

BoardNotes for staff



Traci Mitchell



Jen Hirman



Charles Adkins



Caroline Mason



Roman Rewolinski



Alice Gilbertson



Will Kink

Student representatives



MEETING OPENING

During its regular meeting on June 11, 2024, the Everett Public Schools Board of Directors did the following:

The meeting opened at 4:30 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Alice Gilbertson provided a land acknowledgment.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



RECOGNITION – MAY CORE VALUE CHAMPIONS

The board recognized three Core Value Champions for May, and the theme was Collaboration. The following students were recognized: Penny Creek Elementary – Piper Palma, Silver Lake Elementary – Landon Soriano, Woodside Elementary – Hala Elsayad.



RECOGNITION – RETIRING STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SCHOOL BOARD



The school board established two student representatives to be appointed to non-voting advisory roles so that student views may be voiced, and students may listen to and evaluate the opinions of others. One position is being vacated this spring by Alice Gilbertson, a graduating senior from Everett High School. The board of directors recognized Alice's service to the board and the district as a student representative.

Welcome, **Vanessa Covarrubias**, a sophomore at Sequoia High School for appointment as a student representative to the Everett Public Schools Board of Directors through June 2026, filling the slot vacated by Alice Gilbertson.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The school board heard the [district update](#) including assessment season, CTE Career-CON, retirement event, Juneteenth and more.

BOARD AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS

Director Hirman thanked the Everett PTSA Council for the great awards event a few weeks ago, and for recognizing people involved in the work. She congratulated those who are retiring and shared how amazing the Everett High Library dedication for Larry O'Donnell was. Director Atkins also attended both PTSA council awards and retirement events and enjoyed the celebrations. Director Mason attended the athletic awards and remarked on the impressive level of talent within our district. She also attended the STEAM night at Silver Firs and said it was amazing. She loved the mock interviews at Everett High. She gave an update on the City Advisory Committee for the AquaSox baseball team stadium study. The committee is currently evaluating two potential sites: one in downtown Everett and one at Funko Field. This committee is focused on fiscal matters and does not make decisions. Director Rewolinski enjoyed attending a multicultural night and the PTSA council awards event. Student Representative Gilbertson shared about the end-of-year events at Everett High. Student Representative Kink shared that Jackson High is focused on seniors right now and the great events they have to acknowledge the seniors. Director Mitchell joined in the high school senior mock interviews and enjoyed hearing about the students' future plans. She noted that, while the retirements this year mean a significant loss of institutional knowledge, she is happy for those retiring. Additionally, she participated in the middle school art show.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Director Hirman shared two topics: Student Representative participation in board meetings has more than doubled since 2019. Everett Public Schools was an early adopter of student representatives. The second topic was the general assembly where each district gets a vote to determine WSSDA platforms this year. September 20-21, 2024 is the general assembly.

AGENDA

RECRUITMENT, RETENTION AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REPORT

The board was provided an [annual report](#) on the recruitment and retention of both the certificated and classified staff. The board heard recruitment efforts and preparations for future hiring. An

important aspect of the district's strategic plan is to achieve a diverse workforce that more closely reflects the backgrounds of students and families. The district is committed to a policy of equal opportunity for all applicants and employees. Over the years significant efforts and strategies have been implemented to increase the diversity of the applicant and the workforce.

POLICY 3405, STUDENT WELLNESS

The board of directors heard a proposed revision to [Policy 3405](#), Student Wellness, with a second reading and adoption at a future meeting. Proposed revisions are to comply with [SB 5257](#) Public Schools—Daily Recess and [RCW28A.230.295](#), Daily recess. Starting with the 2024–25 school year, public schools must provide at least 30 minutes of daily recess within the school day for all students in grades kindergarten through grade five.

POLICY 6110, ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND COLLECTIONS

The board of directors heard a proposed revision to [Policy 6110](#), Accounts Receivable and Collections, with a second reading and adoption at a future meeting. This proposed new policy is from the district accounting department to provide effective oversight of receivables and collections. A written policy will assist accounting staff in the effective collection and management of all accounts receivable including writing off delinquent accounts, once all avenues of collection have been exhausted, in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

POLICY 6700, FOOD AND NUTRITION PROGRAM

The board of directors heard a proposed revision to [Policy 6700](#), Food and Nutrition Program, with a second reading and adoption at a future meeting. Proposed revisions add language regarding required federal nutrition programs such as Breakfast After the Bell and seated lunchtime. Revisions also include changing the title from “Food and Nutrition Program” to “Nutrition.”

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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