Regular Business Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Central Administration Building
601 South 8th Street – Tacoma, WA 98405
4th Floor Auditorium
Thursday, September 14, 2017 06:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board met in regular session on Thursday, September 14, 2017 in the fourth floor auditorium of the Central Administration Building located at 601 South 8th Street in Tacoma, Washington.

Board President Ushka called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. FLAG SALUTE

President Ushka led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Directors Ushka, Cobb, Winskill, Heinze, and Vialle were present.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors adopt the agenda as presented. Director Cobb seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

5. RECOGNITION OF STAFF, STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

5.1 RECOGNITION OF TWO SCHOOLS NAMED AS 2017 AVID SECONDARY SCHOOLWIDE SITES OF DISTINCTION: STEWART AND MASON MIDDLE SCHOOLS

The Board of Directors recognized Stewart and Mason middle schools, named as AVID 2017 Secondary Schoolwide Sites of Distinction, for their diligent work to prepare all students for high school and beyond.

5.2 RECOGNITION OF THE DISTRICT’S FINANCE DEPARTMENT TEAM FOR EARNING A CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

That the Board of Directors recognize the district’s business office and staff for earning a Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Excellence award for 23 consecutive years, for demonstrating financial accountability and transparency in financial reporting.

6. PUBLIC HEARING

6.1 STATEMENT FOR PUBLIC HEARING FOR INTENT TO SELL GIAUDRONE PROPERTY

6.2 PUBLIC HEARING TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OR LEASE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY

There were no public comments.

7. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Amber Ellis addressed the Board regarding sugar in schools.
Kimi Ginn addressed the Board regarding a back-to-school event hosted by Vibrant Schools.

8. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Deputy Superintendent Garcia remarked on a great start to the new school year, also mentioning the new Arlington Elementary
building.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Director Winskill moved to approve the consent agenda. Director Vialle seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

9.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

9.1.a APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 17, 2017 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

9.1.b APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 24, 2017 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

9.2 AUTHORIZATION OF CERTIFICATE TO PIERCE COUNTY TREASURER

9.2.a APPROVAL OF THE CERTIFICATE TO PIERCE COUNTY TREASURER FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST 9, 2017 – AUGUST 23, 2017

9.3 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT)

9.3.a ACCEPTANCE OF THE JUNE 2017 UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

9.3.b ACCEPTANCE OF THE THIRD QUARTER 2016-2017 UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

9.4 OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REQUESTS

9.4.a APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR WILSON HIGH SCHOOL TO ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA, SEPTEMBER 24-28, 2017

9.4.b APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR TECHNOLOGY SERVICES TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, OCTOBER 2-6, 2017

9.4.c APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FROM INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY TO PHOENIX, ARIZONA, SEPTEMBER 8-12, 2017

9.4.d APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR SUPERINTENDENT’S OFFICE TO PHOENIX, ARIZONA, OCTOBER 3 - 5, 2017

9.4.e APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR SCHOOL BOARD TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, APRIL 6-9, 2018

9.5 INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL REQUESTS

9.6 FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

9.7 INTERNATIONAL FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

9.8 PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

9.8.a APPROVAL OF THE PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

10. POLICY MATTERS

There were no Policy Matters.

11. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

There was no Quarterly Financial Update.

12. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

There were no Curriculum and Instruction items.

13. BUSINESS MATTERS

13.1 APPROVAL OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ECEAP) FY17-18 CONTINUATION GRANT

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors approve the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program Continuation Grant in the amount of $1,182,462.00. Director Vialle seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

13.2 APPROVAL OF THE 2017-2018 CONTRACT BETWEEN TACOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 AND SAFE STREETS, A NONPROFIT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION

Director Vialle moved that the Board of Directors approve the contract between Tacoma School District No 10 and Safe Streets Campaign for the period of September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018, inclusive of the amount of $50,000. Director Heinze
seconded the motion. To avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest, Director Winskill recused herself from the vote as she is a Board Member of Safe Street. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

13.3 APPROVAL OF TITLE I PART A GRANT, APPLICATION TO OSPI

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors approve the submission of the Title I, Part A grant application in the amount of $9,929,518 to the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and, if funded, approve expenditure of funds according to appropriate guidelines. Director Cobb seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

13.4 APPROVAL OF HILLTOP ARTIST IN RESIDENCE AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS THREE-YEAR CONTRACT RENEWAL

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors approve the three-year contract renewal between Hilltop Artist in Residence Tacoma and Tacoma Public Schools. Director Cobb seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

14. OTHER BUSINESS

14.1 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO 2025 INTENT TO SELL GIAUDRONE PROPERTY

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors adopt and approve Resolution No. 2025 Intent to Sell Giaudrone Property. Director Vialle seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

15. REPORT TO THE BOARD

15.1 EARLY LEARNING - ANNUAL REPORT

Assistant Superintendent, Teaching & Learning, Marie Verhaar and Assistant Superintendent, K-12 Support, Toni Pace provided a report on early learning benchmarks for preschool.

16. BOARD COMMENTS/REPORTS

Director Cobb applauded the staff at Stewart for the student survey, saying it is a thoughtful way to engage students.

Director Winskill requested an update regarding the concerns raised from Brown’s Point families regarding the construction design. Director Winskill also reported that she would not be at the study session on the 21st as she will be attending the WSSDA Legislative Assembly.

Director Heinze reported on the traffic safety beacon project with the City of Tacoma and how much the partnership is appreciated.

Director Vialle reported on information coming from the attorney general regarding the McLeary decision and the state budget.

Director Ushka reported on the progress of the Eastside Community Center and expressed appreciation to Director Heinze and the City of Tacoma for the traffic safety beacons.

17. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Thursday, September 21, 2017
Study Session: Oakland Health Center, 2017-2018 Levy Renewal

Thursday, September 28, 2017
Regular Business Meeting

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:22pm Directors Ushka, Cobb, Winskill, Heinze and Vialle met in Executive Session, with district legal counsel Renee Trueblood, for approximately 15 minutes to discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation to which the district is, or is likely to, become a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency, in accordance with RCW 42.30.110. The executive session ended at 7:37pm.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Board President Ushka moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:37pm.

Minutes approved by the Board on: ___________________________

Signed by: _______________________________________________