

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 19, 2023

This entire meeting can viewed at: <https://vimeo.com/896671785?share=copy>

Call to Order

President Williams called the Regular Board Meeting of the Shoreline Board of Directors to order in the Board Room of the Administrative Offices at the Shoreline Center at 6:04 p.m. on December 19, 2023. This meeting was also available to the community via Zoom.

Roll Call

Emily Williams, President; Sara Betnel, Vice President; Sarah Cohen, Director; Sylvia Gil, Director; Meghan Jernigan, Director; Aiden Rouhani and Lily Fredericks, Shorecrest Student Representatives; and Esme Harkess and Mitchell Ichinkhorloo, Shorewood Student Representatives.

Land Acknowledgement

President Williams provided a brief land acknowledgement.

Celebrations, Recognitions, Introductions and Gratitude

The oath of office was administered by Superintendent Reyes to newly re-elected board member, Meghan Jernigan.

Agenda Review

None

Comments from the Community

President Williams read the instructions for the community comment process and announced that a four-minute presentation had been approved prior to this meeting for the following individual:

- 1) Cameryn Hubbard, Shorewood Freshman, Member of Tlingit Haida Tribes of Southeast Alaska, accompanied by representatives of the Urban Native Education Alliance (UNEA) – Presented for the Board’s consideration a resolution declaring May 5th as Missing or Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP) Awareness Day. She then introduced Kayla Harstad, UNEA intern and Shoreline community member as they engaged in the Woman Warrior song, taught to them by Roxanne White (also in attendance). It originated from Martina Pierre and the 13 grandmothers and honors missing and murdered Indigenous people, families and relatives. All were asked to stand as this was an honor song. After the song, Cameryn read the proposed resolution in its entirety. *[This was brought back on the February 13 regular meeting agenda as Proclamation #1, signed by Superintendent Susana Reyes.]*

The following representatives of the UNEA also spoke in person on behalf of the MMIP resolution:

- 2) Amelia Andress, Seneca Iroquois Woman
- 3) Kayla Harstad (see above)
- 4) Landyn Zyskowski, Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians
- 5) Mathew Warbonnet, Sicangu from South Dakota
- 6) Jerrilyn Hamley, Former Shorecrest Student
- 7) Sahali and Joe Keline, Muckleshoot Tribes (played a drum and sang a song)
- 8) Roxanne White (Walks with the People), Nimiipuu, Yakima, Nooksack and Ahaninin
- 9) Paula Matta-Molina, Domestic Violence Survivor, Mother of 2 Daughters (from Chile)
- 10) Sarah Sense-Wilson, UNEA Chair, Oglala Lakota
- 11) Tony Gales, Choctaw, Einstein Student
- 12) Carol Peloza, Tlingit (Cameryn Hubbard’s Grandmother)

- 13) Abe Gales, Choctaw of Oklahoma

The following individuals spoke in person on other topics:

- 14) Raquel Taylor, Briarcrest Parent – Spoke first in support of Cameryn Hubbard’s resolution regarding MMIP Awareness Day. Regarding upcoming changes to extended care programs, asked that the District please stay true to their word.
- 15) Anna Deliganis, Shorewood Alum, Mother and/or Aunt to 12 Shoreline Students – Would like to add recognition of the Suquamish Tribe to the Land Acknowledgement that is read at the beginning of each meeting. Proposed partnering with the tribe and learning more about their stories and their history.
- 16) Lanaya Waldron, Parent and Staff Member – Spoke on behalf of concerned parents and students of Kellogg Middle School regarding the loss of the middle school security monitor, which is creating downstream negative effects for the students and staff. She hopes the position will be refilled as soon as possible.

Prior to Lanaya Waldron’s comment, Sarah Sense-Wilson asked if a closing song could be played and permission was granted. Roxanne White introduced the Strong Woman song.

The following individual spoke over Zoom:

- 17) Linda Tsai, Shorewood Parent – Five years ago, she and 25 other parents approached the district administration about researching and implementing later start times in our high schools. Since then, the Board has heard on many occasions about the benefits of later start times. She respectfully asked if the Board had identified next steps and if so, when the community would hear about them.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 17 and November 7 Study Sessions and November 1 Special Board Meeting had been submitted to the Board for their review and approval.

MOTION NO. 12: Director Jernigan moved that the Board approve the minutes of the October 17 and November 7 Study Sessions and November 1 Special Board Meeting as submitted. The motion was seconded by Director Cohen and carried unanimously.

Adoption of Consent Agenda

President Williams announced that the Board had an opportunity to ask questions on the consent agenda and have them answered prior to this meeting. The following consent agenda was presented for adoption:

- a. Acceptance of Gifts, Grants, Donations
 - 1) Cascade K-8 Community School - \$16,500.00 – Cascade K-8 PTSA – ASB K-5 Spring Camp
 - 2) Cascade K-8 Community School - \$14,100.00 – Cascade K-8 PTSA – ASB Grade 6/7 Spring Camp
 - 3) Cascade K-8 Community School - \$7,290.00 – Cascade K-8 PTSA – ASB Grade 8 Camp
 - 4) District Food and Nutrition Services - \$5,000.00 – Penhollow’s Markets Store 193 dba Village Market Thriftway – Angel Fund
- b. Approval of 2023-2026 SEIU Local 925 – Transportation Employees Collective Bargaining Agreement
- c. Approval of Extended Field Trips
- d. Approval of Personnel
 - 1) Certificated
 - 2) Classified
- e. Approval of Vouchers

MOTION NO. 13: Director Cohen moved that the Board adopt the consent agenda, items 7a through 7e, which is attached hereto and becomes a part hereof. The motion was seconded by Director Betnel and carried unanimously.

As of December 19, 2023, the Board, by a unanimous vote, approved for payment, those vouchers described as follows: Reconciliation of Warrants Issued November 24 thru December 1, 2023 – General Fund Warrants #103354-103411, 232400207, 232400209-2324002332, 103430-103496, and 232400243-232400257, totaling \$518,377.40; Capital Projects Fund Warrants #103412-103415 and 103497-103498, totaling \$92,949.59; and Student Body Fund Warrants #103416-103429, 232400208, 232400233-232400242, 103499-103512 and 232400258-232400262, totaling \$75,584.38; for a grand total of \$686,911.37.

Reports and Presentations

2022-2023 Year-End Financial Report, 2023-2024 Enrollment Update – September thru December, 2023-2024 Financial Update – September and October, 2024-2025 Budget Outlook

Presenters:

Angela Von Essen, Assistant Superintendent, Business and Operations
Mark Spangenberg, Director of Finance and Business Services

Ms. Von Essen and Mr. Spangenberg shared a very thorough 120-slide PowerPoint presentation, which can be viewed here:

<https://app.eduportal.com/documents/view/886336>

The total fund balance for 2022-2023 was \$7,822,010, of which \$3,392,443 was reserved and \$4,429,578 was unreserved. The unreserved amount was 2.6% of total expenditures, which exceeded the projected 1.4% or \$2,312,000.

Enrollment through December 2023 was running 73.75 FTE over budget, but likely at the end of the year we will end up around 55 FTE over budget. This presentation included a review of the Budget Advisory Team's work as well as the budget timeline for 2024-2025.

After the presentation, the presenters engaged in discussion with the board members and student reps. In response to a question from Student Rep Fredericks, Ms. Von Essen warmly invited the student reps to attend the BAT meetings and submit suggestions/feedback. All ideas are welcome!

Mr. Spangenberg, in answer to President Williams' question, reviewed some of the items that will be watched next year when preparing for the 2025-2026 fiscal budget, e.g. return of overload, high impact inclusion, restoration of fund balance, etc.

A five-minute break was taken at 8:35 p.m.

Preview of 2024 Legislative Session

Director Sara Betnel, School Board Legislative Representative

Director Betnel provided a verbal preview of the upcoming 2024 Legislative Session, that would begin on January 8. It will be the second year of the biennium budget, so it will be a supplemental budget year. It will be a short 60-day session, ending in early March. Any bills that didn't pass last year can be resubmitted at the place they left off last year; new bills may also be introduced.

During the presentation, Director Betnel reported on the 50 bills that she would be tracking for the upcoming legislative session. She also shared opportunities for advocacy with her fellow board members and student reps, specifically through the "2024 Legislative Session Central" shared GoogleDoc.

Additionally, Director Cohen shared information from the School Funding Coalition’s legislative priorities for 2024 as presented during a December 13 lunch and learning session.

Director Betnel reminded the Board that recently revised Policy 1230 speaks to the appointment of a Legislative Representative after the conclusion of the upcoming Legislative Session. She offered to assist in transitioning this role to another board member.

Board Requested Discussion and Future Topics

Director Jernigan offered her support to the United Native Education Alliance representatives who were in attendance earlier in the meeting. In particular, she lifted up Shorewood student, Cameryn Hubbard, who had emailed the entire Board with a draft of the resolution/proclamation around Missing and Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP) Awareness Day on May 5. She suggested that the School Board Policy Committee meet on January 12 to initially discuss this document and then bring it forward for a broader discussion by the full board at one of the already scheduled board meetings in January. Also discussed was the possibility of preparing a similar type proclamation for the recognition of Indigenous Peoples Day on October 11 and also including a land acknowledgement with the pledge during morning announcements.

Action Items

None

Reports and Communications – Board Members and Superintendent

The student reps shared recent and upcoming activities at both Shorecrest and Shorewood High Schools. Board members and Superintendent Reyes also shared and spoke about who might be attending the upcoming Legislative Conference at the end of January.

Executive Session

None

Adjournment: 9:46 p.m.

Emily Williams, School Board President

Attest: February 13, 2024

Dr. Susana Reyes, Secretary
Shoreline Board of Directors

All documents referenced in the minutes may be viewed in the Superintendent’s Office during normal business hours.