

# BoardNotes

During its regular meeting on August 23, 2022, the Everett Public Schools Board of Directors did the following:

The meeting opened at 5 p.m.

## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Director Mason provided a land acknowledgment.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## RECOGNITION

Everett Public Schools' 2022-23 new administrators were introduced by their supervisors and welcomed to the district.

## HEARD THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The school board heard a [district update](#) from Dr. Saltzman. The update included a summary of summer professional development, trainings and events. There was a highlight of summer graduation and Stuff the Bus for Kids.

## SHARED BOARD COMMENTS

Director Hirman shared the hope that everyone rested over the summer. She added how great the board retreat was and hearing the student voice was highly valued. She was impressed seeing the device handout at Jackson High this week, and is excited about this upcoming year. Director Mason attended the grand re-opening of the new Everett Memorial Stadium track and field and thanked everyone involved. She appreciated the students at the board retreat and their openness to share their experiences. She always immensely enjoys summer graduation and hearing the student stories to get to graduation. Director Mitchell shared her appreciation for the change in Director school assignment. This year they will be assigned to schools throughout the district, not just ones their children went to or are in their neighborhood. She shared her appreciation for the Foundation and staff participating in Stuff the Bus. Director LeSesne also found the retreat, summer graduation and new hire orientation to be educational, wonderful and inspiring.

## HEARD PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments tonight.

## ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 1282, OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23

The board of directors was provided a [presentation](#) with an overview of each fund and identifying adjustments made since the first reading. The first reading and presentation of the contents of the budgets for the district's five major funds including General, Associated Student Body, Debt Service, Capital Projects and Transportation Vehicle occurred at the June 28, 2022, regular board meeting. The board was asked to approve [Resolution 1282](#) to indicate formal approval of the 2022-23 operating budget. It was opened for public comment, and there were no public comments. The resolution was unanimously approved.

## FIRST READING AND ADOPTION OF POLICY 3122, ATTENDANCE

The board of directors heard proposed revisions to [Policy 3122](#), Attendance as a first reading and adoption. Proposed revisions are to comply with HB 1834 which relates to student excused absences for mental health reasons and amends RCW 28A.300.046, "Student absence from school"—Rules—Collection of attendance and discipline data. HB 1834 states the rules defining student absence must categorize an absence for a mental health reason as an excused absence. This policy was unanimously approved.

## FIRST READING OF POLICY 2213, TRANSITIONAL BILINGUAL INSTRUCTION

The board of directors heard proposed revisions to [Policy 2213](#), Transitional Bilingual Instruction as a first reading. Proposed revisions to Policy 2213, Transitional Bilingual Instruction Program, are provided for first reading with second reading and adoption to be recommended at a future board meeting. Proposed revisions are to comply with [HB 1153](#) which relates to language access in Washington's public schools. HB

1153 envisions family-centered solutions with specially designated funding. Bill language stipulates a number of policy changes for districts and schools, as well as increased professional training and credentialing for interpreters and translators in education settings.

#### **FIRST READING OF POLICY 4218, LANGUAGE ACCESS PLAN**

The board of directors heard proposed revisions to [Policy 4218](#), Language Access Plan as a first reading. Proposed revisions are provided for first reading with second reading and adoption to be recommended at a future board meeting. Revisions are to comply with [HB 1153](#) which relates to language access in Washington's public schools. HB 1153 envisions family-centered solutions with specially designated funding. Bill language stipulates a number of policy changes for districts and schools, as well as increased professional training and credentialing for interpreters and translators in education settings. The revisions include changing the title from "Language Access Plan" to "Language Access."

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

The board meeting video from 8/23/2022 has been uploaded and is available on Vimeo and YouTube.

Vimeo:

<https://vimeo.com/742665820>

YouTube:

<https://youtu.be/NhJlyzLJQHA>

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