



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Central Administration Building
601 South 8th Street – Tacoma, WA 98405
4th Floor Auditorium
Thursday, January 28, 2016 06:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board met in regular session on Thursday January 28, 2016 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.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Director Cobb led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Directors Vialle, Ushka, Winskill and Cobb were present. Director Vialle moved to excuse Director Heinze. Director Cobb seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors adopt the agenda as presented. DirectorUshka seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

5. RECOGNITION OF STAFF, STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

5.1 RECOGNITION OF GOLD STAR COMMUNITY PARTNER AWARD TO ALISHA WOODS

The Board of Directors recognized Alisha Wood as being awarded the Gold Star Community Partner Award.

6. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Sally Perkins addressed the Board regarding benchmarks.

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

7.1 Human Resources - Progress Towards Goals

Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, Lisa Nolan provided the Board with an update on the department progress toward goals.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Director Winskill moved to approve the consent calendar. Director Ushka seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

8.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

8.1.a APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 14, 2016 BOARD MEETING

8.2 AUTHORIZATION OF CERTIFICATE TO PIERCE COUNTY TREASURER

**8.2.a APPROVAL OF THE CERTIFICATE TO PIERCE COUNTY TREASURER FOR THE PERIOD
DECEMBER 29, 2015 - JANUARY 7, 2016**

8.3 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT)

8.3.a APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 2015 UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

8.4 OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REQUESTS-TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**8.4.a APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR STANLEY ELEMENTARY, STEWART MIDDLE SCHOOL,
AND FIRST CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL TO ATLANTA, GEORGIA, MARCH 31-APRIL 4, 2016**

**8.4.b APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL SERVICES AND THE
BUDGET DIRECTOR TO BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, APRIL 2 - 6, 2016**

**8.4.c APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR 2 SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS TO NEW ORLEANS,
LOUISIANA ON FEBRUARY 10-13, 2016.**

**8.4.d APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR PRINCIPAL AT THE WILLIE STEWART ACADEMY TO
DUBUQUE, IOWA, MARCH 15-18, 2016**

**8.4.e APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY TO DENVER,
COLORADO, JUNE 25-29, 2016**

**8.4.f APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR TECHNOLOGY SERVICES AND BUSINESS SERVICES
TO NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK, JULY 10-13, 2016**

8.5 INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL REQUESTS

**8.5.a APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR MASON MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER TO BIOT,
FRANCE, JANUARY 30-FEBRUARY 6, 2016**

8.6 OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REQUESTS - PRIVATE SCHOOLS

**8.6.a APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR ST CHALRES BORROMEO SCHOOL TO SAN DIEGO,
CALIFORNIA MARCH 26 - 31, 2016**

8.7 PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

8.7.a APPROVAL OF THE PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

9. POLICY MATTERS

9.1 POLICY 2015-SCHOOL INNOVATION

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors adopt revised Policy 2015, School Innovation. Director Ushka seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

10. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

11. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

12. BUSINESS MATTERS

12.1 ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2005, WHITTIER/WAINWRIGHT BOUNDARY REVISIONS

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution No. 2005, directing the adjustment of District attendance areas in anticipation of the opening of the Wainwright/Whittier Intermediate School. Director Ushka seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

**12.2 APPROVAL OF SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL SOURCE FOR FURNITURE LAYOUT AND DESIGN OF THE
HUMAN RESOURCES REMODEL**

Director Winskill moved that the Board of Directors approve the selection of Sustainable School Source and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Sustainable School Source not to exceed \$500,000 for the remodel of the Human Resources offices. Director Cobb seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

13. OTHER BUSINESS

14. REPORT TO THE BOARD

14.1 Report: Construction Update

Chief Operating Officer, Stephen Murakami provided the Board with an update on the various construction projects throughout the district.

15. BOARD COMMENTS/REPORTS

Student Representative Bernarte reported on issues discussed at All-City Senate, including the desire for additional security camera's in school parking lots as well as ensuring that existing camera's are functioning properly.

Student Representative Olson reported on similar concerns regarding security camera's and dim lighting. Ms. Olson also requested clarification on the IDEA School focus.

Director Winskill commented regarding the lack of cursive writing teaching in elementary school.

Director Ushka commented on cursive writing instruction as well as high school start times. Ms. Ushka noted that a recent article written by teacher Nate Bowling raised questions regarding school choice and related transportation issues.

Director Vialle commented on Pierce Transit issues affecting student transportation as well as the need to review middle school boundaries in the near future. Deputy Superintendent Garcia asked that the Board send any comments or guidance to Board President Vialle and then staff would collect that.

16. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Saturday February 6 Board Retreat 9am-12pm Location: Tacoma Nature Center, 1919 S Tyler St, Tacoma, WA, 98405

Wednesday February 10 Joint Meeting with Metro Parks Tacoma 8:30am-10:00am Location: Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium Education Building

Thursday February 11 Regular Meeting 6:00pm Location: 4th Floor Auditorium, Central Administration Building

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board met in Executive Session for approximately 20 minutes to discuss with legal counsel representing the district potential litigation to which the district 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 district and to review negotiations on the performance of publicly bid contracts when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased costs.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Director Vialle moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm. Director Ushka seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with 4 yeas.

Minutes approved by the Board on: _____

By: _____

Board President, Karen Vialle

Signed by: _____

Superintendent Carla Santorno