

BoardNotes

During its regular meeting on December 8, 2020, the Everett Public Schools Board of Directors did the following:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting opened at 5 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Director Nicholls provided a land acknowledgement.

ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT

Director Mason was nominated and unanimously voted as board president for a one-year term.

ELECTION OF BOARD VICE PRESIDENT

Director LeSesne was nominated and unanimously voted as board vice-president for a one-year term.

ELECTION OF LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE

Director Nicholls was nominated and unanimously voted as legislative representative for a two-year term.

ELECTION OF BOARD PARLIAMENTARIAN

Director Mitchell was nominated and unanimously voted as board parliamentarian for a one-year term.

RECOGNITION

The board recognized, along with the i-Ready mascot Plory, the following Everett Public Schools elementary school students who have made the most progress in i-Ready this fall at each school that uses the program. Honorees are: Jasper Gates, Emerson; Ian Rodriguea-Brenner, Penny Creek; Terri'Oanna Ruby-Jewel Brown, Madison; Matthew Bredikhim, Jefferson; Skyler Ro, Monroe; Marlaine Yap, Silver Lake; Andrea Harmon, Garfield; Ronaldo Ceja Tolosa, Hawthorne; Nicanor Staley Avila, Jackson ES; Vincent Cabrera, Lowell; Juniper Rodgers, View Ridge; Lyndsay Garcia Hernandez, Whittier; Amirhossein Nasirzonouzi, Evergreen; Natali Lopez, Port Gardner; Gabriel Mora, Cedar Wood; Caleb Claytor, Forest View; Cruz and Sebastian Krstich, Mill Creek; Arpita Saraiya, Silver Firs; Zane Russell-Peters, Woodside; and Zach Schattner, Tambark Creek.

HEARD THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The school board heard a district update from Dr. Saltzman on the good work being done through instructional reviews and the great i-Ready progress. He wished everyone a happy holiday season and that everyone be safe.

SHARED BOARD COMMENTS

Student Representative Pilch-Bisson shared there was excitement for Dr. Saltzman's story time even with high school students and shared a few more holiday activities occurring at Jackson High. Student Representative Hussein met last week with Wesco ASB presidents and discussed how to create joy in these times. Director Nicholls shared it was exciting to see the students tonight and looking forward to being the legislative representative for the board. Director Berg also acknowledged the appeal of story time with Saltzman for all ages. She shared appreciation for school counselors and the work they do which is of utmost importance. Director Mitchell shared the WSSDA call today was about student voice and talked about ways student representatives can get involved at the state level. Director Mason shared about the IR she was part of as well as appreciation for the work people are doing. Director LeSesne shared her thankfulness about being part of a strong board, for the student voice, for being elected as vice-president, and for the efforts people are putting forth to meet the educational and emotional needs of our students.

HEARD PUBLIC COMMENT

There was one public comment about legislative priorities.

HEARD THE CLASS OF 2021 PROGRESS TO GRADUATION

The board of directors was provided [a presentation](#) on the class of 2021 with specific information about systems to support each student to fulfill their graduation requirements and meet their postsecondary

goals. This is the first graduating class with a 24-credit graduation requirement. Collectively and separately, high schools engage students in preparation for high school graduation and postsecondary options.

HEARD THE SCHOOL REOPENING STATUS

The board of directors heard [a presentation](#) on remote learning, health and safety updates and communication related to remote learning and return to the classroom. Several teachers shared their strategies and tools used during remote learning.

HEARD THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM UPDATE

The board of directors was provided [a presentation](#) overviewing the School Resource Officer (SRO) program in the Everett Public Schools, particularly incorporating recent community feedback from the November 23 "Let's Connect" community forum.

APPROVAL OF LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR 2021

The board of directors was [presented](#) with and asked to approve legislative priorities which were provided in draft form at the November 24 board meeting. It was approved with a few noted edits.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Video available at:

Vimeo:

<https://vimeo.com/488975420>

YouTube:

<https://youtu.be/sOUapEX2uAM>

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