

## League of Women Voters of Pullman Observer Report

Name of Agency: Pullman School Board Date: 9 October 2019  
Observer Reporting: Carol Ndambuki Length of Meeting: 1.5 hours  
Members Present: Jim Evermann, Allison Munch-Rotolo, Susan Weed, Amanda Tanner, Nathan Roberts, Bob Maxwell  
Members Absent: None  
Others Present (e.g., media, public): ASB Representative (Sue Ellen), Diane Hodge, Joe Thornton, Ashley Jensen, Christian Grow, Chris Franklin

### Business pertaining to League Positions or topics of interest:

#### Quality Instructional Programming:

- Career and Technical Education (CTE)—Pullman High School Assistant Principal, Chris Franklin presented on all the CTE programs at both Lincoln Middle School and Pullman High School
  - Incredibly detailed report on how the programs are renewed frequently to be aligned with academic and industry standards
  - Number of students involved, and the range of classes offered
  - Why it would be difficult to start a Skills Center in our region b/c the center would only be able to offer programs that are not otherwise already available in the proposed participating districts
  - Yearly application for Perkins Grants which is federal money
  - Alignment and co-offerings with Walla Walla Community College, Spokane Falls CC, and Spokane CCs

#### Financial Stewardship:

- Informative report on district's Risk Management
  - Insurance expenses have greatly increased in part because the addition of the new school but also coverage of the nine new buses
  - Insurance agent negotiated a 4% decrease in the total bill which partially off-set the increase
- Transportation Cooperative paperwork approved
- Dropping out of the current sports league which costs \$500/year to join another league which costs ten times as much at \$5000/year in additional to an initial start-up cost of \$5,000 which is refundable if the district leaves the league