

BoardNotes

During its regular meeting on December 13, 2022, the Everett Public Schools Board of Directors did the following:

The meeting opened at 5 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Director Mitchell provided a land acknowledgment.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD ELECTIONS

The board nominated, voted and elected officers for the 2023 calendar year. Director Pam LeSesne was nominated and unanimously voted to be President for another year. For 2023, Vice President will be Director Traci Mitchell, Legislative Representative will be Director Jen Hirman and Parliamentarian will be Director Andrew Nicholls.

HEARD THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The school board heard a [district update](#) from Dr. Saltzman.

SHARED BOARD COMMENTS

Student Representative Gilbertson shared medical professionals came to Everett High and put on a good presentation about medical careers. She was able to go on a field trip to the PUD with her Engineering class where they talked about the trades. Director Hirman shared about the WSSDA conference in November and how beneficial it was for her as a new board member. Everett staff gave a great presentation. She shared about the Instructional Reviews (IRs) she attended and how the strategic plan comes to life. The family events and performances this month in our schools have been great. Director Mason shared that even as a veteran board member she learned a lot at the WSSDA conference. She attended the Everett High winter wonderland event, other family school events and the CRC lunch. Director Nicholls recognized the teachers and staff that responded to the lockdown at Everett High and tomorrow will be doing a legislative tour. Director Mitchell appreciated the music concert at Heatherwood and their skills, and the food drives schools are participating in. Director LeSesne attended the Veterans Day presentation at Eisenhower and really appreciated it. She also attended an AP Seminar at Cascade High and was very impressed. She shared a heartfelt message about the work of the board this year and thanked the superb work of the Everett Public School's staff and their dedication in support of student learning. Have a bright, cheerful and relaxing holiday season.

HEARD THE FOURTH QUARTER FINANCIAL UPDATE

The board was presented [an update](#) on the monthly budget status reports for each fund including the most current fiscal activity by summary accounts in state form F-198. The presentation included detailed information on general fund (operating fund) year-to-date expenditure and revenue activity, a projected ending fund balance, a cash at County report and an investment summary.

HEARD THE FISCAL OUTLOOK 2022-26

The board of directors was provided [an update](#) on the 2023-24 outlook and a year-to-date use of federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding. In addition, the budgeted general fund 4-year projection has been updated based upon an updated beginning fund balance and revised economic outlook.

APPROVAL OF LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES 2023

Each year the board of directors prepares a set of legislative priorities primarily for use with legislators. The board reviewed a draft set of 2023 priorities at the November meeting. Adjustments have been made and the [revised 2023 priorities](#) were presented for approval. The 2023 Legislative Priorities were approved as written.

HEARD THE PROPOSAL OF THE SCHOOL CALENDAR 2023-24

The board was given a [presentation](#) on how the draft calendar was created, then presented a [draft of the 2023-24 school calendar](#) which is in agreement between Everett Public Schools and Everett Education Association (EEA). The board discussed the proposal and had a strong emphasis on making sure there is no extra burden for working parents. The board moved to have the calendar held until January in order to see other options or iterations.

HEARD FIRST READING OF REVISIONS TO POLICY 1230 LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE

The board of directors heard proposed revisions to [Policy 1230](#), Legislative Representative. In 2019, WSSDA's membership voted to combine its Legislative Assembly and Delegate Assembly into one General Assembly. Proposed revisions to this policy update the name "Legislative Assembly" to "General Assembly." Second reading and adoption are recommended at a future meeting.

HEARD FIRST READING OF REVISIONS TO POLICY 1610, CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The board of directors heard proposed revisions to [Policy 1610](#), Conflict of Interest, with second reading and adoption to be recommended at a future board meeting. Proposed revisions are to reflect statutory language, including [SB 6326](#)—Municipal Conflicts of Interest—Various Provisions (2020). This legislation amended threshold amounts regarding certain exceptions to the rule on conflicts of interest. Language has also been added regarding the district employing the spouse or domestic partner of a director or district officer as a substitute teacher.

HEARD PROPOSED NEW POLICY 3117, STUDENTS IN OR RELEASED FROM AN INSTITUTIONAL EDUCATION FACILITY

The board of directors heard Proposed new [Policy 3117](#), Students in or Released from an Institutional Education Facility, is provided for first reading with second reading and adoption to be recommended at a future board meeting. This proposed new policy was created by WSSDA to comply with [HB 1295](#)—Institutional Education—Various Provisions. The legislature finds that students in Washington's secure facilities have been unable to access the education and supports they need to make life-changing academic progress. As a result, these students have experienced dismal graduation and recidivism rates, and have lost invaluable opportunities for hope and transformation. School districts must provide supportive actions for these students, including access to world language proficiency tests, American Sign Language (ASL) proficiency tests, and general education development (GED) tests.

HEARD FIRST READING OF REVISIONS TO POLICY 3241, NON-DISTRICT PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION

Proposed revisions to [Policy 3241](#), Non-District Provided Transportation, are provided for first reading with second reading and adoption to be recommended at a future board meeting. Proposed revisions reflect the prohibition of the use of ridesharing services does not include transportation services that directly contract with the district.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

The regular board meeting video from 12/13/2022 has been uploaded and is available on Vimeo and YouTube.

- Vimeo: <https://vimeo.com/781143029>
- YouTube: <https://youtu.be/p4H8cZARAus>

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