

Board Special Meeting
Fall 2020 Reopening
August 12, 2020, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Meeting held remotely



Minutes

Call to Order

Director DeWolf called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m. Directors Hampson, Harris, Hersey, Mack, Rankin, and Rivera-Smith participated with Microsoft Teams or by phone.

Action Item

- Board Action Report: Approving Resolution No. 2020/21-4, Adopting a Reopening Plan for the 2020-21 School Year
 - Amendment 1: Proposed Substitute Resolution No. 2020/21-4 (Directors Hampson, Hersey, and Rankin)

Director Hampson moved to approve the Board Action Report: Approving Resolution No. 2020/21-4, Adopting a Reopening Plan for the 2020-21 School Year. Director Harris seconded the motion.

Superintendent Juneau and Chief Legal Counsel Greg Narver spoke to the development of the proposed Board Action Report and accompanying Resolution and Reopening Plan. They noted state legal requirements and spoke about opening in a remote format.

Chief Human Resources Officer Dr. Clover Codd, Chief Operations Officer Fred Podesta, and Chief of Schools and Continuous Improvement Wyeth Jessee reviewed the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) Washington Schools 2020 Reopening Plan Template and answered questions from Directors.

This meeting recessed at 1:51 p.m. and reconvened at 2:07 p.m. Director DeWolf announced that the meeting would be extended past the originally scheduled end time.

Chief Academic Officer Dr. Diane DeBacker, Chief Financial Officer JoLynn Berge, Chief of Equity, Partnerships and Engagement Keisha Scarlett, Chief of Student Supports Dr. Concie Pedroza, and earlier presenting staff continued to review and discuss the OSPI Reopening Plan Template with Directors.

Directors moved into discussion of amendments.

Director Rankin moved Amendment 2 to amend the 2020-21 Reopening Plan Template by replacing the first sentence of the answer to the portion of Question 17 regarding high school grading, which currently states “A through D or Incomplete are the proposed grading options,” with the following language: “A through C minus or Incomplete are the proposed grading options.” The second sentence would remain as currently written. To the extent that this amendment conflicts with information presented in the underlying Board Action Report, the amendment shall control. Director Hampson seconded the motion.

Directors and staff discussed Amendment 2.

The motion to approve Amendment 2 passed unanimously.

Director Hampson moved Amendment 1 to the Board Action Report titled “Approving Resolution No. 2020/21-4, Adopting a Reopening Plan for the 2020-21 School Year” to substitute Proposed Substitute Resolution No. 2020/21-4 for the resolution attached to the underlying Board Action Report, and, to the extent that the substitute resolution conflicts with information presented in the underlying Board Action Report, the substitute resolution shall control. Immediate action is in the best interest of the district. Director Harris seconded the motion.

Directors discussed Amendment 1.

The motion to approve Amendment 1 passed unanimously.

Director Hampson moved approval of the underlying Board Action Report titled “Approving Resolution No. 2020/21-4, Adopting a Reopening Plan for the 2020-21 School Year” as amended by Amendments 1 and 2. Director Harris seconded.

Directors provided final comments.

The motion to approve the underlying Board Action Report as amended passed unanimously.

Adjourn

This meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

This meeting was held remotely per the Governor’s proclamation prohibiting public agencies from conducting meetings subject to the Open Public Meetings Act in-person to curtail the spread of COVID-19, ~~and consistent with School Board Resolution 2019/20-29~~. Public access was provided remotely through Microsoft Teams and teleconference.

Minutes submitted by:

School Board Office staff