



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Central Administration Building
601 South 8th Street – Tacoma, WA 98405
4th Floor Auditorium
Thursday, December 10, 2015 06:00 PM

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board met in Executive Session for approximately 15 minutes to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity 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.

2. CALL TO ORDER

The Board met in regular session on Thursday, December 10, 2015 in the fourth floor auditorium fo the Central Administration Building located at 601 South 8th Street in Tacoma, Washington. Board President called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

3. FLAG SALUTE

President Heinze led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ROLL CALL

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

5. OATH OF OFFICE

Superintendent Santorno administered the Oath of Office to newly elected board member Andrea Cobb. Catherine Ushka was given the Oath of Office ceremonially by her father Mike Ushka and her daughter Amelia Hall. Superintendent Santorno officially administered the Oath of Office for Director Ushka prior to the meeting.

6. BOARD REORGANIZATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Board President

Director Ushka nominated Director Vialle for President. Director Winskill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

Director Vialle assumed the meeting chair position.

Board Vice-President

Director Heinze nominated Director Ushka for Vice-President. Director Winskill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

7. 5-Minute Break

The Board took a 5-minute recess to re-organize.

8. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

9. RECOGNITION OF STAFF, STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

9.1 RECOGNITION OF GOLD STAR COMMUNITY PARTNER AWARD TO FAITH-COMMUNITY PARTNER, EASTSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

The Board of Directors recognized Eastside Community Church as being awarded the Gold Star Community Partner Award.

9.2 RECOGNITION OF MASON MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL PATRICE SULKOSKY FOR SUPPORTING STAFF MEMBERS SERVING IN THE U.S. MILITARY NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVES

The Board of Directors recognized Mason Middle School Principal Patrice Sulkosky for supporting staff members serving in the Guard and Reserve.

9.3 RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING JANUARY 2016 AS TACOMA WHOLE CHILD MONTH

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors proclaim January 2016 as Tacoma Whole Child Month and encourages community partner municipalities, agencies and organizations to declare their support for a whole child approach to education. Director Ushka seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

10. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Rebecca Padilla addressed the Board to express appreciation to Sheridan Elementary School for their response to a recent emergency incident in the area.

Kristie Johnson addressed the Board regarding the enrollment process at SAMI.

Sally Perkins and Eve Bowen addressed the Board regarding Achievement Gap.

Alton McDonald addressed the Board regarding discrimination and racism.

11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

11.1 McCarver Literacy Project

Director of Community Partnerships, Amanda Scott-Thomas presented an update on the McCarver Literacy Enrichment Program.

12. CONSENT AGENDA

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

12.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

12.1.a APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 23, 2015 BOARD MEETING

12.2 AUTHORIZATION OF CERTIFICATE TO PIERCE COUNTY TREASURER

12.2.a APPROVAL OF THE CERTIFICATE TO PIERCE COUNTY TREASURER FOR THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 10, 2015 - NOVEMBER 20, 2015

12.3 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT)

12.4 OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REQUESTS - TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- 12.4.a **APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATORS AND COUNSELORS FOR TRAVEL TO NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, JULY 9-12, 2016**
- 12.4.b **APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FROM LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL TO WASHINGTON, DC MARCH 11-12, 2016**
- 12.4.c **APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION TO WASHINGTON, DC FEBRUARY 17-20, 2016**
- 12.4.d **APPROVAL OF TRAVEL FOR FIRST CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL STAFF TO SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO, FEBRUARY 18-20, 2016**
- 12.4.e **APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR TEACHING & LEARNING TO ATLANTA, GEORGIA, APRIL 1 - 6, 2016**
- 12.4.f **APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTOR TO WASHINGTON, DC JANUARY 23-26, 2016**

12.5 INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL REQUESTS

- 12.5.a **APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR LINCOLN TEACHER TO ROME, ITALY, JANUARY 14-17, 2016**
- 12.5.b **APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR TEACHER AT LINCOLN AND STADIUM HIGH SCHOOL TO TRAVEL TO FUZHOU, CHINA, DECEMBER 10-27, 2015**

12.6 PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

13. POLICY MATTERS

13.1 POLICY 2010 INNOVATION SCHOOL DESIGNATION, ADOPTION

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors approve the revisions to Policy 2010-Innovation School Designation & Adoption. Director Cobb seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 years.

14. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

There was no Quarterly Financial Update.

15. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

15.1 APPROVAL OF AP COMPUTER SCIENCE FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION EQUIVALENCY CREDIT

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors approve AP computer science courses as equivalent to high school mathematics or science consistent with the requirements of RCW 28A.230.097. Director Ushka seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 years.

15.2 APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM #3 BETWEEN TACOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT AND HOPESPARKS, "THE READINESS TO LEARN PROJECT" CONTRACT TSD-15-074

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors approve Addendum #3 between HopeSparks and Tacoma School District. Director Ushka seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 years.

16. BUSINESS MATTERS

16.1 APPROVAL OF 20 YEAR CONTRACT FOR REPRODUCTION, DIGITIZING AND FORMATTING

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors approve the award of Contract No. TSD-16-157 with ARC

Document Solutions for reproduction, digitizing and large format printing services. Director Ushka seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

16.2 APPROVAL OF TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET INCREASE AND CHANGE ORDER NO. 01 AND NO. 02 WITH ABSHER CONSTRUCTION CO. FOR THE WILSON HIGH SCHOOL REPLACEMENT AND MODERNIZATION

Director Heinze moved that the Board of Directors approve the total project budget increase including Change Order No. 01 and No. 2 for new construction of the music building and off-site improvements as a part of the Phase 2 Replacement and Modernization project at Wilson High School. Director Winskill seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

16.3 APPROVAL OF INTERDISTRICT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR THE FINANCING AND OPERATION OF THE PIERCE COUNTY SKILLS CENTER

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors approve the annual renewal of the Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for the Financing and Operation of the Pierce County Skills Center. Director Ushka seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

16.4 APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF NINE NEW SCHOOL BUSES

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors approve the purchase of nine new school buses using the State of Washington Department of General Administration Contract. Director Ushka seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

17. OTHER BUSINESS

17.1 ADOPTION OF PARTNERSHIP BENCHMARK GOALS

First Reading

17.2 APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL CONTINUOUS SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS FOR THE 2015-16 SCHOOL YEAR

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors approve the annual renewal of the Continuous School Improvement Plan for the 2015-2016 school year. Director Cobb seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

18. REPORT TO THE BOARD

18.1 Proposed Boundary Change Report

Chief Operating Officer Steve Murakami presented information on the boundary change project and report on work done by the Boundary Review Committee.

19. BOARD COMMENTS/REPORTS

Director Heinze reported that he and Director Vialle and Deputy Superintendent Garcia recently met with the US Secretary of Education, Arne Duncan in Washington DC and discussed the Tacoma Whole Child Initiative, multiple measures and the implementation of the new Elementary and Secondary Education Act, among other topics.

Director Heinze also commented on the topic of middle school students needing mentors, which was brought up at the All City PTA meeting recently.

Director Cobb commented on being elected to the Board and that she's looking forward to the work.

Director Winskill commented on high school start times.

Director Ushka commended Director Vialle and Director Heinze on their work with legislators. Director Ushka also commented on the great work done by Tacoma Police Department during the recent emergency event.

Student Representative Bernarte stated how grateful she is to be a part of this school board.

Student Representative Olson reported on events and activities at Stadium High School.

Director Vialle commented on discussing Grant Equity with federal legislators.

20. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

January 14, 2016 Benchmark Report - Early Learning

21. ADJOURNMENT

Director Ushka moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm. Director Cobb seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with 5 yeas.

Minutes approved by the Board on: _____

Signed by: _____
Superintendent Carla Santorno

By: _____
Board President, Karen Vialle