

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

Minutes

The meeting was held at the District Administration Building with remote access via Zoom. Notice was provided to community members wishing to access the meeting.

Present:

Eric Gattenby	President
John Berg	Vice President
Liz Sebren	via Zoom
Rebecca Diehl	Director
Jeff Daily	Director
Tim Winter	Superintendent
Jennifer Farmer	Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations
Dr. Andy Rogers	Executive Director of Special Services
Amy Miller	Communications and Public Information Officer
Robbie Bell	Recorder

CALL TO ORDER

President Gattenby called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm and provided information regarding the nature of the meeting. The in-person meeting was held in compliance with the safety requirements contained in the State of Washington's Miscellaneous Venues – COVID-19 Guidance.

Pledge of Allegiance: President Gattenby led the flag salute.

Establish Agenda: Superintendent Winter requested that Item 4.05 Donations to the South Kitsap School District be removed from the agenda. The Board approved.

MOTION: DIEHL moved to remove Board Discussion topic Resolution of Censure. The motion failed.

MOTION: BERG moved to limit discussion on Item 2.04 Board Budget Planning 2021-2022 to 10 minutes. The motion carried.

The agenda, as amended, was approved by general consent.

NIB Awards: The first Board Meeting of the month begins with a brief and inspiring presentation of "Caught Being a NIB" awards. A "NIB" award salutes those who truly "walk the talk" of our district Vision Statement, "Nurturing Growth, Inspiring Achievement, and Building Community". We honor and value those who exhibit a "whatever it takes" approach to their work with South Kitsap kids, colleagues, and families. Join us in thanking these "NIBS" for embracing our vision. A list of this month's NIB's can be found on the April 21, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda.

Staff and Student Recognition: The Board recognized with appreciation the retirement of 5 long-time SK staff members. They also recognized student Cadet Ensign Regina Obnial for winning the American Revolution Essay Contest and CTE Director Sara Hatfield for being named a member of Leadership Kitsap's 20 under 40! A copy of the presentations can be found on the April 21, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda.

Public Comment: None

PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS

Priority Plan Focus: Dr. Andy Rogers Executive Director of Special Services presented an overview of the summer school program planned for SK students and staff. A copy of the presentation can be found on the April 21, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda.

Thought Exchange Community Survey: Amy Miller Communications and Public Information Officer reviewed the results of the recent survey. A summary of the results can be found on the April 21, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda.

At 6:15 pm, the Board took a five-minute break.

Facility Long-Range Planning Advisory Committee Report: Committee member Lee Fenton updated the Board on the committee's mission statement and work to date.

MOTION: BERG moved that the Facility Long-Range Planning Advisory Committee be directed to examine the current capital levy projects, identify those that will be completed by the end of 2022, those that will not be addressed with current funding, and advise the Board on the specific capital improvement needs and priorities for the years 2023 through 2026. The motion failed.

Board Budget Planning 2021-2022: Each Director shared his/her budget priorities.

MOTION: DAILY moved to extend the discussion 10 additional minutes. The motion failed.

BOARD DISCUSSION/LINKAGE

Board Linkages:

- Director Sebren attended the WSSDA Regional Meeting; she would like the Board to work together to build trust with the community;
- Director Daily drove down the Oregon Coast, visited Catalyst Charter School, and rode along on a bus route;
- Director Berg has been attending the WSSDA weekly updates; he attended the WSSDA Regional Meeting; he has been corresponding with citizens; and he reported that no applications have been received from student representative.

Legislative Report: Director Diehl shared the Board's budget planning report with local legislators; the legislative session ends April 25. She reported that the filing period for School Board positions is May 17-21 and resources for candidates are available on the WSSDA website.

WIAA Report: None

Board Discussion:

The board discussed the following topics:

- Agenda planning for April 28 Work Session

MOTION: BERG moved to approve the meeting format he presented. The motion carried.

- Resolution of Censure

MOTION: BERG moved to adopt the Board Referral Form to establish two committees of two Directors each to pursue the matter and report back to the Board in executive session. The motion carried.

MOTION: DAILY moved to censure Director Daily for his behavior and remarks. The motion failed. Director Daily delivered a letter to President Gattenby regarding Director Berg.

- Application to Facility Committee

MOTION: GATTENBY moved to approve Mr. Mann's application to the Facility Committee. The motion failed.

- Addressing correspondence to the Board; Director Berg will draft a new policy on communication.
- Director Daily scheduling "office" hours to meet with constituents at the district office on the first and third Tuesday of the month.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Consent Agenda
- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 31, 2021
- Human Resources Employment Reports
- Affidavit of Vouchers and Payroll
- ~~Donations to the South Kitsap School District~~
- Authorization to Call for Bids Central Kitchen Backup Generator Project

The Consent Agenda was approved by general consent. Attachments to Consent Agenda items can be found on the April 21, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda.

NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

Resolution No. 1342 Emergency Waiver of High School Graduation Credits

MOTION: The motion to approve Resolution No. 1342 Emergency Waiver of High School Graduation Credits carried.

Coherent Governance Training

MOTION: DIEHL moved to approve the contract with the Aspen Group to provide professional development to the Board. The motion carried.

Open Public Bargaining

MOTION: BERG moved to cancel the public hearing set for May 5, 2021 and to postpone the entire matter indefinitely. The motion carried.

BOARD POLICY REVIEW

Review Operational Expectation 7: Budget Planning

MOTION: BERG moved to increase the fund balance to 8% (Item #7). The motion failed.

The Board asked Superintendent Winter to report on the advantages and disadvantages of raising the fund balance.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Winter updated the Board on the following topics:

- OSPI is requiring an Academic and Student Well-being Recovery Plan by June 1. The plan will be submitted to the board for approval on May 19;
- State assessments will not be conducted this spring, they have been moved to the fall;
- The Audit Exit Conference is scheduled for April 27 at 12:30 pm;
- The return to school plan will be shared at the May 5th meeting;
- SKHS planning graduation on June 19, more details will be known next week;
- He will provide an update on the pool at the May 5th meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Eric Gattenby, President

Tim Winter, Superintendent