

# April 7, 2020 Regular School Board Meeting



## Minutes

Regular Legislative Session  
Tuesday, April 7, 2020, 1:00 p.m.

## Board of Directors

*Meeting held remotely*

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## I. Call to Order

1. This meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.
2. Directors DeWolf, Hampson, Harris, Hersey, Mack, Rankin, and Rivera-Smith participated with Microsoft Teams or by phone.

Director DeWolf noted that the meeting was being held electronically consistent with the Governor's March 24, 2020 proclamation prohibiting in-person public meetings for agencies subject to the Open Public Meetings Act. Director DeWolf noted that the public had been provided access to observe the meeting and stated that there would not be a public comment opportunity during the meeting per the Board's March 11, 2020 vote to waive relevant provisions of Board Policy 1430 and Board Procedure 1430BP, and Board Resolution 2019/20-29. Director DeWolf noted that public comments were invited via email, fax, and mail.

## II. Superintendent Comments

Superintendent Juneau provided comments.

## III. Business Action Items

### A. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of the March 7, 2020 School Board Retreat and March 25, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
2. Personnel Report

3. **BEX IV: Final Acceptance of Contract P5124 with EMTech, LLC, for the View Ridge Seismic Improvements project** (Ops, March 2, for Approval) Approval of this item would accept the work performed under Contract P5124 with EMTech, LLC, for the View Ridge Seismic Improvements project as final.
4. **Elevator Maintenance and Repair – Master State Contract** (Ops, March 12, for Consideration) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute the elevator maintenance and repair contract with Eltec in the amount of \$285,000, to ensure elevator maintenance and repairs to the district, as attached to the School Board Action Report, with any minor additions, deletions and modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent, and to take any necessary actions to implement the contract.
5. **BTA V Building Condition Assessment: Award Contract # K1379 to perform building condition assessment services** (Ops, March 12, for Approval) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute consultant contract No. #K1379 with Sazan Environmental Services in an amount not to exceed \$464,599 for the certified building condition assessment of 92 district properties, with any minor additions, deletions, and modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent, and to take any necessary actions to implement the contract.
6. **BEX V: Award Construction Contract P5128, Bid No. B11923, to Olympic Peninsula Construction, Inc. for the Relocate and Setup Portable Classrooms at Multiple School Sites project** (Ops, March 12, for Consideration) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute construction contract P5128 with Olympic Peninsula Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$445,704 including base bid plus Unit Prices #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, plus Washington State Sales Tax, with any minor additions, deletions, and modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent, and to take any necessary actions to implement the contract. (Updated Since Introduction)

Director Hampson moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Director Harris seconded.

This motion passed unanimously.

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

There were no items removed from the Consent Agenda.

## **C. Action Items**

1. **Approval of Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise (FEPP) Levy funding for K – 12 School Based Investments for the 2020 – 2021 through 2025 – 2026 School Years\*** Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to accept grant funds totaling up to \$113,572,311 from the City of Seattle’s Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise (FEPP) Levy with any minor additions, deletions, and modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent, and to take any necessary actions and enter into service agreements to accept the grant funds.

Director Hampson moved to approve this item. Director Harris seconded.

Director Harris noted a concern with the contract requirements. Director Mack and Senior Advisor to the Superintendent Sherri Kokx discussed ongoing reporting to the Board and the format for providing an annual investment report to the Board. Director Rivera-Smith noted that information she had requested regarding panelists was not yet available.

This motion passed unanimously.

2. **Approval of Families, Education, Preschool, and Promise (FEPP) Levy funding for Preschool Services for the 2020 – 2021 School Year\*** Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to accept FEPP Levy grant funds from the City of Seattle, Department of Education and Early Learning (DEEL) totaling \$7,300,000 for the 2020-21 school year to continue to operate 26 preschool classrooms and open three new Seattle Preschool Program (SPP) classrooms including SPP and full day Head Start; and convert one existing SPP to SPP Plus, and one Head Start to Head Start Plus, for a total of 29 classrooms, with any minor additions, deletions and modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent, and to take any necessary actions and enter into service agreements to accept the grant funds. (Updated Since Introduction)

Director Hampson moved to approve this item. Director Harris seconded.

Ms. Kokx noted that a chart had been attached to the Board Action Report showing preschool sites, program models, classrooms, and enrollment.

Director Harris noted the increase in the number of inclusionary classrooms and spoke to setting a district goal for the number of classrooms.

Director Mack noted appreciation for the additional materials.

Director Rankin spoke to having all preschool sites be inclusive and ensuring access for all students who need special education services. Ms. Kokx stated that the district is working toward inclusion at all sites. Director Rivera-Smith spoke to the district's work toward an inclusive model and stated her thanks to the City of Seattle.

Director DeWolf noted appreciation to the City of Seattle and voters for supporting the levy.

This motion passed unanimously.

3. **Memorandum of Understanding with Seattle Education Association regarding Teacher Principal Evaluation Program (TPEP)\*** Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Seattle Education Association to replace the previous four (4) year cycle for comprehensive evaluations of certificated employees with continuing status, as outlined

in Article XI, Sections C.4 and G.1 of the collective bargaining agreement to every six (6) years.

Director Hampson moved to approve this item. Director Harris seconded.

Director Harris, Director Mack, and Chief Human Resources Officer Dr. Clover Codd discussed the impact of COVID-19 on teacher evaluations. Dr. Codd noted that the district was preparing guidance in response to information from the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction. Dr. Codd confirmed that the aspects of evaluations addressed in this item would not be impacted.

This motion passed unanimously.

4. **BTA IV: Replacement of non-functional Audio/Visual (AV) equipment in schools and addition of AV equipment in new schools and capacity classrooms\*** Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute purchase orders through Bid No. B11927 with Troxell for a Not-To-Exceed (NTE) amount of \$1,100,000, plus Washington State Sales Tax, over fiscal years 2019-20 through 2021-2022, with any minor additions, deletions, and modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent.

Director Hampson moved to approve this item. Director Harris seconded.

Directors noted the importance of functioning audio/visual equipment for teaching and learning and their excitement about this item. Director Harris and Chief Financial Officer JoLynn Berge discussed the need for and funding available to support the equipment. Director Rivera-Smith and Ms. Berge discussed the use of the funding.

This motion passed unanimously.

5. **BEX V: Award Contract P1710 for Construction Project Management Services to Parametrix for the Rainier Beach High School Replacement project** (Ops, March 12, for Approval) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute contract P1710 for Construction Project Management Services, with Parametrix in the amount of \$4,448,393 including reimbursable expenses, with any minor additions, deletions, and modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent, and to take any necessary actions to implement the contract.

Director Hampson moved to approve this item. Director Harris seconded.

Director Mack noted the Operations Committee recommendation. Directors noted their excitement about the Rainier Beach High School Replacement project and ongoing community engagement. Director Rankin spoke to the reasons for replacing the school. Director DeWolf noted voters' support for the BEX V levy and the use of that funding to support the project.

This motion passed unanimously.

6. **Distressed School Grant/BEX IV Program Contingency: Approval of Construction Contract P5134, for Bid No. B11925, to CDK Construction Services, Inc, and the use of BEX IV Program Contingency funds for the Magnolia Elementary School Addition project** (Ops, March 12, for Approval) Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute construction contract P5134 with CDK Construction Services, Inc, in the amount of \$4,332,998, plus Washington State Sales Tax, with any minor additions, deletions, and modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent, and to take any necessary actions to implement the contract; and approve a one-time fund transfer of \$2,000,000 from the BEX IV Program Contingency funds to the Magnolia Elementary School Addition project.

Director Hampson moved to approve this item. Director Harris seconded.

Director Mack noted the Operations Committee recommendation and excitement about the work moving forward.

This motion passed unanimously.

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

1. **BTA III: Approval of Budget Transfer from BTA III Program Contingency and Award Construction Contract K5118, Bid No. B012038, to Good News Group, Inc., for the Adams Elementary School Fire Sprinkler Upgrades project** (Ops, March 24, for Approval) Approval of this item would approve the transfer in the amount of \$1,026,688 from the BTA III Program Contingency to the Adams Elementary School Fire Sprinkler Upgrades project budget; and authorize the Superintendent to execute Construction Contract K5118 with Good News Group Inc. in the amount of \$1,121,950, including base bid plus Washington State Sales Tax, with any minor additions, deletions, and modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent, and to take any necessary actions to implement the contract.

Chief Operations Officer Fred Podesta spoke to the need for fire sprinkler upgrades and the project timeline.

Director Mack noted the Operations Committee recommendation and spoke to the critical safety upgrades that would take place through this project. Director Rankin stated her appreciation to staff for ensuring student safety projects are completed.

2. **BEX IV: Approval of Budget Transfer from the BEX IV Program Contingency and Award Construction Contract P5126, Bid No. B11832, to Reynolds General Contracting, Inc., for the Seismic Improvements at Beacon Hill, Maple, and Whitworth-Orca K-8 Schools project** (Ops, March 24, for Approval) Approval of this item would approve the transfer of \$481,000 from the BEX IV Program Contingency to the Seismic Improvements at Beacon Hill, Maple, and Whitworth-Orca K-8 Schools project budget; and authorize the Superintendent to execute construction contract P5126 with Reynolds General Contracting, Inc., for the Seismic Improvements at Beacon Hill,

Maple, and Whitworth-Orca K-8 Schools project in the amount of \$677,875 including base bid, plus Washington State Sales Tax, with any minor additions, deletions, and modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent, and to take any necessary actions to implement the contract.

Mr. Podesta noted the district's work to make seismic improvements and spoke to the work planned at the three schools covered by this contract.

Director Mack spoke to the importance of moving forward with seismic projects. Director Hampson and Mr. Podesta discussed potential impacts of the Governor's orders related to COVID-19 on construction projects. Mr. Podesta noted that adjustments to planned project timelines were expected.

#### **IV. Board Comments**

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

#### **V. Adjourn**

This meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

\*Due to the cancellation of the March 16, 2020 Audit & Finance Committee meeting and March 18, 2020 Executive Committee meeting due to public health concerns related to COVID-19, these Business Action Items were not previously reviewed by a Board Committee.