CASHMERE SCHOOL DISTRICT #222 Work Session February 6, 2023

Call to Order: Chairman Snodgrass called the meeting to order at 6:30 A.M.

Declaration of Quorum: Board members Nicholas Wood, Paul Nelson and Aaron Bessonette, Roger Perleberg and Paul Nelson were present. There were four others in attendance including Superintendent Johnson.

- 1.0 <u>Flag Salute</u> Board Chairman Ted Snodgrass led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2.0 <u>Approval of the Agenda</u> On a motion by Paul Nelson, the Board approved the agenda as presented.
- 3.0 Reports, Correspondence and Program
 - 3.1 <u>Board Report</u> Roger Perleberg provided positive feedback about the District VI Championship Wrestling Tournament held in Omak. He pointed out that 14 wrestlers qualified for Regionals.
 - 3.2 Superintendent Report
 - 3.2.1 <u>Budget/Enrollment Update</u> Business Manager Angela Allred was present to update the Board on budget and enrollment for the district. She stated that enrollment had increased, again, in February, but she expected it to drop back to January/December numbers in March. She mentioned that she is currently working with Superintendent Johnson to discuss special projects, such as the CHS Woodshop roof and transportation van purchases, since enrollment is up. Business Manager Allred also gave the board a quick legislative session update.
 - 3.3.2 <u>Board Policy/Procedure 3205 Sexual Harassment of Students Prohibited</u>
 (First Reading) Superintendent Johnson gave an overview of
 Policy/Procedure 3205. He mentioned that this policy/procedure is necessary
 Civil Rights compliance which surfaced as part of the Consolidated Program
 Review.
 - 3.3.3 <u>Winter Conferences/Student Presentations</u> Superintendent Johnson explained that the District would hold Winter Conferences in the evening of March 21st and the morning of March 22nd, which is a scheduled late start.
 - 3.3.4 <u>School Safety Update</u> Superintendent Johnson gave an overview of the Tabletop Exercise and discussed the Administrative Team Debrief with Sgt. Frank. District follow up will include reunification and shelter-in-place

planning. He also stated that a full exercise would be held over the summer, which would include the Administration Team and office staff. He said the District would provide Safety & Wellbeing Training during August Institute. At this time, staff would receive a 2-3 hour walkthrough session and trauma first aid training. He concluded by summarizing the list of safety & security items and systems that had already been put in place and explaining that the District will continue to focus on the implementation of technology and systems to improve safety and security.

3.3.5 Vale Elementary Mid-Year Report—Vale Elementary Principal, Sean McKenna and Vale Elementary Assistant Principal, Rhett Morgan, gave a mid-year update to the Board. Principal McKenna explained that he and Mr. Morgan had been conducting walkthrough to observe consistent instruction in every classroom at each grade level. He mentioned that each grade level had developed Pacing Guides, which provide consistency of instruction and timing in every classroom. Mr. McKenna also talked about Math Studio and the importance of collaborating with staff to develop and implement plans and he and Mr. Morgan's follow up through in-classroom observations. He added that the level of professional development provided to our staff is what sets us apart from other like-sized districts. Many districts utilize the same curriculum, but the training and development is critical to successful classroom instruction, which results in higher student test scores. He mentioned that he doesn't currently have winter data to share, but that it was currently being collected. Principal McKenna stated that Math and ELA Interventions occur at least 3 times per week. Technology is not utilized as direct instruction is the key to success.

Assistant Principal Morgan gave a Hi-Cap Program Update. He stated that the District was currently in the process of identifying and testing students, utilizing the CogAT Screening Test. The students will be working on special projects in the spring as part of the Hi-Cap program.

Principal McKenna also discussed the emphasis on Social-Emotional Learning at Vale. He stated that it is blended in the curriculum. Mr. McKenna mentioned that February is typically the most challenging month, with behavioral issues becoming more prevalent. Instructors are leveraging Behavior Bingo etc. to incentivize good behavior in the classroom. Students can win extra recess time, healthy snacks, etc. Principal McKenna also discussed the 4th to 5th grade transition—explaining that staff had identified 26 students that may face difficulty with the middle school transition. Extra support is being provided through counseling and middle school visits to ensure the students feel comfortable before they actively attend Cashmere Middle School as students, next year. Mr. McKenna wrapped up his report, by summarizing the parent/community engagement activities that have been taking place at Vale. Activities include: community volunteer support, Watch

Dogs, PTO involvement, Boys Honor Choir, Lego Robotics, Chess Club, Kid Zone, Cashmere High School student engagement/support, bi-monthly Vale Newsletters.

4.0	<u>Visitors</u> – There were no visitors in attendance.	
5.0	<u>Adjournment</u> – On a motion by Vice Chairman Nicholas Wood and there being no further business to discuss, Chairman Ted Snodgrass adjourned the meeting at 7:43 AM.	
	Secretary	Chairman