

January 27, 2021 Regular School Board Meeting



Agenda

Regular Legislative Session

Wednesday, January 27, 2021, 4:30 p.m.

Board of Directors

Meeting held remotely

2445 – 3rd Avenue South

Seattle, Washington 98134

206-252-0040

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I. Call to Order

1. Director Hampson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
2. Directors DeWolf, Hampson, Harris, Hersey, Rankin, and Rivera-Smith participated with Microsoft Teams or by phone.

II. Superintendent Comments

Superintendent Juneau provided comments.

- Equitable Access to Programs & Services Annual Report per Board Policy No. 2200

Chief of Schools and Continuous Improvement Wyeth Jessee presented the Equitable Access to Programs & Services Annual Report per Board Policy No. 2200.

III. Student Comments

- Middle College High School

IV. Business Action Items

A. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of the January 7, 2021 Work Session and Executive Session, January 12, 2021 Executive Session, and January 13, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
2. Warrants Report - December

December 2020 Warrants

The following warrants as audited and certified by the auditing officer, as required by RCW 42.24.08, are approved for payment:

General Fund	*Payroll	\$ 656,269.06
	Vendor	20,577,527.67
Capital Project Fund	Vendor	7,714,310.79
Associated Student Body Fund	Vendor	43,978.74
Expendable Trust Fund	Vendor	4,010.78
Grand Total		\$28,996,097.04

*Note – Payroll total reflects warrants issued to employees. It does not however, reflect cash transfer amounts in payment of employees’ Direct Deposit payroll.

Director Hersey moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Director Rivera-Smith seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

B. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

V. Public Testimony

Order	Speaker	Topic
1	Hidaya Abdinur	Middle College
2	Christine Boyll	changes to the Mercer and Washington middle school zones
3	Emily Cherkin (ceded time)	Superintendent Hiring Process
4	Chris Jackins	1) SE Middle School Attendance Area Boundaries 2) Student Assignment Transition Plan 4) Superintendent Hiring Process
5	Tiffany Acker (ceded time)	Kimball’s possible reassignment to Washington
6	Michelle Bradley (ceded time)	Kimball Elementary reassignment to Washington Middle School

7	Gan Nue Wong	Mercer Boundary Change
8	Michelle Hunter	Mercer Middle School boundary change
9	Manuela Slye	Contract negotiation for interim superintendent.
10	Molly Dalessandro (ceded time)	Kimball reassignment to Washington
11	Quyen Tran	Mercer Boundary Change
12	Kristen Su	no to Mercer boundary change and no to reopening schools
13	Wingsze Fung	Mercer Boundary Change
14	Stephanie Neil	The proposal to change Kimball elementary's middle school pathway from Mercer to Washington.
15	Zeinab Ahmed	Mercer Boundary Change
16	Alka Sud	1) boundaries transition plan 2) district educational research and evaluation program 3) partial waiver of board policy on graduation
17	Eddie Rye Jr.	Interim Superintendent Hiring
18	Emijah Smith	interim superintendent hire
19	Charissa Pomrehn (ceded time)	Kimball Elementary - Mercer boundary change
20	Jennifer Wittenberg	Vote No on Mercer Boundary Issue
21	Marketa Hnilova	Kimball reassignment to Washington
22	Matthew Remle (ceded time)	clean energy resolution
23	Joseph Brian Szwaja	Clean Energy Resolution
24	Brian Terry	equity in advanced learning
25	Ruth Sawyer (ceded time)	Clean energy resolution

VI. Board Committee Reports

Directors provided reports from the Audit & Finance Committee; Student Services, Curriculum & Instruction Committee; Operations Committee; and Executive Committee; and about Early Learning.

VII. Business Action Items (Continued)

C. Action Items

1. **Approval of Southeast Middle School Attendance Area Boundaries for 2021-22** (Ops, Jan 6, for Approval) Approval of this item would approve the 2021-22 attendance areas for Mercer, Aki Kurose, and Washington, as outlined in Attachment A.1, and grandfather assignments for currently enrolled students impacted by these changes. This action shifts the Kimball feeder area into Washington, and the Hawthorne feeder area into Aki Kurose. This item would direct the Superintendent to take any appropriate action to implement this decision. This item would end, effective for the 2021-22 school year, the Board's June 24, 2020 partial waiver of Board Policy No. 3130, Student Assignment and Enrollment, that applies to new students to the district who would otherwise be assigned to Mercer Middle School as their designated attendance area school. The waiver shall be in effect through the remainder of the 2020-21 school year.
 - o **Amendment 1 to the Board Action Report titled "Approval of Southeast Middle School Attendance Area Boundaries for 2021-22"** Approval of this item would approve Amendment 1 to the Board Action Report titled "Approval of Southeast Middle School Attendance Area Boundaries for 2021-22" to require mitigations in addition to those described in the underlying Board Action Report. (Amendment added 1/27/21)

Director Hersey moved to approve this item. Director Rivera-Smith seconded.

Director Hersey moved to approve Amendment 1. Director Rivera-Smith seconded.

Director Hersey presented background on the development of Amendment 1. Directors discussed Amendment 1, the boundary changes included in the underlying item, and ongoing work to engage with school communities and provide mitigation.

Amendment 1 passed unanimously.

Director Hersey moved to approve the underlying Board Action Report as amended by Amendment 1. Director Rivera-Smith seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

2. **Approval of the Student Assignment Transition Plan for 2021-22.** (Ops, Jan 6, for Approval) Approval of this item would approve the Student Assignment Transition Plan for 2021-22 as attached to the Board Action Report with any updates necessary to implement changes to the attendance areas for Mercer, Aki Kurose, and Washington

middle schools approved by the Board through a separate Board Action Report.
(Materials updated 1/27/21)

Director Hersey moved to approve this item. Director Rivera-Smith seconded.

Chief of Student Support Services Dr. Concie Pedroza presented on the updates to the item. Directors and staff discussed the item and dual language immersion.

This motion passed unanimously.

- Adopting Resolution No. 2020/21-17 to declare that the lives of Black students matter; and, that we encourage participation district-wide in the national Black Lives Matter At School Week from February 1-5, 2021 and the “Year of Purpose” 2020-21.** (Exec, January 20, for Consideration) Approval of this item would approve Resolution No. 2020/21-17, a resolution of the Board of Directors of Seattle School District No. 1, King County, Seattle, Washington to declare that the lives of Black students matter, as well as the lives of all of our underserved students; affirm the demands of the Black Lives Matter At School Movement, and encourage participation district-wide in the national Black Lives Matter At School Week from February 1-5, 2021, as attached to this board action report. Immediate adoption is in the best interest of the district. (Introduction & Action, Materials updated 1/26/21)

Director Hersey moved to approve this item. Director Rivera-Smith seconded.

Director Hersey presented the resolution and spoke to related district actions. Directors discussed work in support of the resolution.

This motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of the 2020-21 District Educational Research & Program Evaluation Plan** (SSC&I, October 13, for Consideration) Approval of this item would approve the 2020-21 District Educational Research & Program Evaluation Plan as attached to the Board Action Report. (Materials updated 1/26/21)

Director Hersey moved to approve this item. Director Rivera-Smith seconded.

Chief Academic Officer Dr. Keisha Scarlett presented on the focus of the annual plan, feedback received, and work to develop the next year’s plan.

This motion passed unanimously.

- Authorization to negotiate a contract for an Interim Superintendent.** Approval of this item would authorize the Board President to negotiate, with the assistance of counsel, an employment contract with Dr. Brent Jones to serve as Interim Superintendent through June 30, 2022, with a starting date no later than July 1, 2021. The contract, if one is successfully negotiated, will be presented to the Board for approval. Immediate action is

in the best interest of the District. (**Introduction & Action, Title on agenda corrected 1/27/21**)

Director Hersey moved to approve this item. Director Rivera-Smith seconded.

Director Hampson spoke about negotiating a contract with Dr. Brent Jones for the interim superintendent position and spoke about Dr. Jones' qualifications.

Dr. Jones addressed the Board to speak about the opportunity, his qualifications, and his vision for the district.

Directors discussed the processes for hiring interim and permanent superintendents and the qualifications of Dr. Jones.

This motion passed with a vote of 4-1-1 (Directors DeWolf, Hersey, Rankin, and Hampson voted yes; Director Harris voted no; Director Rivera-Smith abstained).

D. Introduction Items

1. **Approval of the 2021-22 and 2022-23 School Year Calendars** (Exec, January 20, for Consideration) Approval of this item would approve the 2021-22 and 2022-23 school year calendars as attached to the Board Action Report with any minor, non-substantive additions, deletions or modification deemed necessary by the Superintendent.

Chief of Staff Sherri Kokx presented background on the development of the proposed school year calendars. Directors and staff discussed the relationship between the calendar and bargaining, make-up days, and accommodating observances.

3. **Partial Waiver of Board Policy No. 2415, High School Graduation Requirements, to Suspend Service Learning Requirement for Graduating Seniors** (SSC&I, January 12, for Approval) Approval of this item would approve that the School Board temporarily suspend the provision in Board Policy No. 2415, High School Graduation Requirements, requiring that graduating seniors complete 60 hours of service learning for graduation from today's date until August 31, 2021.

This item was taken out of order on the agenda.

Dr. Scarlett presented background on the need for the waiver. Directors and staff discussed supporting service learning and civic engagement activities and the continued need for the waiver.

2. **Approval of Annual Highly Capable Program Plan for 2020-2021** (SSC&I, January 12, for Consideration) Approval of this item would approve the Highly Capable Program Plan (as attached to the Board Action Report) for submission to OSPI for school year 2020-2021 to support Highly Capable Services, the district's eligibility identification

process, development of improved services, and that the School Board authorize the Superintendent to apply for the allocation of funds from OSPI.

Dr. Pedroza presented on the development of the annual plan in compliance with state requirements. Directors and staff discussed the plan and community engagement.

4. **Resolution 2020/21-18, Transitioning Seattle Public Schools to 100% Clean and Renewable Energy** (Ops, January 14, for Consideration) Approval of this item would approve Resolution 2020/21-18, committing Seattle Public Schools to transitioning the district to 100% clean, renewable energy, as attached to this Board Action Report. (Materials updated 1/26/21)

Directors DeWolf and Rivera-Smith presented background on the development of the resolution and community contributions. Directors discussed development and implementation of the resolution.

5. **BEX IV, BTA IV, and BEX V: Purchase of Student and Staff Technology for West Woodland, Coe, and Magnolia Elementary Schools, plus additional portable and capacity classrooms districtwide** (Ops, January 14, for Approval) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute purchase orders through various vendors for a total not-to-exceed the amount of \$1,250,000, plus Washington State sales tax, during fiscal years 2020-2021 and 2021-2022, and to take any necessary actions to implement the purchase orders.

Chief Financial Officer JoLynn Berge provided an overview of the equipment purchase.

6. **BEX V: Resolution 2020/21-14 West Seattle Elementary/Walt Hundley Playfield parcel exchange surplus** (Ops, January 14, for Approval) Approval of this item would approve Resolution 2020/21-14 providing authorization to surplus a portion of the Walt Hundley Playfield located on the West Seattle Elementary School property. Board approval of this resolution will allow the school district to proceed with the process of exchanging a parcel of district property for a parcel of property owned by Seattle Parks and Recreation.

Chief Operations Officer Fred Podesta presented background on the need for the resolution to move forward with the parcel exchange.

7. **BEX V: Award Architectural & Engineering Contract P1756 to Miller Hayashi Architects LLC for the Franklin High School Gym Roof Replacement and Seismic Upgrades project** (Ops, January 14, for Approval) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute A/E contract P1756 with Miller Hayashi Architects, LLC in the amount of \$312,290 for the Franklin High School Gym Roof Replacement and Seismic Upgrades project, with any minor additions, deletions, modifications and actions deemed necessary by the Superintendent to implement the contract.

Chief Podesta presented on overview of the work to be completed under the contract.

8. **BEX V: Resolution 2020/21-16 Racial Imbalance Analysis for Lincoln High School Phase 2 project** (Ops, January 14, for Approval) Approval of this item would approve Resolution 2020/21-16 certifying that the proposed Lincoln High School Phase 2 project will not create or aggravate racial imbalance as defined by WAC 392-342-025.

Chief Podesta presented on the analysis conducted for the multi-phase project.

9. **BEX IV: Final Acceptance of Contract P5100 with Hellas Construction, Inc., for the Cleveland High School Athletic Field Improvements project** (Ops, January 14, for Approval) Approval of this item would accept the work performed under Contract P5100 with Hellas Construction, Inc., for the Cleveland High School Athletic Field Improvements project as final.
10. **BEX V: Final Acceptance of Contract P5146 with Olympic Peninsula Construction, Inc., for the North Beach Elementary School, Sacajawea Elementary School & Jane Addams Middle School Pavement Repairs project** (Ops, January 14, for Approval) Approval of this item would accept the work performed under Contract P5146 with Olympic Peninsula Construction, Inc., for the North Beach Elementary School, Sacajawea Elementary School & Jane Addams Middle School Pavement Repairs project as final.
11. **BTA IV: Final Acceptance of Contract K5113 with King County Directors Association (KCDA) and Musco Sports Lighting, LLC for the Garfield High School Athletic Field Lighting project** (Ops, January 14, for Approval) Approval of this item would accept the work performed under Contract K5113 with King County Directors Association (KCDA) and Musco Sports Lighting, LLC for the Garfield High School Athletic Field Lighting project as final.
12. **BTA III/IV: Final Acceptance of Contract K5114 with Sprinturf, LLC for the Athletic Field Improvements at Garfield High School project** (Ops, January 14, for Approval) Approval of this item would accept the work performed under Contract K5114 with Sprinturf, LLC for the Athletic Field Improvements at Garfield High School project as final.

Chief Podesta presented Introduction Items 9, 10, 11, and 12 together and spoke about the final acceptances.

VIII. Board Comments

Directors Hersey, Harris, Rankin, Rivera-Smith, DeWolf, and Hampson provided comments.

IX. Adjourn

Director Hampson adjourned the meeting at 9:41 p.m.

Minutes submitted by:

School Board Office staff