



Board of Directors Business Meeting

The Tacoma Public Schools Board of Directors will meet for a Business Meeting on the date and time below in the 4th Floor Auditorium at the Central Administration Building. All regular board Business Meetings, Committee of the Whole and Study Session meetings are open public meetings and everyone is encouraged to attend. Executive sessions are closed to the public. Public parking and the main entrance are located on the west side of the building at South G Street.

Live Streaming Open Meeting	In-Person Open Meeting
Rainier Connect Channel 25, Comcast Channel 26 or Live Link: bit.ly/goktpstv Broadcast and Recorded at www.youtube.com	Central Administration Building 601 South 8th Street Tacoma, WA 98405 4th Floor Auditorium

Thursday, September 14, 2023 06:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Start Time: 6:00PM

Board President Bonbright will call the meeting to order.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Tacoma Public Schools acknowledges that we are on the traditional ancestral and historical lands of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians. We honor with gratitude the land itself and the Puyallup Tribe. This acknowledgment serves as a first step in honoring our nearest tribal neighbors and partners who have inhabited this region since time immemorial, and to whom we give thanks for allowing us passage to their lands. We shall intentionally create inclusive and respectful partnerships that honor Indigenous cultures, histories, identities, and sociopolitical realities.

4. ROLL CALL

General Counsel Gbenro will call the roll.

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

President Bonbright will call for a motion to amend the agenda or approve as presented.

6. RECOGNITION OF STAFF, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY

6.1 STATE HOLIDAYS AND CIVIC OBSERVANCES

6.1.a NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

[36 U.S.C. 126](#)

6.1.b LABOR DAY

The first Monday in September: [RCW 28A.150.050](#) AND [RCW 1.16.050](#)

6.1.c CONSTITUTION & CITIZENSHIP DAY

September 17, or on the preceding Friday if it occurs on a non-school day: [RCW 28A.230.170](#)

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

7.1 NEW SCHOOL YEAR UPDATE

[NEW SCHOOL YEAR UPDATE](#)

8. STAFF REPORT TO THE BOARD

None.

9. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

PUBLIC COMMENT GUIDELINES:

School board members encourage public participation. Your civil input is appreciated. Board members will not respond to your comments during the meeting. The Superintendent or a designee will follow-up with you after the meeting if action is needed. Instead of speaking at a meeting, you may also send an email to the board at board@tacoma.k12.wa.us. Please contact the Board Office in advance of the meeting for disability accommodations.

OPTION 1: VERBAL COMMENT

The Superintendent or designee will call your name when it is your turn to address the school board. Please speak into the microphone. You may have up to three (3) minutes to share your comments or, if there are a large number of speakers, time may be limited at the President's discretion.

OPTION 2: WRITTEN COMMENT

The following members of the public have submitted written public comment:

[There were no written comments submitted this week.](#)

10. CONSENT AGENDA

10.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

10.1.a APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 24, 2023 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

[APPROVAL OF AUGUST 24, 2023 BOARD MEETING MINUTES](#)

10.1.b APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 30, 2023 BOARD RETREAT MINUTES

[APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 30, 2023 BOARD RETREAT MINUTES](#)

10.2 APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

The Chief Financial Officer recommends that the Board of Directors approve the submission of one general certificate for authorization and, if authorized, approve expenditure of funds within accepted guidelines.

[APPROVAL OF WARRANTS](#)

10.3 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT)

10.4 INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL REQUESTS

10.5 FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

10.5.a APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIP REQUEST FROM SILAS HIGH SCHOOL TO ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA, APRIL 17-21, 2024

The Assistant Superintendent of K-12 Support recommends that the Board of Directors approve the out-of-state field trip request for the Scintillation Show Choir at Silas High School to attend the Anaheim Heritage Festival in Anaheim, California, April 17-21, 2024. [Funding Source: Students, families, and fundraising].

[APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIP REQUEST FROM SILAS HIGH SCHOOL TO ANAHEIM CALIFORNIA, APRIL 17-21, 2024](#)

10.6 APPROVAL OF THE PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources recommends that the Board of Directors approve the personnel recommendations to the Superintendent for the September 14, 2023 Board Meeting.

[APPROVAL OF THE PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SUPERINTENDENT](#)

10.7 OTHER

11. POLICY MATTERS

None.

12. FINANCIAL REPORT

The district's next quarterly financial report is planned for November 9, 2023. Monthly financial statements can be found on the district website at <https://www.tacomaschools.org/departments/businessandfinance>

13. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

13.1 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT NO. TSD-23-130 BETWEEN AUBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2023 - AUGUST 31, 2024

The Deputy Superintendent, on behalf of the Director of Student Services, recommends that the Board of Directors approve Contract No. TSD-23-130 between Auburn School District and Tacoma Public Schools from September 1, 2023 - August 31, 2024 with an expected revenue of approximately \$45,000 per student, per year.

[APPROVAL OF CONTRACT NO. TSD-23-130 BETWEEN AUBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2023 - AUGUST 31, 2024](#)

13.2 APPROVAL OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR U.W. IN THE HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

The Assistant Superintendent of K-12 Support, on behalf of the Executive Director of Secondary Education, recommends that the Board of Directors approve the Interlocal Agreement between University of Washington and Tacoma Public Schools for College in the High Schools from August 31, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

[APPROVAL OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR UW IN THE HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR](#)

13.3 APPROVAL OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ECEAP) FY 2023-24 CONTINUATION GRANT

The Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning recommends that the Board of Directors approve the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program Continuation Grant from July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024 in the amount of \$2,160,004.77. [Funding Source: Early Learning]

[APPROVAL OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM \(ECEAP\) FY 2023-24 CONTINUATION GRANT.pdf](#)

14. BUSINESS MATTERS

14.1 APPROVAL OF BID ACCEPTANCE FOR THE WESTEND SWING SCHOOL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER FIRE ALARM REPLACEMENT PROJECT

The Chief Operating Officer recommends that the Board of Directors accept the bid for the Westend Swing School & Professional Development Center Fire Alarm Replacement Project from J.A. Morris in the amount of \$1,110,300.00 excluding sales tax. [Funding Source: Capital Project Bond as approved by voters on February 11, 2020]

[APPROVAL OF BID ACCEPTANCE FOR WESTEND SWING SITE V2.pdf](#)

14.2 APPROVAL OF NEGOTIATION AND CONTRACT FOR SCHOOL BUS GENERAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION

The Chief Financial Officer recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the Superintendent to award the contract, dependent upon ridership needs, in the estimated amount of \$53,399,287 for school bus transportation to First Student. [Funding Source: State Funds/Program 99]

[APPROVAL OF NEGOTIATION AND CONTRACT FOR SCHOOL BUS GENERAL EDUCATION TRANSPORTATION](#)

14.3 APPROVAL OF NEGOTIATION AND CONTRACT FOR SCHOOL BUS MAINTENANCE

The Chief Financial Officer recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and award the contract for school bus maintenance to First Student for a contract value of \$600,000, exclusive of sales tax, for a period of three years with the option to extend the contract for an additional two years. [Funding Source: State Funds/Program 99]

APPROVAL OF NEGOTIATION AND CONTRACT FOR SCHOOL BUS MAINTENANCE

15. OTHER BUSINESS

15.1 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2128, OUTSTANDING WARRANTS

The Chief Financial Officer recommends that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution No. 2128 and cancel warrants that have remained outstanding for over one year.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2128 OUTSTANDING WARRANTS

15.2 ADOPTION OF BOARD ANNUAL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

The Board of Directors will individually adopt the annual goals and objectives they formulated for the 2023-2024 school year.

ADOPTION OF BOARD ANNUAL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

15.2.a GOAL #1: HEALTH AND SAFETY/ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

The District's General Counsel recommends the Board of Directors adopt Goal #1: Health & Safety/Environmental Stewardship.

We will create and maintain healthy and safe learning environments that promote excellent academic achievement.

This year, the Board of Directors will work with staff to conduct a comparative analysis across municipalities on environmental green practices related to transportation, including fiscal impacts and potential policy implications.

15.2.b GOAL #2: ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE/EQUITY

The District's General Counsel recommends the Board of Directors adopt Goal #2: Academic Excellence/Equity.

We will support all students to perform at or above grade level and eliminate group disparities.

This year, the Board of Directors will focus on improving the success of TPS students enrolled in Indian Education by expanding our Board knowledge and expertise around tribal relations, sovereignty, and culture.

15.2.c GOAL #3: ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE/EQUITY

The District's General Counsel recommends the Board of Directors adopt Goal #3: Academic Excellence/Equity.

We will support all students to perform at or above grade level and eliminate group disparities.

This year, the Board of Directors will focus on improving access to TPS students enrolled in Tacoma Flex by increasing the percentage and total number of BIPOC students choosing Tacoma Flex and track relevant data regarding choice patterns and demographics.

15.2.d GOAL #4: SOCIAL EMOTIONAL WELLBEING/MENTAL HEALTH

The District's General Counsel recommends the Board of Directors adopt Goal #4: Social Emotional Wellbeing/Mental Health.

We will create and maintain healthy and safe learning environments that promote excellent academic achievement.

This year, the Board of Directors will focus on improving access for TPS students to outside medical providers to address student supports in depression and anxiety.

16. BOARD COMMENTS/REPORTS

Committee Reports:

Community Events:

Updates/Comments:

17. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

September 28, 2023

6:00PM - Business Meeting

October 12, 2023

6:00PM - Business Meeting

18. ADJOURNMENT

President Bonbright will adjourn the meeting.