute – Chris Nation, Chair
Introductions – Go ‘round / share name, job, kids, interest, etc.

6:15 City of Marysville Update – Jon Nehring, Mayor
Initiatives, Partnerships, Graffiti Task Force, Transportation
Infrastructure
Discussion...Questions

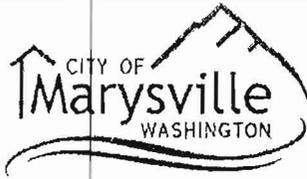
7:00 School District Update – Larry Nyland, Superintendent
Funding, Facilities / Partnerships, Student Achievement, Good News
Discussion...Questions

7:45 Break

8:00 General Discussion
Discussion...Questions...Suggestions

8:30 Go ‘round...final thoughts from each board / council member

9:00 Adjourn



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JOINT SCHOOL BOARD/CITY COUNCIL MEETING CITY UPDATE

BUDGET:

- Sales tax revenues were down again in 2011
- We accomplished the goal of replenishing our general fund reserves to 10% of revenues a year ahead of schedule due to aggressive efficiencies and under-spending by City departments
- We are not flush by any stretch but feel that we have stabilized the finances of the city to deliver the "core functions" of government within the constraints of the new economic realities.
- Biggest immediate concern is the impact of the coming cuts in "state shared revenues"

INITIATIVES:

- Starting the "downtown revitalization process"
- Furthering our efforts to bring manufacturing/industrial family wage jobs to the Smokey Point master planned area
- Seeking support and funding for 5 key transportation initiatives
- Increased walking/biking ability in our infrastructure
- Continued growth of citizen committees
- Beautification efforts "Neighborhood Recognition Award"/graffiti
- Administering our own Community Development Block Grant Fund

TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS (2012):

- 156th overcrossing project
- 51st street connector project
- Hwy 529 bridge project
- Hwy 9/Hwy92 break in access project

NEW ARRIVALS:

- Everett Clinic
- Armed Forces Reserve Center



Good News – Marysville Schools

Mayor's Involvement in Schools is much appreciated

Thank you to Mayor Nehring for making his time available to spend time in schools. He has participated in the ELL lunch buddy program, attended a recent legislative forum, and responded to several student requests to visit classrooms.

Getchell Library and Librarian featured in National Publication

Marysville Getchell High School campus librarian, Susan Gregerson, and the library system at the MGHS campus were recently featured in the [Teacher | Librarian](#) magazine. Two nationally known library professionals toured the Getchell in November and wrote about the distributed library model and "learning commons" concepts. Visit the district website to view the entire article.

International School of Communications and TV3 featured at State Conference

ISC was invited to present at the Paramount Duty Coalition meetings on January 5th. They wanted to learn about TV3 and how ISC was helping students apply daily learning to their future interests. Thank you to Andrew Christopher, TV3 Teacher, Jessica Osborn, student and her mother, Shelly Osborn for representing the school and district at the meeting. "Jessica did an AMAZING job of sharing the benefits of smaller high schools at the Innovation Here, Innovation Now Forum."

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- 1) If something is not working, change it now.
- 2) Weekly progress monitoring is an important aspect of encouraging students to try harder
- 3) All students can learn at high levels.

We love this message, and yes, we are fans. Keep up the great work Totem Middle School. We look forward to the amazing things in your future." LEV then invited Totem to share their successes at a recent conference.

SFE Student meets President Obama

Dallas Duplessis, student at School for the Entrepreneur, was recognized by the board at the January 9th meeting. Dallas told the board about her efforts to "be a seed for change," create a youth gardening club ... and her meeting with President Obama. Dallas was the youngest of a dozen up and coming Native youth to meet with the President. What a great opportunity to fuel Dallas' dreams to become a Supreme Court Justice. Harvard has already twittered her and she recently served as a page in the legislature.



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DISTRICT UPDATE

1. Funding / Budget

Budget - State Funding / Levy / School Equalization

- Marysville schools have made \$21m in budget cuts over the last four years.
- The state now funds only "basic education" and school equalization funding (not part of basic education).
- The Supreme Court decision will likely protect basic education but may not protect school equalization.
- School equalization provides \$4.5 million to keep our \$3.45 tax rate from being even higher.
- The governor has introduced legislation to allow us to go back to voters to replace school equalization.
- The state would be balancing the state budget on the backs of our poorest communities and students.
- Budget cuts for next year may be closer to zero or \$3M – instead of the \$6M proposed by the governor.

SROs

- Thank you for the City's partnership in supporting school resource officers (SROs).
- Due to budget cuts we have gone from four SROs to two ... and possibly to zero.
- The district is no longer able to contribute to the cost of the SROs.
- Chief Smith is trying, for the short term, to keep two officers in the school as scheduling permits.
- Tulalip Tribes employees one part time SRO (no district support) for the Marysville Tulalip Campus.

Our Washington

- Our Washington / Marysville is trying to transfer out of state bank subsidies to education.
- Mayor Nehring called a meeting with school district, Chase Bank, and Our Washington / Our Marysville.
- Chase indicated some willingness to make a charitable contribution to a non-profit in the Marysville area.
- The district is working with Our Marysville on a three year request for a volunteer coordinator.

2. Facilities / Partnerships

Joint Use Agreements

- Thank you! For the recent help with clearing school parking lots after the big snow.
- An inter-local agreement allows the City to use district properties for Parks and Recreation activities.
- The soccer fields on 152nd are the best example of district property used for city parks and recreation purposes.
- We also partner in the use of the district Jones Creek property as an environmental site.
- The City uses and helps maintain many of the school fields during the summer months.
- The district now owns 40 acres between Getchell and Hwy 9 that could be developed as fields.

Projects

- Putting 51st Avenue through Pinewood – thank you for your consideration of Pinewood.
- Safe walking areas at Liberty and Getchell – Thank you for helping keep kids safe.
- Permitting for Getchell and our new Transportation Co-op.

Transportation Co-Op

- The district is stretching the last of our bond funds to meet a critical transportation need.
- The present site is not adequate in size, fueling, bus washing or engine maintenance.
- One-time state money means we can get \$8M in state support to meet this need.
- This opens the door to cost savings for the district and other partners (City, State Patrol, Sheriff).
- The transportation co-op would be located on 134th to the east of Smokey Point Blvd.

Future Growth

- 69,000 people live in the Marysville School District.
- The district has enough land to 'build out' from our current 12,000 students to 16,000 students.
- Recent construction – Grove, Getchell and Marysville Tulalip Campus – has upgraded 26% of our schools.
- Remaining schools are aging – many built after WW II are now 50-60 years old.
- Mitigation fees are dedicated to paying off the Marysville Tulalip Campus.
- A bond issue is needed to continue our progress with replacing / repairing aging buildings.

3. Student Achievement

Our mission is 100% of students ... proficient ... **graduating on time** ... and prepared for college and career.

- The Marysville Board has committed themselves to academic success by adopting four-year district goals.
- Those goals are designed to address critical "steps to success" in high school and college.
 - 95% attendance.
 - Reading on level by 1st grade and above level by 3rd grade.
 - Advanced math in 5th grade and Algebra in 8th grade.
 - Graduating on time AND prepared for college.
- Eight High Schools help us provide rigor, relationships and relevance.
 - Students know each other and their teachers.
 - HS themes match Sno Co employment trends and focus on connecting school to community partners.
 - February is "open enrollment" and the time when 8th grade students select their three top HS choices.
 - Graduation Rate is up 3% in the last year and up 20% over the last four years.

4. **College, Career, and Work Expo.** 67% of future jobs will require *some* college. That's why our district goals include preparing students for college and career. The Opportunity Expo, coming April 17, 2012 is designed to help every student build and realize dreams for what comes next – after high school!

Opportunity Expo 2012

Preparing Students for College, Career, and Work

Coming this Spring!

April 17, 2012



In Partnership with Marysville Rotary, Tulalip Tribes, and MSD

SCHOOL DISTRICT PARTNERSHIP:

We appreciate the many ways in which the Marysville School District partners with us to make this a better community of all

- Programming in several School District facilities for basketball, soccer, softball, etc.
- Work with school in offering continuing education
- Strawberry Fields for cross country and soccer
- 152nd for city use
- Good partnership with school district on Citizen Planning Committee
- Healthy Communities
- District participation in Diversity Advisory Committee (Linda Robinson, Wendy Messerina, Johnny Booker, Svetlanna Pasonok, Rhonda Moen, Majorie Serge)
- Community Coalition
- Marysville Kids Matter
- Cedarcrest Golf Course (golf/cross country meet)
- City plans a booth at the College, Career, and Work Expo on April 17th

A quality school district is a vital component to having a quality city so we very much appreciate Dr. Nyland's continued leadership in this area. He put together a very effective legislative forum to communicate concerns regarding "levy equalization" and other funding inequities for communities such as ours and is a continued advocate in this area.

We also appreciate the School Board's commitment to quality schools through their "District Goals" and leadership in all areas through these challenging times



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Minutes

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Chris Nation, Marysville School Board President called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm. President Nation lead the flag salute.

In attendance:

MSD – Board President Chris Nation, Board of Directors Cindy Erickson, Pete Lundberg, Tom Albright (by phone), Superintendent Larry Nyland, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning Ray Houser, Assistant Superintendent Gail Miller, and Executive Director of Finance Jim Baker. President Nation excused Vice President Wendy Fryberg.

City of Marysville: Mayor Jon Nehring, Carmen Rasmussen, Donna Wright, Jeff Seibert, Rob Toyer, Jeffrey Vaughn, Michael Stevens, Sandy, Langdon (Finance Director), Jim Ballew (Parks and Recreation Director), Gloria Hirashima (Chief Administrative Officer)

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7:45 President Nation announced that attendees would take a 15 minute break

8:00 General Discussion

The meeting resumed at 8:00 pm. Discussion was held around information presented and the ongoing work and partnerships between the City and the district.

8:30 Go 'round...final thoughts from each board / council member

Final discussion included a go 'round with comments from all attendees:

- Appreciate plans to develop north end into industrial area
- Communicating our attributes
- Building a system for high tech education

- Building community spirit and commitment through community projects
- Support mayor's concept of creating wealth in our community – how does district support?
- Opportunities for parents to get involved
- Our new facilities are often the envy of others
- Going on a unified group to promote legislative agendas is more effective
- Listening to our kids and what challenges they face
- Getting the messages out – we are a caring community and a caring district

President Nation announced meeting adjournment at 7:56 pm.



MARYSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mission: ... Every student ... 100%

- Proficient in literacy and math.
- Graduating on time.
- Prepared for success in college, career, and responsible citizenship.

Update

A monthly publication for community and staff

JANUARY 2012

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Did you know? ...
 Our high school graduation rates are up 3% this year, and ...
 Up 20% over the last three years!



Pictured left to right: Bernard Duplessis, Sandra Duplessis, Bernard, Jr., Dr. Nyland, Chris Nation, Dallas Duplessis, Pete Lundberg, Cindy Erickson, Wendy Fryberg, Dr. Tom Albright.

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Awards and Accolades—we are proud of our schools, district, and community!

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Kindergarten Registration Kickoff
 Saturday, January 28, 2012
 from 9:00—11:00 am
 New Location—click here for more info...

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Arts & Technology High School in the Commons (next to Quil Ceda Elementary)

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POC student receives full UW Scholarship. Terryll Daguison has received a NJROTC full ride scholarship to the UW. Terryll is very excited about this opportunity but is waiting for a possible Naval Academy appointment. Congratulations, Terryll and good luck!

Supreme Court Decision. The recent Supreme Court decision is good news for schools in Washington and Marysville. The court determined that Washington was not meeting their constitutional duty and must begin to improve student funding over the next several years. Hopefully, this will spare education from the reductions proposed earlier by the Governor.

Susan Gregerson, MGHS campus Librarian featured. Marysville Getchell High School campus librarian, Susan Gregerson, and the library system at the MGHS campus were recently featured in the Teacher|Librarian magazine. Two nationally known library professionals toured Getchell to learn and write about distributing books in “learning commons” near students rather than one central location. Visit the district website to view the entire article.

POC Art Students earn Awards. Art students at POC earned awards through the Schack Art Center: 12 Gold Awards, 13 Silver Awards, and 2 Honorable Mentions were earned through their submitted pieces. Karen Epperson, Art teacher, is very proud of her students. The students will be featured in an upcoming edition in the Marysville Globe. Congratulations!

Transportation Co-op Would Bring \$8 Million in State Funding. By partnering with neighbors, Marysville may be able to meet critical needs and save on local taxes. A new facility would replace aging fuel tanks and address space and environmental concerns. Both districts would save on fuel, routing, and maintenance. One time state-money will cover most of the cost and help create local construction jobs. District and state funds used in this project are for capital projects only and cannot be used to cover day-to-day operational costs. For the full story, see the district web site.

COMING UP!

Annual In-District Transfer Process. February is our annual in-district transfer request month. 8th grade students and parents can select their top choices from our eight high schools. And parents can request a transfers to another school. Marysville mayor, Jon Nehring, calls our eight high schools “one of Marysville’s best kept secrets.” Each high school features one or more of the career clusters in Snohomish County ... and community partnerships designed to provide hands-on learning experiences. Each school also features great opportunities for students to know their teachers, know their classmates and develop personal relationships that will support them in doing well in school.

College, Career, and Work Expo. Our district goals include *preparing every student for college and career*. Recent full page ads by our state’s colleges and universities remind us that 67% of future jobs will require some college. Students with one year of college will earn over their life-time twice what they would earn with only a diploma. Mark your calendars now... whether your child is the first or the fifth or 25th from your family to attend college... come catch the dream at the Opportunity Expo, coming April 17, 2012!

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