

# January 04, 2016 Regular School Board Meeting



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## **Minutes**

Regular Legislative Session  
January 04, 2016, 4:15 p.m.

## **Board of Directors**

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## **I. Call to Order**

1. This meeting was called to order at 4:16pm.
2. All Directors were in attendance
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Recognition
  - o School Board Recognition Month
  - o City Year

## **II. Student Presentations**

## **III. Superintendents Comments**

- Native American Education Annual Report – Gail Morris
- Announcement of Announcement of Completed Internal Audit by Audit & Finance Chair

## **IV. Student Comments**

## **V. Business Action Items**

### **A. Consent Agenda**

1. Minutes of the **Work Session/Executive Session** on November 09, the **Work Session/Executive Session** on November 30, the **Board Retreat** on December 03, and the **Regular Board Meeting** on December 07.
2. **Personnel Report**
4. **Approval of two 2016-2017 International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) Local 609 Nutrition Services Salary Schedules, one for 9/1/2016-12/31/2016 and one effective 1/1/2017** - (Exec, Dec 1, for approval) Approval of this item would approve the Nutrition Services Salary Schedules as negotiated with IUPE Local 609.
5. **Approval of Minimum Wage Adjustments** - (Exec, Dec 1, for approval) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to take necessary action to implement the hourly rates effective January 1, 2017.
6. **Approval of the Annual SAP Software Maintenance and Licensing Agreement** - (Ops, Nov. 17, for approval) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute a one-year agreement extension with SAP in the amount of \$284,761.98 to provide enterprise and Business Systems Incorporated (BSI) software support.
7. **BTA IV: EC Hughes Elementary School Renovation Project: Value Engineering Report, State Funding Assistance** - (Ops, Nov. 17, for approval) Approval of this item would accept the Value Engineering Report dated May 9, 2016, and the Architect's Response and Recommendation Matrix for the E.C. Hughes Elementary School Renovation and Addition project.
8. **BTA IV: Award Contract K1267, for Master Planning Services, to Bassetti Architects, for BEX V Capital Levy Planning** - (Ops, Nov. 17, for approval) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute a contract with Bassetti Architects for Master Planning Services for BEX V Capital Levy Planning, in the amount of \$921,611 plus reimbursable expenses of \$10,000.
9. **Extend Contract Terms and Amend Contract Amounts for Furniture Procurement for 2016, Bid No. B09501** - (Ops, Nov. 17, for approval) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute the contract amendments that extend current contracts and amend the contracted amounts for an additional year for the Furniture Procurement for 2016 with 7 vendors.

Dir. Harris moved to approve the consent agenda. Dir. Pinkham seconded.

Dir. Burke requested that Consent Item No. 3 be removed from the consent agenda.

Dir. Harris moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. Dir. Pinkham seconded.

The Consent agenda as amended passed unanimously.

## **B. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda**

3. **Amending Policy No. 2415, High School Graduation Requirements** - (C&I, Nov. 14 for approval) Approval of this item would amend Policy No. 2415, High School Graduation Requirements.

Dir. Burke highlighted that the amendment to this policy is due to changes from the State regarding graduation credit requirements and that this is an unfunded mandate from the State, which contributes to the budget shortfall the District is currently dealing with.

Dir. Harris moved to approve this item. Dir. Pinkham seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

**VII. Board Comments**

Directors Burke, Blanford, Pinkham provided comments.

**VI. Public Testimony**

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| 1.  | Lucy Durham  | Student Assignment Plan & Amendments  |
| 2.  | George Durham  | Student Assignment Plan & Amendments  |
| 3.  | Susan Huber  | Student Assignment Plan Amendment 1   |
| 4.  | John Chapman ceded to Myra Parker                            | Student Assignment Plan   |
| 5.  | Jenny Young  | Student Assignment Plan   |
| 6.  | Travis Saunders  | Student Assignment Plan Amendment 1   |
| 7.  | Lisa Costleigh-Saunders ceded to Leslie Senasvet             | Student Assignment Plan Amendment 1   |
| 8.  | Renee Remlinger-Tee ceded to Vivian & Eric Bailey            | Student Assignment Plan   |
| 9.  | Betsy Klebanoff-Hills ceded to Emily Malone & Harper Nesbitt | Student Assignment Plan Amendment 1   |
| 10. | James Tee  | Student Assignment Plan   |
| 11. | Koichi Orita   | Student Assignment Plan Amendments  |
| 12. | Charleen Johnson-Fordlund                                    | Student Assignment Plan Amendments  |
| 13. | Kathleen Durham ceded to Amy Snowfer                         | Student Assignment Plan   |
| 14. | Chris Jackins  | Student Assignment Plan; BEX IV Capital Levy Planning; Amending Policy 4237; BEX IV: Loyal Heights Modernization & Addition; BTA IV: Magnolia Budget Increase |
| 15. | Lisa Watkins   | Student Assignment Plan Amendment 1   |
| 16. | Alka Sud ceded to Krissy Dylan                               | Student Assignment Plan Amendment 1   |
| 17. | Robyn Meyer  | Student Assignment Plan Amendment 1   |
| 18. | Jennifer Hayes   | Student Assignment Plan Amendment 1   |
| 19. | Leah Martin  | Student Assignment Plan Amendment 1   |

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| 20. | Brenda Rauf  | Student Assignment Plan Amendment 1 |
| 21. | Monica Greenberg   | Student Assignment Plan             |
| 22. | Madeleine Stavelsey ceded to Kelsey Wyman & Safiya Jetha | Student Assignment Plan             |
| 23. | Eric Blumhagen   | Student Assignment Plan             |
| 24. | Sharon Peaslee   | Student Assignment Plan             |
| 25. | Dr. Alexandra Porter ceded to Gabby Casper               | Student Assignment Plan             |

## VII. Board Comments

Directors Geary, Harris, Patu, Burke, Patu, Pinkham, Peters provided comments

This meeting recessed at 6:58pm and reconvened at 7:11pm.

## VIII. Business Action Items (Continued)

### C. Action Items -

1. **Naming of Ingraham High School Gymnasium Court in Honor of Walt Milroy** - (Ops, Nov. 17 for approval) Approval of this item would approve naming of the Ingraham High School Basketball Court the "Walt Milroy Court."

Dir. Harris moved to approve this item. Dir. Pinkham seconded. Dir. Blanford noted the Operations Committee recommendation.

Directors asked about the participation of the Governor's at the naming ceremony, when and ceremony would be held, and if there were any changes to the item between introduction and action. Staff noted that there had not been any changes, the date had not been confirmed and they sent an invitation to attend the ceremony to the Governor's office.

This motion passed unanimously.

2. **Amending Policy No. 4237, Advertising & Commercial Activities** - (Ops, Nov. 17, for approval) Approval of this item would amend Board Policy No. 4237, Advertising & Commercial Activities.

Dir. Harris moved to approve this item. Dir. Pinkham seconded. Dir. Blanford noted the Operations Committee recommendation.

Ronald Boy discussed the changes to this item from introduction and action. Directors and staff discussed the purpose of the changes made and the need to amend this policy for equity across athletic teams. They discussed the temporary nature of advertisement in school buildings, except for the score board area. Mr. Boy noted that this is an amendment and that if it was not passed advertising would still be allowed as the policy currently exists.

This motion passed by a 4-2-1 vote (Directors Blanford, Burke, Geary, and Patu voted yes; Directors Pinkham and Peters voted no; Director Harris abstained).

3. **Approval of a Contract to AudioEye, Inc. for Web and Technology Accessibility** - (Ops, Nov. 17, for approval) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute a contract with AudioEye, Inc., in the amount of \$287,298 for Web and Technology Accessibility.

Dir. Harris moved to approve this item. Dir. Pinkham seconded. Dir. Blanford noted the Operations Committee recommendation.

Michael Miller noted the change between introduction and action around language regarding indemnification, clarifying the changes to the language improved the Districts position within the contract. Mr. Miller noted that AudioEye, Inc. is a company that would assist in making sure the District's websites are compliant with all Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. Directors discussed the importance of accessibility, maintaining compliance, and the costs benefits associated with moving to an external company doing this work rather than doing the work in-house.

This motion passed unanimously.

4. **Approval of the Student Assignment Transition Plan for 2017-18** - (Ops, Nov. 17, for consideration) Approval of this item would approve the Student Assignment Plan, dated November 8, 2016.

Dir. Peters motioned to hold discussion and postpone action on the plan until a Special Meeting of the Board on January 11, 2017. Dir. Harris seconded.

Directors and staff discussed the process for postponement and if public comment will be allowed at this special meeting.

Dir. Harris left at 7:41pm.

Dir. Peters noted the purpose of her motion. Directors and staff discussed the implications of postponing action on this motion and its amendments.

The motion to postpone action on this item passed by a 5-0-1 vote (Directors Blanford, Geary, Patu, Pinkham, and Peters approved; Director Burke abstained).

Dir. Peters asked for clarification on the further discussion. Dr. Nyland noted some of the options. Dir. Peters discussed providing 15 minutes for Directors to speak on each of the amendments. Ms. Davies presented the changes made to the Student Assignment Transition Plan between introduction and action. Directors and staff discussed Licton Springs K-8 and classroom allocation and budget implications.

- **Amendment to the Student Assignment Plan for 2017-18: Allow Grandfathering with Transportation for All Rising 8th Graders** - Approval of

this item would permit and implement grandfathering with transportation at comprehensive middle schools for all rising 8th graders in the 2017-18 school year who live within any area that is changing from one middle school to another for the 17-18 school year due to the opening of the Eagle Staff and Meany Middle Schools. (Director Peters)

Directors and staff discussed the grandfathering amendment, the open enrollment process, the pros and cons to grandfathering or not, and equity analysis of this amendment. Staff discussed the goals of reduced use of portables, overcrowding, boundaries, capacity challenges, and the financial impact to this amendment. Directors and staff discussed the concerns around program pathways and sustainability. Directors noted the need to review the long term impact of these changes.

- **Amendment 2 to the Student Assignment Plan for 2017-18: Adjust Elementary Feeder School Patterns to Move Greenwood Elementary and Broadview Thompson K-8 into the Whitman Middle School Service Area** - Approval of this item would designate Greenwood elementary and Broadview Thompson K-8 as feeder schools for Whitman Middle School. (Directors Burke and Pinkham)
- **Amendment 3 to the Student Assignment Plan for 2017-18: Remove HCC Geo-split to Decatur and Move Entire Cohort to New Cascadia Site** - Approval of this item would amend the proposed Student Assignment Plan for 2017-18 to move the existing HCC students from the interim site at Lincoln to the new Cascadia building on the Wilson Pacific Campus. (Director Burke) (Director Burke has withdrawn this amendment)
- **Amendment 4 to the Student Assignment Plan for 2017-18: Establish Decatur school site as an optional, rather than geo-split, pathway for north-end elementary HCC students** - Approval of this item would amend the proposed Student Assignment Plan for 2017-18 to permit and implement Decatur as an optional HCC pathway. (Director Peters)
- **Amendment 5 to the Student Assignment Transition Plan for 2017-18: Facility Space for Licton Springs K-8** – Approval of this Item would signal the School Board’s intent to allocate necessary classroom space for Licton Springs K-8 to grow its program and then reassess space prioritization no sooner than two years from now. (Directors Burke and Pinkham)

#### **D. Introduction Items**

1. **Annual Approval of Schools per WAC 180-16-220** - (C&I, Nov. 14 & Dec. 12, for consideration) Approval of this item would approve each school within the District as having a school improvement plan that is data driven, promotes a positive impact on school learning, and includes a continuous improvement process, pursuant to WAC 180-16-220.

Dir. Burke noted the review of this item by the Curriculum & Instruction Policy (C&I) Committee.

Mike Starosky presented an overview of the progress made on continuous school improvement plans (CSIPs) from last year to this year. He responded to concerns that have been raised about language in the CSIPs and noted that some improvements can be made to make the language less full of jargon and more friendly to the broader public. Dir. Blanford asked if a CSIP is more of an accountability document or a guidance document. Mr. Starosky responded that it should be a little bit of both. Dir. Patu emphasized the importance of accountability for school leaders. Dir. Geary highlighted the importance of advanced learning language in CSIPs and noted the link between advanced learning options and the prevalence of self-contained schools, about which she expressed serious concerns. Dir. Burke noted that the CSIPs are successful if they are useful.

2. **Exercising Option to Extend the Contract for Middle School and High School Yearbooks with Herff Jones for an Additional Year** - (C&I, Dec. 12, for approval)  
Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to approve an extension of the contract with Herff Jones in the amount not to exceed \$400,000 for the management and classroom support in preparation and printing of middle school and high school yearbooks.

Dir. Burke noted the review of this item by the Curriculum & Instruction Policy Committee.

Cashel Toner provided a summary of the content of this action report.

3. **Motion to Accept Funds for Head Start Duration** - (A&F, Dec. 8 for approval)  
Approval of this item would accept a grant in the amount of \$322,808 from DHHS/Federal Government to extend two Head Start classes from its current 476 hours to 1020 contact hours annually, beginning September 2017.

Dir. Peters noted the review of this item by the Audit & Finance Committee.

Gene Gousie summarized the content of the action report and the process that led to the placement of two full-day head start classrooms at Olympic Hills and Roxhill.

4. **Approval of Transportation Services Standards for 2017-18** - (Ops, Dec. 15, for consideration) Approval of this item would approve the recommended Transportation Service Standards based on a 3 Tier delivery system for the 2017-18 school year.

Dir. Blanford noted the review of this item by the Operations Committee.

Pegi McEvoy noted that there are three parts to the transportation service standards: the base plan or general guidelines, exceptions listed in Appendix A, and the arrival/departure times that are related to bell times. She noted that there will be some changes based on the decision for the Student Assignment Plan. Kathy Katterhagen noted some differences from last year, including new exceptions, flexibility for the District to seek outside funds for a

two tier system, and a clarification that arrival/departure times for special education students will be the same as general education students except when otherwise specified in a student's Individual Education Plan. Dir. Blanford asked about the feasibility of finding outside funding for a switch to a two-tier system. Ms. McEvoy noted that there have been conversations with advocates from the bell times conversations. Dir. Peters noted continued concerns with the bell times in a three-tier system and the effect of adding 20 minutes to the school day for next year.

5. **Approval of Inter-local Agreement with State of Washington, Department of Enterprise Services, for the Design and Construction of 4 Classrooms Using Cross Laminated Timber at Maple Elementary School** - (Ops, Dec. 15, for approval)  
Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute an Interlocal Agreement with State of Washington, Department of Enterprise Services in the form of the draft agreement attached.

Dir. Blanford noted the review of this item by the Operations Committee.

Richard Best noted some of the details in the action report. In response to a question from Dir. Patu, he explained what is cross laminated timber. Dir. Geary noted a recent Seattle Times article on this subject.

6. **Approval of the 2016-2019 Agreement for the Joint Use of facilities with the City of Seattle, Parks and Recreation Division** - (Ops, Dec. 15, for approval) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute the agreement for joint use of facilities with the City of Seattle, Parks and Recreation Department.

Dir. Blanford noted the review of this item by the Operations Committee.

Bruce Skowyra noted some of the changes between the new agreement and the previous agreement. In response to a question from Dir. Patu, Mr. Skowyra noted that the City of Seattle Parks Department will control evening scheduling still, but would not have control of the field scheduling until 6:45pm in the evening, later from the current 5pm time. Flip Herndon noted that the District would have greater ability to book its own fields after transitioning to a point of sale system. Dir. Pinkham asked if the City could advertise on District facilities; Mr. Skowyra said no. Dir. Peters asked if the Parks Department took a processing fee when booking District fields. Mr. Skowyra noted this was a big piece of the negotiations and that any direct processing costs incurred by the City will be billed to the District. He noted anticipating receiving more revenue under the new agreement.

7. **BEX III, BEX IV and Distressed School Grant: Board Acceptance of the Building Commissioning Report for Cedar Park Elementary School Renovation Project** - (Ops, Oct. 20, for consideration) Approval of this item would accept the Final Building Commissioning Report for the Cedar Park Elementary School Renovation project.

Dir. Blanford noted the review of this item by the Operations Committee.



Mr. Best noted that this item had been on hold until the commissioning activities had been completed. He noted that all activities have now been completed.

8. **BEX III, BEX IV and Distressed School Grant: Final Acceptance of the Public Works Contract P5042 with Bayley Construction, Inc., for the Cedar Park Elementary School Renovation Project** - (Ops, Dec. 15, for consideration) Approval of this item would accept the work performed under BEX III, BEX IV and Distressed School Grant funded Public Works Contract P5042, with Bayley Construction, Inc., for the Cedar Park Elementary School Renovation project, as final.

Dir. Blanford noted the review of this item by the Operations Committee.

Mr. Best noted this approval is required per state processes and one change that will be made before action on this item regarding the source of funding noted in the action report.

9. **BEX IV: Approval of the General Contractor Construction Manager Services (GC/CM) Negotiated Total Contract Cost for the Loyal Heights Elementary School Modernization and Addition project** - (Ops, Dec. 15, for consideration) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute Amendment No. 1 to the General Contractor/Construction Manager (GC/CM) contract P5069 on the Loyal Heights Elementary School Modernization project.

Dir. Blanford noted the review of this item by the Operations Committee.

Mr. Best noted that this action report presents two options and that the difference between the two is the provision of childcare space. He clarified that the proposed increase in the project budget was driven by the fact that bids came in over projections, due in part to a very active construction market. Dir. Peters asked how many bid were made. Mr. Best noted that there were 20 separate bid packages and that a few packages had only one bidder due to the very active market.

10. **BTA III: Final Acceptance of Contract K5060, Bayley Construction, Inc., for the North Queen Anne School Modernization project** - (Ops, Dec. 15, for approval) Approval of this item would accept the work performed under BTA III Public Works Contract K5060, with Bayley Construction, Inc., for the North Queen Anne School Modernization project as final.

Dir. Blanford noted the review of this item by the Operations Committee.

Mr. Best noted that this approval is required per state processes. He noted it was a relatively small project.

11. **BTA IV: Magnolia Elementary School Renovation and Addition: Approval of Budget Increase** - (Ops, Dec. 15, for approval) Approval of this item would approve a one-time fund transfer from the BTA IV Program Contingency to Magnolia Elementary School Renovation and Addition in the amount of \$5,879,544.

Dir. Blanford noted the review of this item by the Operations Committee.

Mr. Best highlighted Exhibit A in the attachment to articulate why the budget for this project has increased.

**IX. This meeting adjourned at 9:49 pm.**