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...BoardNotes

During its regular meeting on Dec 4, 2018, the Everett Public Schools Board of Directors did the following:

HELD A MOMENT OF SILENCE

The board honored the loss of Cascade choir teacher Laurie Cappello and the passing of Former President George H.W. Bush with a moment of silence.

ELECTED BOARD OFFICERS

The board of directors selected board officers. The new roles are:

- President: Carol Andrews
- Vice-president: Caroline Mason
- Legislative representative: Traci Mitchell
- Parliamentarian: Jamyang Dorjee Nhangkar

RECOGNIZED A SCHOOL

Garfield Elementary School was recognized for earning a School of Distinction award for the fourth year in a row.

HEARD PUBLIC COMMENT

There were two public comments about the naming of Elementary 18, both of which recommended Emma Yule Elementary. Another public comment was about the district student cell phone policy and how the presence of cell phones inhibits student learning.

SHARED COMMENTS

Directors thanked Caroline Mason for the great work she has done this year as board president and several expressed gratefulness to Dr. Stewart, acknowledging her pending retirement.

HEARD THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The school board heard district highlights, good news, and construction updates in the [Superintendent's Report](#).

HEARD A STRATEGIC PROGRESS REPORT

The board heard a [presentation](#) on the status of class of 2019 and the work that is being done to make sure students can graduate. Part of the report showed the annual dropout rate falling from 240 to 29 which is a significant factor in graduating on time. There is an 86.6 percent on-time graduation rate for students with disabilities and 91.7 percent for English Learners.

NAMED THE NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The board heard a [presentation](#) about the process of nominating names for the new elementary and discussed options. They decided to name the new school Tambark Creek Elementary School.

Nondiscrimination statement

The district shall provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of the academic and activities program without regard to race, color, national origin, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, veteran or military status, the presence of any physical, sensory or mental disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a student with a disability.

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