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Nuisance fees

To the editor:

At a recent South Kitsap School District board meeting, fees were approved for facilities usage. The rhetoric and rationale discussed is meaningless. The charges are really “nuisance” fees. The district makes little from this “revenue” stream.

The solution is easy. With over 230 “extra” employees, cutting just one or two of them would cover any and all usage fees as well as “Associated Student Body” fees. The district made a big deal previously about reducing staff to balance the budget. Yes, they did, but then silently hired all of them back. What was quietly cut was “student” stuff: supplies, curriculum, programs to help students, etc.

Other districts have and are reducing staff but the SKSD never has since the superintendent says, “People come first.” Isn’t this a school district where “student needs come first?”

The levy rhetoric is already starting. If you remember, new board policy states the district and board can only say good things about the district. So, nothing you hear or see will resemble the truth or transparency the superintendent mentions.

If it did, then we wouldn’t need a levy because the reduction of at least 230 extra employees would easily eliminate the need for more levy money. All you hear is how poor the district will be if you don’t fund the school district.

No one is against funding the school district if you realize what you are paying for. Do you?

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