

# BoardNotes

During its regular meeting on March 14, 2023, the Everett Public Schools Board of Directors did the following:

The meeting opened at 5 p.m.

## LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Director Mason provided a land acknowledgment.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## RECOGNITION

The Board took time to recognize the amazing partnership the district has with the Everett Public PTSA Council and individual school PTAs. Everett Public Schools and the Everett Public Schools PTSA Council are strategic partners in spirit and fact. Not only does the council's strategic plan support district work, but its leadership advocates for a system-wide approach of creative collaboration to support student learning.

## HEARD THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The school board heard a [district update](#) from Dr. Saltzman including the Everett High girls basketball team going to state, multicultural and STEAM nights, support staff week and more!

## SHARED BOARD COMMENTS

Director Mitchell shared her appreciation to the PTA as she started her school leadership in the PTA. She was also part of the Legislative Day in Olympia with other directors. She loved seeing the technology at work during her visit to Emerson. Director Hirman shared her appreciation for the Nick of Time event, the Foundation event and the multicultural nights. She mentioned the district and board are still advocating for funding from the legislature and also gave an overview of their experience on the Day at the Hill along with bill updates. Director Nicholls shared about the spring event at Emerson and reminded the public next year's calendar is on the consent agenda. Director Mason thanked Director Hirman for the great legislative update. She shared about several wonderful events including the STEAM night, the Foundation event and Everett High girls basketball games. She also participated in the high school mock interviews and appreciated seeing how student's perceive their abilities to meet their aspirations. Student Representative Gilbertson said going to Olympia was a great opportunity to learn but also to share their perspectives. She also enjoyed the multicultural night. Director LeSesne shared the importance of their time in Olympia, about reading in person at Silver Lake, attending the Empowered to Lead Summit and a multicultural night among others. She also appreciated the Mayor's address to the city and what a great partnership we have with the city.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

There was one public comment from an employee who was representing the maintenance department ensuring the board understands the importance of maintaining appropriate numbers of maintenance staff. With the budget issue there will need to be prioritization of projects and it will affect our schools.

## HEARD THE ENROLLMENT OUTLOOK FOR 2023-2032

The board heard a [presentation](#) on how the district's October 1, 2022 enrollment compares to other local school districts, how enrollment projections are developed and used by district staff, and a review of enrollment projections for 1-year, 6-years and 10-years out. Enrollment

projections are extremely important in making predictions about future general fund revenues, facility needs, technology allocations and program decisions.

### **HEARD A SPOTLIGHT PRESENTATION ON SPECIAL SERVICES**

The board was presented a [program overview](#) of special services that included key values and beliefs, enrollment information, program models, celebrations and opportunities.

### **HEARD ABOUT A COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP TO SUPPORT EARLY LEARNING IN EVERETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

The board was presented [information](#) about a new community partnership. The Madison Elementary School Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) staff asked for support in providing some type of water safety program for their ECEAP families. Out of this effort came a partnership with The Everett Family YMCA, Everett Public Schools Foundation (EPSF), Seattle Children's Hospital – North Clinic, and Puget Sound Taxpayers Accountability Account (PSTAA) grant program. Funding by EPSF and the Early Learning Partner portion of the PSTAA grant will allow all Madison ECEAP families access to eight weeks of free swim lessons at the YMCA. During those lessons, parents and guardians can attend the Water Safety Ambassador Training. In May, the Seattle Children's Hospital - North Clinic will give all ECEAP families life jackets for their preschoolers at a spring family event.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

The regular board meeting video from 3/14/2023 has been uploaded and is available on Vimeo and YouTube.

Vimeo: <https://vimeo.com/808334069>

YouTube: <https://youtu.be/hg97APltoao>

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