



## Board of Directors Business Meeting Meeting Minutes

The Tacoma Public Schools Board of Directors will meet for a Business Meeting on the date and time above 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.

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Thursday, March 9, 2023 06:00 PM

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Board met in regular session on Thursday, March 9, 2023 in the fourth floor auditorium of the Central Administration Building located at 601 South 8th Street in Tacoma, Washington.

**2. FLAG SALUTE**

Board President Bonbright led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Board President Bonbright read a statement to honor and acknowledge that we are on the traditional ancestral and historical lands of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians.

**4. ROLL CALL**

Directors Bonbright, Keating, Leon, McElroy and Strozier were in attendance.  
 Alternate student representative Peterson was in attendance. No other student representatives were present.

**5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as presented.

**6. RECOGNITION OF STAFF, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY**

**6.1 STATE HOLIDAYS AND CIVIC OBSERVANCES**

Each month, the Board recognizes State and Federal civic observances that are both legislatively recognized and which align with the District's strategic plan.

**6.1.a CESAR CHAVEZ DAY - MARCH 31**

**7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**7.1 OVERVIEW OF GRADING POLICY WORK**

Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning Edmond gave an overview of the grading policy work and what the next steps are in the process.

**8. STAFF REPORT TO THE BOARD**

**8.1 STRATEGIC BENCHMARK MONITORING REPORT - EARLY LEARNING (PRESCHOOL)**

Director of Early Learning Rahl-Lewis presented the annual monitoring report for Early Learning.

## 9. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

### *Spoken public comments:*

The following members of the public addressed the Board regarding the Stanley Playfield:

- o Tiffani Reyes
- o Hunter Henderson
- o Jennifer Lacy

The following members of the public addressed the Board regarding support for the Stafford Elementary principal:

- o Sarah Garriott
- o Amanda Ellis
- o Christa Hall

### *Written public comments:*

- o Matt Wood wrote the Board regarding Health & P.E. Advocacy in Washington, D.C.
- o Mo wrote the Board regarding support for the Stafford Elementary principal.

## 10. CONSENT AGENDA

Director McElroy moved that the Board of Directors approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Director Keating seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 years.

### 10.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

#### 10.1.a APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 23, 2023 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

#### 10.1.b APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 9, 2023 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

### 10.2 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 FOR MT. TAHOMA HIGH SCHOOL TO WASHINGTON, D.C., APRIL 14-24, 2023

### 10.6 APPROVAL OF THE PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

### 10.7 OTHER

## 11. POLICY MATTERS

### 11.1 FIRST READING OF REVISED POLICY 1310 - POLICY ADOPTION, MANUALS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

As this was a first reading, there was no action taken.

## 12. FINANCIAL REPORT

Chief Financial Officer Medina presented the quarterly financial report.

The district's next quarterly financial report is planned for May 25, 2023. Monthly financial statements can be found on the district website at <https://www.tacomaschools.org/departments/businessandfinance>.

## 13. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

There were no Curriculum and Instruction agenda items.

## 14. BUSINESS MATTERS

### 14.1 APPROVAL OF THE GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE (GMP) AMENDMENT 2 TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN TACOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 AND SKANSKA USA BUILDING INC FOR THE BRYANT MONTESSORI K-8 SCHOOL REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Director McElroy moved that the Board of Directors approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price Amendment which states the cost for the Bryant Montessori K-8 School Project and authorize the Superintendent or Designee to sign said Amendment in the amount of \$37,406,640 excluding sales tax. Director Keating seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 years.

**14.2 APPROVAL OF THE GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE (GMP) AMENDMENT 3 TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN TACOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 AND ABSHER CONSTRUCTION FOR PHASE 2 OF THE SAFETY AND SECURITY UPGRADES BUNDLE PROJECT**

Director Keating moved that the Board of Directors approve GMP Amendment 3 which states the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for the purchase and installation completion of access controls, intrusion detection and intercom upgrades and authorize the Superintendent or designee to sign said GMP Amendment 3 in the amount of \$17,490,843 excluding sales tax. Director Strozier seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 years.

**14.3 APPROVAL OF THE GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE (GMP) AMENDMENT 2 TO CONTRACT NO. TSD-22-075, BETWEEN TACOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 AND ATS AUTOMATION FOR THE HVAC/INDOOR AIR QUALITY UPGRADES PROJECT**

Director Strozier moved that the Board of Directors approve GMP Amendment 2 which states the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for scope of work at Blix ES, Silas HS, and Lincoln HS. The Chief Operating Officer also recommends the Board authorize the superintendent or designee to sign said GMP Amendment 2 in the amount of \$5,260,180 excluding sales tax. Director Keating seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 years.

**14.4 APPROVAL TO NEGOTIATE AND AWARD DESIGN/BUILD ALTERNATIVE DELIVERY METHOD CONTRACT WITH BNBUILDERS AND TCF ARCHITECTURE FOR OAKLAND HIGH SCHOOL HISTORIC MODERNIZATION PROJECT**

Director Keating moved that the Board of Directors approve the Superintendent to negotiate and award a contract to BNBuilders for the Design/Build alternative method for the Oakland High School Historic Modernization Project. Director Leon seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 years.

**15. OTHER BUSINESS**

**15.1 RATIFICATION OF THE 2022-2026 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN TACOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 AND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES OF TACOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION LOCAL 1948 (NUTRITION SERVICES)**

Director Keating moved that the Board of Directors ratify the collective bargaining agreements between Tacoma School District No. 10 and the Membership of the Public School Employees of Tacoma School District Service Employees International Union Local 1948 (Nutrition Services). Director Leon seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 years.

**16. BOARD COMMENTS/REPORTS**

Committee Reports:

- o Director Keating attended the WASA/WSSDA/WASBO conference and Day on the Hill meetings with legislators. The bills being discussed in the meetings were around the importance of special education funding, transportation funding, and improving the transportation funding formula for districts across the state, including ours.
- o Director McElroy attended the Head Start Policy Council. She loves seeing parents engage in the process and learn to govern themselves.
- o Director Bonbright attended the WSSDA Large District Caucus meeting about legislative issues, with the conversation centered primarily about the complexities of special education funding and how it affects all the school districts.

Community Events

- o Director Bonbright attended a rally in support of transgender youth in our community, put together by Director Keating. It was really well attended with lots of electeds, community partners, students, and families.

Updates/Comments:

- o Director Leon attended a Student Listening Session at Lincoln High School. He shared appreciation of the students for their openness and sharing their insights around testing and other topics. -♦- He mentioned the unified basketball games for Mount Tahoma and Lincoln, both of whom have won state championships. -♦- He also shared that he will be taking a sabbatical during the month of April to do volunteer medical work in Peru, so he will miss all board meetings that month.
- o Director Keating toured the new Willie Stewart Academy location at 9th & Broadway. Principal Froembling shared that since moving to the updated space, student attendance and engagement has increased, and they have a sense of pride in their space. -♦- She attended the Foss freshman Biology class PSA presentations, which were centered on COVID and vaccines, which were really well done. Key components in all the presentations was the inclusion of racial and social justice impacts such as vaccination hesitancy, etc.
- o Director McElroy read to a few classes at both Birney and Stanley elementary schools for the Read Across America events, including in a deaf and hard of hearing class, where they gifted her a copy of *Brown Bear, Brown Bear* to learn how to sign it at home. At the event, she met 4 of our Tacoma daffodil princesses who expressed that they would love more support from the Tacoma community. They feel that other cities have more engagement. The Daffodil Parade is coming up and the Jr. Daffodil Parade will be coming back.
- o Director Bonbright attended Read Across America events at both Birney and McCarver elementary schools in a K-1st

and a deaf and hard of hearing classroom. She commented on how engaged and inquisitive the kids were at each school. -♦- She attended the Lady Abes varsity girls basketball game, which was a very tight, exciting game and moved them into the placing rounds, where they earned 6th place. -♦- She also attended the Foss biology class PSA presentations and commended teachers Langton and Kagochi who put it together. She echoed that the social justice component that they included was very powerful.

Student Representative(s):

- o Representative Peterson, Lincoln, shared that the ASB is organizing a volleyball tournament. They will also be holding a Sneaker Ball on March 24th. The school will be celebrating Spirit Week soon, with a pep assembly, class competitions, and school games.

**17. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS**

March 16, 2023  
5:45PM - Board Retreat

March 23, 2023  
6:00PM - Business Meeting

April 13, 2023  
6:00PM - Business Meeting

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

President Bonbright adjourned the business meeting at 7:45pm.

**19. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Tacoma Public Schools Board of Directors met for an Executive Session immediately following the regular Board Business Meeting for 30 minutes in the CAB 4th Floor Boardroom. The purpose of the Executive Session was to discuss with legal counsel RCW42.30.110(c), to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease. Executive Sessions are closed to the public. No action was taken.