

SOUTH KITSAP SCHOOL DISTRICT



Here is A link to a recent story that appeared in the Kitsap Daily

<https://www.kitsapdailynews.com/news/sksd-needs-2-8-million-in-2026-to-replace-chromebooks/>

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While a cheaper option than most, the popularity of Chromebooks in student learning could cost the South Kitsap School District millions of dollars for replacements in coming years.

The Board always approves big-ticket items with what is called consent. Director Berg suggested and wrote a board policy that prohibits any board member from discussing warrants (bills paid or to be approved to be paid by the board) to be discussed at any board meetings. It passed 4 -1 of course.

And why did they want this policy? Because they constantly complained about how long meetings were taking, that it was taking to long to talk about the budget or anything on the consent agenda due to Director Daily always asking questions and wasting the board's time. Hmm, Of course Jeff wants the public to know how much is being spent, where, and why. He is the onoy board member that even asks. So the majority of the board did not want that, and voted in a Juju board policy that is of course based on/connected to Berg's Juju Roberts Rules of Order. How many times have we been hearing that "Roberts Rules of Order is not the law".

State law does require school boards to have an audit committee, but of course only two board members could meet to review or discuss at same time or it would be an illegal meeting. The board claims the board is the audit committee yet they have never met as an audit committee.

What do they do? Well none of them ever review the bills and warrants. None of them (except Director Daily) seem to even care how much is being spent. They just approve in one motion all bills and warrants listed in the consent agenda. There is 'other' stuff they hide in the consent agenda that they also do not allow to be discussed!

Director Daily has suggested many times that the board actually hire a private auditor to regularly review warrants and bills before they are paid. And always the board majority votes down Director Daily's 'suggestion'. The board continues to state that the State Auditors (SAO) performs an annual review of the District financial affairs. They continue to claim that the SAO general review is sufficient. So we have to wait a year to see SAO audits, and they do not go into that kind of detail. They are really only concerned about theft or extortion. Of course the Superintendent and Board majority always brag that the district get spotless SAO audits.

Here are a few questions to consider asking the board during public comment part of any meeting. Then follow up by emailing the district and board members these same questions:

- 1. Why is the District, through their Board of Directors hiding what they don't want an independent auditor to see?**
- 2. Why did the board pass a policy forbidding any discussion of consent agenda items at board meetings?**
- 3. Why did the board legislate what is essentially a gag order against Director Daily, and why do they maintain it?**
- 4. What is the board afraid of that we might find out?**

We need to be proactive, especially since the district is cooking up a \$270 Million Dollar Bond in November. It's time to start writing letters to the editors of our local papers. And at meeting ask the same questions and then follow up by sending your same questions to all board members and the superintendent as we have all been invited to do..