



**In attendance:** Mike Dunn, Josh Garcia, Janel Keating, Dave Colombini, Joan Kingrey, Sharon Mowry, Gene Schmidt, Paul Sturm, Pam Tollefsen and Kathy Clayton.

**Absent:** Carl Bruner, Missy Hallead, Barry Hoonan and Gary Plano.

**I. Call to Order**

Mike called the meeting to order and reviewed the agenda. Pam Tollefsen announced that Lexie Domaradzki, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning will succeed Pam as the OSPI representative on the board.

**II. Opening Activity**

After celebrating the success of our spring journal entitled, *Social Justice for ALL Students*, the board read the article penned by Lewis and Clark High School student, Shane Campbell. Mike guided us through a discussion of the many connections made to the text.

**III. Consent Agenda**

**A. Minutes of the January 24<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting**

Minutes were sent to board members in preparation for this meeting. The minutes were approved by Janel and seconded by Dave Colombini.

**B. Financial Summary and Update**

Kathy shared the 2007-08 budget as of February 29<sup>th</sup>, calling attention to the boost in revenue as a result of the Carol Ann Tomlinson seminars.

**IV. Strategic Plan and Action Items**

**A. Strategic Plan Goals**

The goals are re-ordered according to discussion and/or action requirements.

**1) Goal 2: Communications and Publications**

**a. Curriculum In Context** – Celebrate! Joan passed out the spring journal and highlighted the authors and content of each article. Joan stated that as part of Mike Dunn's doctoral work at WSU, he served as the assistant editor for this issue. Members of the board expressed their appreciation and accolades for Joan and Mike's work on this issue. Based on the board discussion generated by Shane's article, Gene noted that this issue will certainly provide opportunities for conversations in schools and districts centered around social justice issues. The fall issue of CinC will focus on *sound practices*, mirroring the theme of our November conference. The deadline for articles is June 1<sup>st</sup>. The theme of the spring 2009 issue will be 'Educators as Learners.'

**b. Critical Questions Series Update** - Following is the revised schedule for our upcoming questions.

April 14 – Barry Hoonan – How do you create an intentionally safe, inviting learning environment?

May 5 – Luke Thomas (via Mike & John Hook) – Student-led conferencing

June 2 – Missy Hallead – What are we looking for in today’s educator?

June 9 – Deb Palfenier (via Sharon) – Reflection

## 2) **Goal 5: Leadership and Governance**

**a. Actively promote and seek diversity in all aspects of Board Elections and Membership.** Elections were held during the past three weeks. Janel announced the new board members who will join the board at the June Retreat on June 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. New members are: Patricia Shanander to succeed Carl Bruner (ESD 189), Susana Reyes to succeed Paul Sturm (ESD 101/123), and Andrew Lumpe to succeed Sharon Mowry (Higher Ed Rep). In addition, Gayle Mar-Chun will serve in a new board position exclusively for the ESD 189 region. Because Josh Garcia will serve as our President-elect, Tim Nootenboom was elected to succeed Josh as the ASCD Representative. Although our OSPI is not an elected position, it was noted that Lexie Domaradzki will succeed Pam Tollefsen. Kathy provided a copy of the board matrix to clarify the new positions.

Janel shared the merits of designing a nominations process for future elections related to the fact that we are running our positions unopposed. We want the membership to know that positions are open to anyone, so designing a process that reflects that concept is important. Janel will contact Gary Plano and Carl Bruner to see if they will look at Article XII – Section 1 of the Constitution to suggest a change in process and wording to reflect a process for seeking board members. The constitution also states that the past president or president shall serve as the nominating chair. In a year when there is no past president, the board discussed utilizing the ASCD representative. That consideration should also be included in any new wording of the constitution. The board will discuss any changes at the June Retreat. Constitutional changes must also be put to the membership for a vote, which could occur in September.

**b. Annual Retreat** – The retreat is schedule for Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, from 4:30-6:00 (new board orientation from 3:00-4:00), followed by a barbecue at Kathy Clayton’s house. We will honor board members Carl, Paul, and Sharon for their commitment to the board over the past three years, as well as Pam’s service this year. We will also welcome our new board members. The program for June 20<sup>th</sup> will involve a presentation by Matt Miller from Mead School District, who will share information about creating effective powerpoint presentations. The retreat will continue on Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:30-3:00, when we will welcome five new board members. Becky Cooke, ASCD International board member, and Margaret Murphy, our ASCD Constituent Partnership Director from Alexandria, will join us for the retreat. The program for Saturday will include planning for the future, as well as information on ASCD’s Whole Child campaign.

**3) Goal 4: Influence and Policy**

**OSPI Report** – Pam Tollefsen provided information relative to the status of OSPI projects and initiatives. She shared that OSPI will host only one Summer Institute, which will take place in Tacoma at the end of July. Other highlights included: a) Math workshops (4-day trainings) will be offered through the ESDs, and OSPI is seeking K-8 math facilitators for this purpose; b) Science is undergoing a revision of the standards; c) The Social Studies GLEs are now available online; d) The Health and Fitness GLEs will be online for public comment in a month; d) The Arts GLEs are still in process; e) More support is needed for scoring CBS for Goal 2. Mike expressed his appreciation for Pam’s service on the board this year.

**4) Goal 1: Diverse Active Membership**

**Membership** – Kathy reported our membership total as 1898, which reflects the boost in registrations for the Carol Ann Tomlinson seminars in February.

**5) Goal 3: Programs, Products, and Services**

**a. State Recognition Awards.** Gene Schmidt volunteered to serve again as the chair for our state awards, as well as the OYEA award. Mike will contact Scott Seaman, from Tumwater, to see if he will serve as co-chair this year and as chair next year when the conference is in Seattle. The board decided to continue the ‘Whole Child’ award – and to have east-side and west-side winners selected by the board.

**b. WSASCD Professional Development Activities (PDAs)** – Kathy shared the numbers for the Carol Tomlinson workshops. There were 250 at the seminar in Spokane and 460 in Seattle. A huge success! We will not have the full financial picture until all the expenses have been paid. Kathy shared a plan for our PDAs for the next three years that involves several stand-alone workshops, and a series of workshops related to Professional Learning Communities. Following is the list of presenters and their topics:

- Janis Heigl – Math (not confirmed)
- Barry Hoonan – Creating Active Readers
- Bob Eaker/Janel Keating – Professional Learning Communities
- Janet Malone – PLCs: Common Assessments
- Mike Mattos – PLCs: Pyramid of Interventions
- Debbie Miller – Readers’ Workshop
- Pete Hall/Alisa Simeral – Differentiated Supervision: Coaching
- Rick Wormeli – Reporting Practices and Grading

The seminars will take place at various sites across the state (see attached schedule). The board expressed concern that the majority of PLCs take place in eastern Washington. Kathy will look into making changes to the schedule to include more PDAs in western Washington. Board members also suggested looking into a UbD strand with Jay McTighe, Grant Wiggins and Carol Tomlinson, as well as assessment workshops with Rick Stiggins. We will also continue to seek sites other than hotels. Mike and Sharon suggested Mukagawa Center in Spokane; and Josh recommended the Christian Faith Center in Federal Way.

**b. 2008 Conference Update** – Kathy passed out the save-the-date flyer that will be mailed to all schools in the state during the week of April 14<sup>th</sup>. Kathy praised the work of the planning committee, while giving the update for the 2008 conference, based on the committee’s March 20<sup>th</sup> planning meeting. Board members were encouraged to invite educators to make a proposal for presenting a session on Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>.

**c. Planning Ahead for 2009** – Board members provided the names of several folks to consider as committee chairs and members for the 2009 Conference Committee. Kathy will contact Janet Regge (Renton), Marty Kay (Aberdeen), Vince Blausner (Federal Way), Gerrie Garton (Enumclaw), Merri Reiger (Kent), Catherine Matthews (Everett), Kimberly Fry (Rochester), Gary Keeler (Northshore), Greg Borgerding (White River) and Erin LaVerdiere (Sumner). The new committee will meet on Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Doubletree Hotel.

**d. Hotel Contracts for 2009 & 2011 in Seattle** – Kathy gave an update on the progress with the hotels for future conferences. Our contracts have been changed to reflect 2-day conferences, rather than 3-day conferences, with lowered expectations for filling sleeping rooms and food and beverage costs.

**e. Partnership Possibility for 2010 Conference in Spokane** – Kathy met with Michelle Kuwasaki, associate director of Washington Association for the Education of Young Children (WAEYC) relative to partnering for the 2010 Conference in Spokane. In general, it looks like partnering with WAEYC is a good possibility. Kathy shared that their conference looks very different from ours (larger with a children’s concert in the evening), but drawing from a broader spectrum of educators for this conference could be a real benefit. Paul expressed concern that our members who attend the 2010 conference with WAEYC might be disappointed the next year when we host the 2011 conference on our own. Kathy will keep the board updated on subsequent discussions with WAEYC.

## **V. Board Development**

### **A. Strategic Plan Goals and Action Planning**

Time did not allow for the board discussion of the items in our strategic plan that we should stop, start, and continue. We will move this discussion to the agenda for our June Retreat.

Next Board Meeting – June Retreat:

Friday, June 20, 2008

Spokane Doubletree Hotel

3:00-4:00 New Board orientation

4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. meeting

Dinner at Kathy Clayton’s Home

7:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 21, 2008

Spokane Doubletree Hotel

8:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Kathy Clayton, Executive Director