

January 23, 2019 Regular School Board Meeting



Minutes

Regular Legislative Session
January 23, 2019 4:15 p.m.

Video 1: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=akzJAs0FW40>

Video 2: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FJRwD4MeqiI>

Video 3: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J_D5OSVSWoY

Board of Directors

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I. Call to Order

1. This meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m.
2. Directors Geary, Patu, Harris, Pinkham, Mack, and DeWolf were present.
3. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Student Presentations

- Pathfinder Middle School - Choir

<https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=132> (P1: 2:12-10:55)

III. Superintendent's Comments

- Native American Education Update

<https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=706> (P1:11:46-35:06)

IV. Board Committee Reports

- Ops Committee <https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=2120> (P1: 35:20-36:48)
- A&F Committee <https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=2209> (P1: 36:49-39:25)
- C&I Committee <https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=2371> (P1: 39:31-42:06)

- Strategic Plan Steering Committee <https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=2528> (P1: 42:08-45:11)
- Legislative Update <https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=2711> (P1: 45:12-46:29)
- Exec Committee <https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=2796> (P1: 46:36-51:09)

V. Student Comments

- Center School
<https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=3073> (P1: 51:13-57:57)

VI. Business Action Items

A. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of the December 12, 2018 **Work Sessions**, and the January 9, 2019 **Regular Board Meeting**
2. **Warrants Report - December**

December 2018 Warrants

General Fund	*Payroll	\$1,164,552.88
	Vendor	\$19,339,213.03
Capital Project Fund	Vendor	\$15,723,423.04
Associated Student Body	Vendor	\$373,708.58
Grand Total		\$36,600,897.53

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

<https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=3477> (P1: 57:58-58:28)

Director Pinkham moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Director Geary seconded.

This motion passed unanimously.

B. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

VIII. Board Comments

- **Director DeWolf** <https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=3522> (P1: 58:42-1:01:40)
- **Director Pinkham** <https://youtu.be/akzJAs0FW40?t=3707> (P1: 1:01:47-1:07:44)

This meeting recessed at 5:23 p.m. This meeting reconvened at 5:30 p.m.

VII. Public Testimony

<https://youtu.be/FJRwD4MeqiI?t=54> (P2: 0:54-30:02)

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| 1. Marcus Lindenburg | Center School Student |
| 2. Lillian King | Approval of Student Assignment Transition Plan |
| 3. Chris Jackins | Franklin Window and Door replacement project; 2019-20 School Year Calendar; Waiver from 180 day school year; Transportation Service Standards; Student Assignment Transition Plan |
| 4. Paul Tibbils-Riley | Approval of the Student Assignment Transition Plan for 2019-20 |
| 5. Arlene Williams | Graham Hill Elementary in the Student Assignment Transition Plan for 2019-20 |
| 6. Rebecca Wynkoop | Proposed WSS cuts & restoration |
| 7. Alex Tsimerman | Basic Education; principle of money |
| 8. Kevin McNew | Library Funding |
| 9. Jeff Treistman | School Libraries |
| 10. Craig Seasholes | Equity, library funding and proposed cuts to secondary librarian positions and their priority restoration |
| 11. Dr. Dana Carmichael-Tanaka | Library Funding |
| 11. Kathleen Eads | Librarian Cuts |
| 12. Elaine Harger | Proposal to cut secondary librarians to half time |

VIII. Board Comments (Continued)

- **Director Mack** <https://youtu.be/FJRwD4MeqiI?t=1810> (P2: 30:10-35:27)
- **Director Patu** <https://youtu.be/FJRwD4MeqiI?t=2131> (P2: 35:31-38:37)
- **Director Geary** <https://youtu.be/FJRwD4MeqiI?t=2319> (P2: 38:40-42:25)
- **Director DeWolf** <https://youtu.be/FJRwD4MeqiI?t=2567> (P2: 42:47-45:32)
- **Director Pinkham** <https://youtu.be/FJRwD4MeqiI?t=2732> (P2: 45:33-46:52)
- **Director Harris** <https://youtu.be/FJRwD4MeqiI?t=2814> (P2: 46:54-55:02)

IX. Business Action Items (Continued)

C. Action Items

1. **Approval of 2019-2020 School Year Calendar** (Exec, Jan. 17, for approval) Approval of this item would allow the School Board to establish the dates for when the school year

starts and end, which is required by state law. In addition, the development of the school year calendar is subject to bargaining with unions and certain calendar rules are outlined in the 2018-19 Seattle Education Association (SEA) Certificated Employees Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA). (Introduction and action)

<https://youtu.be/FJRwD4MeqiI?t=3302> (P2: 55:03-1:03:09)

Director DeWolf moved to approve this item. Director Geary seconded. Director Harris noted the Exec Committee recommendation.

Chief of Human Resources Dr. Clover Codd spoke about the proposed calendar for the 2019-2020 school year, which is subject to rules outlined in the SEA Collective Bargaining Agreement and addressed work done to consider religious holidays with the goal of having a more inclusive calendar. Chief of Student Supports Wyeth Jessee and Executive Director of Curriculum, Assessment and Instruction Dr. Kyle Kinoshita spoke about work done to consider holidays when setting testing schedules and guidance from the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

This motion passed unanimously.

2. **Resolution 2018/19-15, Requesting a Waiver from the 180-Day School Year Requirement for Parent/Guardian/Teacher Conferences** (Exec, Jan. 17, for approval) Approval of this item would request a waiver from the Washington State Board of Education of three days from the 180-day school year requirement to allow District elementary schools and K-8 schools to have full-day parent/guardian/teacher conferences on three days that school is not in session and a waiver of one day from the 180-day school year requirement to allow District middle schools and high schools to have a full-day parent/guardian/teacher conference on a day when school is not in session. School board action in the form of a resolution is required to support district waiver requests under WAC 180-18-050. (Introduction and action)

<https://youtu.be/FJRwD4MeqiI?t=3789> (P2: 1:03:10-1:06:43)

Director DeWolf moved to approve this item. Director Geary seconded. Director Harris noted the Exec Committee recommendation.

Chief Academic Officer Dr. Diane DeBacker spoke about the resolution and requested waiver from the 180-day school year requirement. Assistant General Counsel Ronald Boy spoke about this resolution for the district to take three days for parent/guardian/teacher conferences for elementary and K-8 schools and one day for middle and high schools, and how this minimizes disruptions to instructional time.

This motion passed unanimously.

3. **Approval of the 2019-20 Transportation Service Standards** (Ops, Dec. 6, for consideration) Approval of this item would set the Transportation Service Standards for

the upcoming school year, determining where and when the district provides transportation for students.

- **Amendment 1 (Director Mack)** to the BAR for 2019-20 Transportation Service Standards. Approval of this item amends the Transportation Service Standards to provide equitable access to Catharine Blaine K-8, as follows: Provide transportation to students grandfathered at Catharine Blaine K-8 in the School Board Action Report “Approval of Attendance Area Boundary Changes to create an attendance area for the new Magnolia Elementary School” approved on January 9, 2019, and Provide transportation for students in the Magnolia Elementary and Lawton Elementary attendance areas who apply for and are assigned to Catharine Blaine in grades 6-8.

<https://youtu.be/FJRwD4MeqiI?t=4003> (P2: 1:06:47-1:45:33)

Director DeWolf moved approval of the 2019-20 Transportation Service Standards. Director Geary seconded. Director Mack noted the Ops Committee recommendation.

Deputy Superintendent Stephen Nielsen spoke about a question received from the principal of Bagley Elementary regarding the potential for an adjusted bell time. He noted that engagement would need to take place if the adjustment is to be considered and that an amendment to change the bell time would need to be brought back to the Board at a later date.

Director DeWolf moved to approve Amendment 1 as follows:

“I move that the BAR for 2019-20 Transportation Service Standards shall be amended to add the following language in Appendix A as Item #4 under Other Exceptions:

‘Catharine Blaine K-8 and Lawton Elementary students that are enrolled during the 2019-20 school year through grandfathering assignments that reside in the Magnolia Elementary attendance area and outside of the respective walk zones will receive district provided transportation until the 2022-23 school year.’

And, Item #9 under Transportation Outside of Basic Eligibility:

‘Catharine Blaine students in grades 6-8 that reside in the Magnolia Elementary or Lawton Elementary attendance areas will be provided ORCA cards if they reside more than 1 mile from the school, as an exception to normal Attendance Area Elementary / Attendance Area K-8 Schools.’”

Director Geary seconded Amendment 1.

Director Mack spoke about the two pieces of Amendment 1. Mr. Nielsen and Directors

discussed the fiscal impact of the amendment and how the amendment would impact equity across the district.

Director Mack moved to withdraw the original Amendment 1. Director Geary seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

Director DeWolf moved to approve a revised Amendment 1 as follows:

“I move that the BAR for 2019-20 Transportation Service Standards shall be amended to add the following language in Appendix A as Item #4 under Other Exceptions:

‘Catharine Blaine K-8 and Lawton Elementary students that are enrolled during the 2019-20 school year through grandfathering assignments that reside in the Magnolia Elementary attendance area and outside of the respective walk zones will receive district provided transportation until the 2022-23 school year.’”

Director Geary seconded.

This revised Amendment 1 passed with a vote of 4-2 (Directors Geary, Mack, Pinkham, and Harris voted yes; Directors Patu and DeWolf voted no).

Director DeWolf moved to approve Amendment 2 as follows:

“I move that the BAR for 2019-20 Transportation Service Standards shall be amended to add the following language in Appendix A as Item #9 under Transportation Outside of Basic Eligibility:

‘Catharine Blaine students in grades 6-8 that reside in the Magnolia Elementary or Lawton Elementary attendance areas will be provided ORCA cards if they reside more than 1 mile from the school, as an exception to normal Attendance Area Elementary / Attendance Area K-8 Schools.’”

Director Geary seconded.

Amendment 2 did not pass with a vote of 1-4-1 (Director Mack voted yes; Directors Patu, DeWolf, Geary, and Pinkham voted no; Director Harris abstained).

The motion to approve the 2019-20 Transportation Service Standards as amended by the revised Amendment 1 passed with a vote of 5-1 (Directors DeWolf, Geary, Mack, Pinkham, and Harris voted yes; Director Patu abstained).

4. **Approval of the Student Assignment Transition Plan for 2019-20** (Ops, Dec. 6, for consideration) Approval of this item would update the Student Assignment Transition Plan for 2019-20. (Updated since introduction)

<https://youtu.be/FJRwD4MeqiI?t=6358> (P2: 1:45:58-2:01:33)

Director DeWolf noted that the motion had been adjusted, at the request of staff, from the motion provided in the posted Board Action Report to allow for minor modifications to address scrivener's errors in the document. Deputy General Counsel John Cerqui noted that the revised motion would be recorded in the minutes.

Director DeWolf moved to approve the Student Assignment Transition Plan, as attached to the Board Action Report, with any minor additions, deletions and modifications deemed necessary by the Superintendent. Director Geary seconded. Director Mack noted the Ops Committee recommendation.

Director of Enrollment Planning Ashley Davies and Directors spoke about the changes regarding the language around Special Education. Mr. Jessee also spoke about the student assignment transition plan.

This motion passed unanimously.

This meeting recessed at 7:32 p.m. This meeting reconvened at 7:45 p.m.

D. Introduction Items

1. **Adoption of 2019 Board Goals and Objectives** (Exec. Jan. 17, for approval) Approval of this item would adopt Board goals and objectives for self-development in 2019, per Board Policy No. 1810, Annual Goals and Objectives.

https://youtu.be/J_D5OSVSWoY (P3: 0:00-3:45)

Director Harris noted the Exec Committee recommendation. Directors discussed the 2019 board goals, which include three focus areas: racial equity training, improving board collaboration and governance, and holding two work sessions off-site.

2. **Approval of courses with new content as defined by Superintendent Procedure 2026.** (C&I, Jan. 15, for approval) Approval of this item would approve the courses, including Native American language competency courses, as attached to the Board Action Report, and consider any World Language competency courses proposed after this Board Action Report to be 'revised content' as defined by Superintendent Procedure 2026.

https://youtu.be/J_D5OSVSWoY?t=225 (P3: 3:46-16:02)

Director Geary noted the C&I Committee recommendation.

Dr. Kinoshita noted that the BAR would approve new courses and make clear that any World Language competency courses are considered "revised content" as defined by Superintendent Procedure 2026. Directors and staff spoke about the addition of languages and the student experience and expanding opportunity.

3. **Approval of Post-Consumer Food Waste (Compost) collection services contract, Bid No. B09812, to be awarded to Cedar Grove Composting** (Ops, Jan. 10, for approval)

Approval of this item would authorize the Superintendent to execute a contract with Cedar Grove Composting, covering the period from March 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020 in the amount of \$242,164.35, in the form of the draft Agreement dated (March 1, 2019) and 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.

https://youtu.be/J_D5OSVSWoY?t=984 (P3: 16:24-21:49)

Director Mack noted the Ops Committee recommendation.

Mr. Nielsen and Director of Facilities Bruce Skowyra spoke about this item to approve a contract for food waste (compost) collection.

4. **BTA IV: Award Contract No. K5105, Bid No. B10819, to Acc-U-Set Construction Inc. for the Relocation and Setup of Portable Classrooms at Multiple School Sites** (Ops, Jan. 10, for consideration) Approval of this item would provide authorization for the Superintendent to enter into a construction contract in the amount of \$319,821, including unit prices, plus Washington State Sales Tax, for the Relocation and Setup of Portable Classrooms at Multiple School Sites.

https://youtu.be/J_D5OSVSWoY?t=1310 (P3: 21:50-23:46)

Director Mack noted the Ops Committee recommendation.

Mr. Nielsen spoke about this item to move portables owned by the district. He noted that it is estimated the district may need to move ten portables to address capacity needs at various buildings.

5. **BTA IV: Award Construction Contract K5104, Bid No. B12841, to _____ for the Franklin High School Window & Door Replacement project** (Ops, Jan. 10, for consideration) Approval of this item would provide authorization for the Superintendent to enter into a construction contract in the amount of \$_____ (range of \$5,000,000 to \$5,500,000), including base bid, plus Washington State Sales Tax, for the Franklin High School Window & Door Replacement project.

https://youtu.be/J_D5OSVSWoY?t=1427 (P3: 23:47-27:15)

Director Mack noted the Ops Committee recommendation.

Mr. Nielsen explained the need for the replacement of windows and exterior doors at Franklin High School. Director Geary requested additional clarification in the BAR regarding the age of the windows to be replaced.

X. Adjourn

This meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.