



Board of Directors Business Meeting Meeting Minutes

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Thursday, September 24, 2020 06:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board met in regular session on Thursday, September 24, 2020 via a live stream open meeting pursuant to the Proclamation by the governor amending Proclamation 20-05, 20-28 Open Public Meetings Act and Public Records Act. Pursuant to the Governor’s COVID19 Emergency Orders, the Governor’s Proclamation 20-28, Tacoma School Board Resolution 2074 and by order of the Superintendent, the Tacoma Public Schools Central Administration Building is closed to the public. Members of the public were not allowed in the Central Administration building for this meeting.

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

2. ROLL CALL

Directors Cobb, Bonbright, Keating, and Leon were present.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

4. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

[Public Comments](#) were submitted by the following:

Name	Topic
Brett Larabee	Gault Middle School
Carlie Thornhill (2 comments)	Gault Middle School
Dometop Neighborhood Alliance	Gault Middle School
Elizabeth Walle	Erroneous Information on TPS Website
Emily Wilson	Gault Middle School
Hannah Miner	Gault Middle School
Jany & William Mattox	Gault Middle School
Jennifer Kenyon-Gentry & Randy Kenyon	Gault Middle School
Joanne Babic	Gault Middle School
John Frazier	Gault Middle School
Joyce Glass	Gault Middle School
Kim Hansen	Gault Middle School
Stacey Richard	Gault Middle School
Susan Schreurs	Gault Middle School
Verda Washington	Gault Middle School
Wynnae Wright	Gault Middle School

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

5.1 BOND AND TAX UPDATE

Rosalind Medina, Chief Financial Officer in Business and Finance, gave a presentation on the background and process followed regarding Item 10.1 on the agenda, "Adoption of Resolution No. 2089 - Unlimited Tax General Obligations Bonds, 2020." Board members were able to ask questions after the presentation.

5.2 SCHOOL YEAR START UPDATES

Superintendent Santorno and Deputy Superintendent Garcia shared successes and continuing challenges that the district has been facing as we continue navigating COVID-19's effect on the start of the 2020-21 school year. Christopher Williams, Chief Operating Officer of Facilities, shared the extra cleaning protocols that have been put into place.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Director Leon moved to approve the consent agenda. Director Bonbright seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

6.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.1.a APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 13, 2020 SCHOOL BOARD RETREAT MINUTES

President Heinze's name was misspelled in the minutes as presented. The Board assistant will correct the misspelling before posting the minutes to the website.

6.1.b APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 31, 2020 SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

6.1.c APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2020 SCHOOL BOARD BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

6.2 AUTHORIZATION OF CERTIFICATE TO PIERCE COUNTY TREASURER

6.2.a APPROVAL OF THE CERTIFICATE TO THE PIERCE COUNTY TREASURER FOR JULY 29, 2020 - AUGUST 28, 2020

6.2.b APPROVAL OF THE CERTIFICATE TO THE PIERCE COUNTY TREASURER FOR SEPTEMBER 2, 2020 - SEPTEMBER 11, 2020

6.3 APPROVAL OF THE PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

7. POLICY MATTERS

7.1 SECOND READING OF POLICY NO. 3424 AND SECTION 3000 OPIOID RELATED OVERDOSE REVERSAL.

Director Bonbright moved that the Board of Directors approve the Second Reading of Policy No. 3424 and Section 3000 Opioid Related Overdose Reversal [Funding Source: K-12 Support] as presented. Director Leon seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

8. FINANCIAL REPORT

Presentations on the financial health of the district will be made during regular board meetings on a quarterly basis. Monthly financial statements can be found on the district website at <https://www.tacomaschools.org/departments/budget/financial-reporting>. With the ongoing migration of the Tacoma Public Schools website, financial reports from April-July 2020 have not yet been uploaded. For copies of a financial statement that is not available on the website, email a request to: cfo@tacoma.k12.wa.us.

9. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

10. BUSINESS MATTERS

10.1 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2089 - UNLIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATIONS BONDS, 2020

Director Keating made a motion that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution No. 2089 authorizing the Superintendent and Chief Financial Officer to approve the final terms of the issuance, sale, and delivery of the bonds. Director Bonbright seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and the chair declared the motion passed 4-0.

10.2 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2090 REGARDING OUTSTANDING WARRANTS

Director Keating made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2090 canceling warrants that have remained outstanding for over one year. Director Leon seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

10.3 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2091 TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPENDING SALE OF THE RIALTO GARAGE

Director Leon made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2091 and approve the sale of the Rialto Garage. Director Keating seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and the chair declared the motion passed 4-0.

10.4 APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH PIERCE TRANSIT FOR ORCA CARD PURCHASE FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

Director Bonbright made a motion to authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Pierce Transit for 7,900 ORCA Passport Cards in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for the 2020-2021 school year. [Funding source: Transportation Fund]. Director Keating seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

10.5 APPROVAL OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL EMERGENCY RELIEF (ESSER) FUND GRANT

Director Bonbright made a motion to approve acceptance of the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund Grants from the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction in the amount of \$8,277,138 and expenditure of funds in accordance with accepted guidelines. [Funding source: Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction]. Director Leon seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

10.6 APPROVAL OF SCHOOL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT FROM PIERCE COUNTY

Director Keating made a motion to approve acceptance of the School Assistance Program Grant from Pierce County in the amount of \$750,000 and expenditure of funds in accordance with accepted guidelines. [Funding source: Pierce County]. Director Bonbright seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

10.7 APPROVAL OF COLLEGE BOARD CONTRACT FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Director Bonbright made a motion to approve College Board's College Readiness and Success Contract in the amount of \$200,912 for the 2020-2021 school year. Director Keating seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

10.8 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH COLLEGE BOARD FOR THE ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAM FEES FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Director Keating made a motion to approve the College Board's Advanced Placement Program Exam Fees for the 2020-2021 school year (Contract TSD21-002). [Funding source: Assessment Budget]. Director Bonbright seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

10.9 APPROVAL OF HIGHLY CAPABLE COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM PLAN/ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Director Leon made a motion to approve the Highly Capable Comprehensive Program Plan and Acceptance of Grant Funds from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. [Funding source: Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction]. Director Bonbright seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

10.10 APPROVAL OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Director Bonbright made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between University of Washington and Tacoma Public Schools for College in the High Schools from September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Director Keating seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

10.11 APPROVAL OF INCREASE IN PURCHASE ORDER TO WASHINGTON STATE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT

Director Keating made a motion to approve the increase in the purchase order for the Washington State Employment Security Department for total expenditures of \$785,000 during the 2019-2020 school year. Director Leon seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

10.12 APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE WITH TACOMA JODY MILLER CONSTRUCTION INC.

Director Bonbright made a motion to approve the settlement agreement with Tacoma Jody Miller Construction Inc. Director Leon seconded the motion. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 RATIFICATION OF THE 2019-2022 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN TACOMA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 AND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, LOCAL 302 (CUSTODIANS).

Director Keating made a motion to ratify the collective bargaining agreements between Tacoma School District No. 10 and the Membership of the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 302 (Custodians). Director Bonbright seconded the move. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas.

11.2 APPROVAL OF SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES TO INTERVIEW FOR APPOINTMENT TO VACANT POSITION

The Board of Directors received 9 applications for vacant position #3:

- Farrington Cador
- Alexandra Corrigan-Luke
- Jessica Crask
- Ronnie Gordon
- Melody Rodriguez
- Natalie Sanders
- Dawn Smith
- Korey Strozier
- Wilton Waverly

Board members met previously in an executive session to discuss the qualifications they felt were needed to complement the work of the Board. Director Cobb made a call for nominations to move candidates forward for interviews, rotating through each director until no further nominations were made.

- Director Bonbright nominated Ronald Gordon to move forward for an interview. Director Keating seconded the nomination. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the nomination carried with a vote of 4 yeas.
- Director Keating nominated Melody Rodriguez to move forward for an interview. Director Leon seconded the nomination. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the nomination carried with a vote of 4 yeas.
- Director Leon nominated Farrington Cador to move forward for an interview. Director Bonbright seconded the nomination. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the nomination carried with a vote of 4 yeas.
- Director Cobb nominated Korey Strozier to move forward for an interview. Director Keating seconded the nomination. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the nomination carried with a vote of 4 yeas.
- Director Bonbright had no further nominations.
- Director Keating nominated Wilton Waverly to move forward for an interview. Director Leon seconded the nomination. A voice vote was called and the chair declared the nomination carried with a vote of 4 yeas.
- Director Leon had no further nominations.
- Director Cobb had no further nominations.

The 5 nominees will be interviewed in Special Meetings to be held on September 28, 2020 and October 1, 2020.

12. REPORT TO THE BOARD

12.1 BENCHMARK: ANNUAL EARLY LEARNING (PRESCHOOL)

Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning, Marie Verhaar and Assistant Superintendent of K-12 Support, Toni Pace presented a Strategic Benchmark Annual Report for Early Learning Preschool.

13. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, September 28
6:30PM Special Meeting to Conduct Interviews

Thursday, October 1
6:00PM Special Meeting to Conduct Interviews

Thursday, October 8
6:00PM Regular Business Meeting

Thursday, October 15
6:00PM Study Session

14. BOARD COMMENTS/REPORTS

Committee Reports:

Director Bonbright reported on the different meetings/committees she's attended since the last business meeting: Joint Municipal Action Committee (JMAC); the TPS Citizens Audit and Finance Committee; Project Child Success (Pierce County); weekly Washington State School Directors Association (WSSDA) webinars regarding best practices for dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic; weekly Local Elected Officials conference calls regarding COVID-19 responses/support; and attended several sessions of the National School Board Association Council of Urban Boards of Education virtual conference.

Director Keating is participating in the WSSDA Legislative Assembly meeting this week, serving as a voting delegate.

Community Events:

Director Leon mentioned that this month is Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month. The theme this year is "Pride in the past and embrace the future."

Updates/Comments:

Jazmin Pearson, Student Representative, mentioned that students are dealing with the transition from Teams meetings to Schoology. Many students took the SAT test on September 23, 2020.

Director Leon is in preliminary discussions with the Superintendent/Deputy Superintendents and others to investigate testing of students and teachers who're asymptomatic for COVID-19.

Directors Cobb and Leon both paid homage to local advocate and community pillar Harold Moss, who passed away earlier this week.

15. ADJOURNMENT

President Cobb moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:12pm.