

Walla Walla Public Schools

10-10 Staff News



School Board Meeting Recap | April 19, 2016

Teaching and Learning

Berney Principal transfers to district office to lead Teaching & Learning



Christy Krutulis

Berney Elementary Principal Christy Krutulis was named Executive Director of Teaching and Learning during the April 19, 2016 school board meeting. Krutulis replaces Assistant Superintendent Laure Quaresma who has accepted the superintendent position at the Athena-Weston School District.

Krutulis has been principal at Berney since 2013. She will remain at Berney through the end of the school year and will also spend time at the district office this spring as part of the transition plan. Krutulis, a Whitman College graduate, was principal of Clyde Hill and Stevenson Elementary Schools in

Bellevue, WA before coming to Walla Walla. She also spent 12 years as an elementary classroom teacher.

Krutulis is currently serving on the district science adoption curriculum team and is a member of the Teaching and Learning Department Professional Learning Committee. She received a Bachelor's of Arts in History from Whitman College and her Master's of Arts in Teaching from the University of Puget Sound. She earned her Principal Certificate from the University of Washington and is a National Board Certified teacher.

Board Meeting Highlights

APPROVED . . .

Minutes from the March 15, 2016 board meeting, personnel report, out-of-state travel, issuance of certificated contracts and notification of reasonable assurance, April 5 accounts payable and March payroll, April 19 accounts payable, March financial report and 2016-2017 dairy bid renewal.

- 2016 E-Rate projects bid award
- Resolution #02-2016 (Bus lane)
- Revision to Policy 2409 Credit for Competency/Proficiency

Board Reports

- 2nd Reading/Revision to Policy 2410 High School Graduation Requirements.
- Received a report on Kindergarten preparedness program.
- Received an update on Curriculum reviews and adoptions. The district continues to align its curriculum to the new state standards.

Budget/Enrollment update . . .

Enrollment dipped slightly last month, but remains 134 FTE above projections. State 2016-2017 revenue formulas are expected to arrive next week.

Green Park Bus Lane . . .

Board members approved transferring \$230,850 from the General Fund to add a school bus pullout at Green Park off Isaacs Ave. The improvements will be made in the summer of 2017.



Volunteers of the Year

In celebration of Volunteer Appreciation Month, Kara Schulke, Tim Meliah, Janis Nelson, Kay Barga, Jamie Griffith (Trinity Baptist Church), Norma Facio and Elsa Araiza were named the 2015-2016 Art Regier Volunteers of the Year.

NOTE: (Norma and Elsa are not in the photo.)

Excellence in Every Classroom

PERSONNEL
REPORT

EMPLOYMENT ...

Administrative:

CHRISTY KRUTULIS | EXE. DIR. TEACHING/LEARNING
District Office

Certificated:

KRISTOPHER BLAND | SPECIAL EDUCATION
Lincoln High School

RHONDA CLEMENTS | SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST
Special Education Department

DONNA CURRIER | SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST (.4 FTE)
Special Education Department

MADELINE DINSMORE | KINDERGARTEN
Berney Elementary School

JAMIE KEMANO | ENGLISH
Walla Walla High School

STACEY KLINGENBERG | TITLE I
Blue Ridge Elementary

STEPHANIE KYTOLA | ENGLISH/LA (.4 FTE)
Pioneer Middle School

SHAUNA MILLETT | ENGLISH
Walla Walla High School

ALYSSA MORENO | ENGLISH (TEMP)
Walla Walla High School

MARISSA PAYTON | ENGLISH/LA
Pioneer Middle School

KAYLIE PIVER | SPECIAL EDUCATION
Prospect Point Elementary

SARA STRICKLAND | LIBRARY MEDIA-SPECIALIST .5
Pioneer Middle School

DIANE WRIGHT | SPECIAL EDUCATION
Prospect Point Elementary

REBECCA WILSON | DUAL 2ND GRADE
Sharpstein Elementary School

Classified:

PATRICIA CROWE | KITCHEN ASSISTANT
Garrison Middle School

MICHAEL GARCIA | CUSTODIAN
Walla Walla High School

JUANA RAMIREZ DE CERVANTES | KITCHEN ASST.
Walla Walla High School

EMPLOYMENT ...

MARCOS SIERRA | CUSTODIAN
Walla Walla High School

RAQUEL VILLANUEVA | PARA-EDUCATOR
Blue Ridge Elementary

RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT

Certificated

MIKE GOBEL | WA-HI - 26 YEARS

JENNIFER LEWIS | SPECIAL EDUCATION - 2 YEARS

JANIFER SAMS | BLUE RIDGE - 23 YEARS

- JANIFER IS RESIGNING .5 FTE, WILL CONTINUE .5 FTE AS A LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALIST

Classified

CHERYL COPELAND | PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS - 5 YEARS

SHARYL DILL | GARRISON MIDDLE SCHOOL - 33 YEARS

JUDY O'BRIEN | SPECIAL EDUCATION - 21 YEARS

- AT END 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

RITA REID | GARRISON MIDDLE SCHOOL - 34 YEARS

SARA STRICKLAND | PIONEER MIDDLE SCHOOL - 5 YEARS

- SARA IS RESIGNING 3.5 HOURS AND WILL CONTINUE AS A 3.5 HOUR LIBRARY TECHNICIAN

BARBARA THATCHER | GREEN PARK ELEMENTARY - 19 YEARS

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Classified

DENISE ONGERS | PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS, 19 YRS

- April to June 2016

OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL

- Hollis Erikson, Carey Knifong, and Claudia Salazar to attend 2016 AVID Summer Institute in Denver, CO (Funding: Bilingual, Title II)

- Sheilah Payne, Jesse Torres, and Rebecca Wilson to attend 2016 AVID Summer Institute in San Diego, CA (Funding: Focus Grant)

- Gay Buissink to attend Personal Finance Curriculum Work Shop in San Francisco, CA (Funding: Professional Dev.)

- Amber Ferraro, Kasey Hooter, and Joyce Moreno to attend Enhancing Literacy Practices for Diverse Learners Conference in Las Vegas, NV (Funding: Title I)

- Lindsay James, Carey Knifong, Christy Krutulis, Mindy Meyer, Casey Monahan, Marit Nierman and Laure Quaresma to attend Common Core Conference in Denver, CO (Funding: Title II)

- Pamela Milleson to attend Food Show - New Products in Boise, ID (Funding: Nutrition Services travel)

New Assistant Superintendent
Superintendent Dr. Bill Jordan announced he is promoting Chris Gardea to Assistant Superintendent. Gardea leads the district's Human Resources Department. His previous title was Executive Director. He now assumes the district's number two leadership role.

