

BoardNotes

During its regular meeting on January 12, 2021, the Everett Public Schools Board of Directors did the following:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting opened at 5 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Director LeSesne provided a land acknowledgment.

RECOGNITION

There was no recognition this evening.

HEARD THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The school board heard a district update from Dr. Saltzman which included wishing everyone a happy and healthy new year. He noted on Monday we are honoring the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. and added he was saddened by the events that occurred last week at the capitol. He also expressed his commitment, along with other superintendents and leaders across Washington, for speeding up the process and getting vaccinations available for all educators. Finally, he wanted to publicly thank School Nurse Supervisor, Kari Johnson for her tireless efforts, dedication and all the work she has done regarding vaccinations.

SHARED BOARD COMMENTS

Director Mitchell shared her family's experience with getting COVID from a visiting family member and wanted to remind everyone to stay diligent with social distancing, mask-wearing, etc. She is very hopeful about this vaccine and excited to see students beginning to return to the classroom. **Director LeSesne** mentioned creating a video for Madison Elementary Principal Jessica Corneille for their Martin Luther King, Jr. assembly and how appropriate the message is for the time we are in now. **Director Berg** thanked President Mason for the congratulations on being sworn-in to the House of Representative for the 44th District and reiterated her commitment and privilege of being a school board director as well. She shared her appreciation for all the schools honoring MLK Day differently and creatively this year as we continue to learn remotely. **Student Representative Hussein** is excited about the Zoom video Everett High School is creating to honor Dr. King. **Student Representative Pilch-Bisson** is thankful she is in a school district empathetic and shared how the new schedule, which includes an asynchronous day, may be beneficial to many students. **Director Nicholls** welcomed everyone back and hoped they had a restful break. He also hopes with time we all can grow together with unity and he reminded there is a lot of good happening. **Director Mason** is excited and looking forward to working together getting students back into the buildings and moving our district forward. She greatly appreciates the different perspectives. **All directors and student representatives** shared their thoughts and concerns about the events that occurred last week in the Nation's Capitol.

HEARD PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

HEARD THE MATH PERFORMANCE REPORT

The board of directors was provided [a presentation](#) reviewing data trends and historical data to frame the actions the district is implementing in the 2020-21 school year. The presentation included successes and challenges in Everett Public Schools math instruction, the pedagogical shifts in instructional practices and evidence of student learning and achievement from the field in virtual learning environments across the system.

HEARD THE FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL UPDATE

The board of directors heard [a presentation](#) on the first-quarter financials.

HEARD THE UPDATE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING REFRESH PROCESS

The board of directors was provided [a presentation](#) on an update on the strategic planning refresh process, specifically the preliminary student outcomes and strategic themes which were identified in the first of three

phases in the process. Highlights of the process to date and a summary of the data gathered were provided, as well as a review of the next steps in the process.

FIRST READING OF POLICY 2005; SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS

The board heard an update on [Policy 2005](#). This new policy is required by statute and the Washington School Improvement Framework (WSIF) goal in [Policy 2004](#), Accountability Goals, is part of the statute that refers to School Improvement Plans. Moved to the second reading.

REVIEWED POLICY UPDATES

The board heard the first reading of revisions on the following policies: [Policy 3131](#), Intradistrict Transfer and School Attendance Area Changes, [Policy 3140](#), Release of Resident Students, and [Policy 3141](#), Nonresident students.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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<https://vimeo.com/500087352>

YouTube:

https://youtu.be/OQ_vGYLUwAs

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