



**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, September 8, 2022 06:00 PM

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Board met in regular session on Thursday, September 8, 2022 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, McElroy, and Strozier were present. Director Leon arrived at 6:02pm.

**5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as presented.

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

**6.1 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 NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

**6.1.b LABOR DAY**

**6.1.c CONSTITUTION & CITIZENSHIP DAY**

**7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**7.1 NEW SCHOOL YEAR UPDATE**

Superintendent Garcia thanked staff, community, and board members for their help for the first day of school kick-off and gave updates.

## 8. STAFF REPORT TO THE BOARD

### 8.1 K-5 ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA) ADOPTION UPDATE

K-12 Director of Curriculum & Instruction Larsen gave an update on the K-5 English Language Arts adoption process.

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

### *Spoken Public Comments:*

- o Kristina Walker, Tacoma City Council Member and Vice Chair of the Pierce Transit Board, addressed the Board regarding the Free Youth Transit Pass.

### *Written Public Comments:*

- o There were no written public comments.

## 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 yeas.

### 10.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

#### 10.1.a APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 25, 2022 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

### 10.2 APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

### 10.3 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT)

### 10.4 OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REQUESTS

#### 10.4.a APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR FOSS HIGH SCHOOL TO LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, OCTOBER 15-17, 2022

#### 10.4.b APPROVAL OF TRAVEL REQUEST FOR FOSS HIGH SCHOOL TO ST. PETE BEACH, FLORIDA, DECEMBER 7-10, 2022

### 10.5 INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL REQUESTS

### 10.6 FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

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

### 10.8 OTHER

## 11. POLICY MATTERS

### 11.1 SECOND READING OF REVISED POLICY 6213 - TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

Director Keating moved that the Board of Directors review and adopt the proposed revised Policy 6213. Director Strozier seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

## 12. FINANCIAL REPORT

The district's next quarterly financial report is planned for November 10, 2022. Monthly financial statements can be found on the district website at <https://www.tacomaschools.org/departments/businessandfinance>.

## 13. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

### 13.1 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT NO. TSD-22-199 BETWEEN UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023

Director McElroy moved that the Board of Directors approve Contract No. TSD-22-199 between the University of Washington and Tacoma Public Schools from September 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Director Strozier seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

### 13.2 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT NO. TSD-22-195 BETWEEN EASTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023

Director Keating moved that the Board of Directors approve Contract No. TSD-22-195 between Eastern Washington University and Tacoma Public Schools from September 8, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Director Strozier seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

### 13.3 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT NO. TSD-20-017 BETWEEN GRADUATION ALLIANCE AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

Director Strozier moved that the Board of Directors approve Contract No. TSD-20-017 (Amendment #1) between Graduation Alliance and Tacoma Public Schools for the 2022-2023 school year. Director Leon seconded the motion. A voice vote was called,

and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

**13.4 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT NO. TSD-22-212 BETWEEN OLYMPIC SPORT AND SPINE AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2022-JULY 31, 2025**

Director Keating moved that the Board of Directors approve Contract No. TSD-22-212 between Olympic Sport and Spine and Tacoma Public Schools from September 1, 2022 - July 31, 2025, for an estimated cost of \$222,600 per year. Director Strozier seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

**14. BUSINESS MATTERS**

**14.1 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT NO. TSD-22-193 BETWEEN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2022 - AUGUST 31, 2023**

Director McElroy moved that the Board of Directors approve Contract No. TSD-22-193 between Catholic Community Services and Tacoma Public Schools from September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2023, in the amount of \$216,000. Director Keating seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

**14.2 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT NO. TSD-22-192 BETWEEN MULTICARE HEALTH SYSTEM (YES) TACOMA AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2022 - AUGUST 31, 2025**

Director Keating moved that the Board of Directors approve Contract No. TSD-22-192 between MultiCare Health System Youth Engagement Services Tacoma and Tacoma Public Schools from September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2025, for an estimated cost of \$600,000. Director Strozier seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 4 yeas by Directors Bonbright, Keating, McElroy, and Strozier. There was 1 abstention by Director Leon as he partially works with MultiCare.

**14.3 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT NO. (TSD-22-215) BETWEEN THE TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT AND TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Director Strozier moved that the Board of Directors approve the renewal contract TSD-22-215 between Tacoma Police Department and Tacoma Public Schools from September 1, 2022 - August 31, 2023, for a total contract value not to exceed \$500,000. Director Keating seconded the motion. A voice vote was called, and the chair declared the motion carried with a vote of 5 yeas.

**15. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

**16. BOARD COMMENTS/REPORTS**

- o Director McElroy shared that she recently met with the AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) Program staff to learn more about the program. On October 12th, they will be offering Financial Education lessons to all grade levels, pre-K through high school. - ♦ - She also shared that she had fun visiting schools and interacting with students on the first day of school. - ♦ - She also attended the CAB Staff Back-to-School Rally which was held on Sept. 7th.
- o Director Strozier shared that he helped welcome students on the first day at Truman Middle School, which had a great opening assembly, and at Lincoln High School and their drumline.
- o Director Leon referenced the Civic Observance observed earlier for National Hispanic Heritage Month. He reminded us that LatinX culture was here before our country was founded and all the contributions of the different groups. - ♦ - He also commented on the Tacoma Flex program that is being offered this year. This program allows high school students to have the choice to take their first hour course asynchronously, which can allow them to sleep in later in the mornings. He asked high school families to learn about the program and see if it's right for their family. More information can be found on the website. - ♦ - He also attended the CAB Staff Back-to-School Rally which was held on Sept. 7th.
- o Director Keating shared that she was able to tour the new Skyline and Downing schools. She also attended Bryant's open house (in the old Skyline) building. It was exciting to see staff getting settled into their new spaces. - ♦ - She commented on how exceptional the Boys & Girls Club incorporation into the new Downing building was done. - ♦ - She helped welcome students at Skyline Elementary School on the first day of school. - ♦ - She shared about the Senior Sunrise that occurred early on the first day of school. - ♦ - She asked a question about the iReady curriculum as part of the ELA program, which Superintendent Garcia answered.
- o Director Bonbright shared that she helped welcome students on the first day of school at Downing Elementary. She also attended Office Depot's "Start Proud" program at McCarver Elementary School. This award was given to only 18 schools across the country. As part of it, every student was given a new backpack filled with school supplies. Second grade Teacher Katie Nalty also received an "All-Star Teacher" award from them. - ♦ - She participated in the first day of school "Bell Ringing" ceremony with Superintendent Garcia - ♦ - She thanked the voters for the bond funding that allowed the district to build the new Skyline and Downing schools, and she thanked the Planning & Construction department for their work in the process.

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

September 22, 2022  
6:00PM - Business Meeting

October 13, 2022

6:00PM - Business Meeting

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

President Bonbright adjourned the meeting at 6:57PM.