

Board Mtg.

BURLINGTON-EDISON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 100

Dec. 9, 2013

The Board of Directors of Burlington-Edison School District No. 100 met on December 9, 2013 in the Board Room of the Administration Office at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: President, Roger Howard; Vice-President, Rich Wesen; Members, David Lowell, Bill Wallace, and Troy Wright

Staff Members Present: Laurel Browning, Superintendent; Dr. Jeff Drayer, Assistant Superintendent; K.C. Knudson, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning; Jeff Brown, Special Education Director; Joe Stewart, Director of Finance and Technology and Vicki Kelley, Deputy Board Secretary

President Howard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

This month the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Superintendent Browning.

PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE

President Howard opened the floor to any members of the audience who wished to address the Board. There were none.

AUDIENCE
PARTICIPATION

Mr. Wesen moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 25, 2013. Mr. Wallace seconded; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF
MINUTES

Mr. Wallace moved to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted; Mr. Wesen seconded, and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF
CONSENT
CALENDAR

Items approved on the consent calendar are as follows:

Approval was granted for payment of warrants subject to review by the Board member designated by the Board President at the end of month. Items covered are the December 2013: General Fund Warrant Nos. 321193 through 321333; 321358 through 321359; and 321362 through 321577; Capital Projects Fund Warrant Nos. 321361 through 321361; and Associated Student Body Fund Warrant Nos. 321334 through 321357; 321360 through 321360; and 321578 through 321613.

APPROVAL OF
WARRANTS

The attached appointments, resignations, and leaves of absence were approved/accepted.

PERSONNEL

The Board accepted the following donation:

ACCEPTANCE OF
DONATION

- The donation of iPads, iPad cases, and Apple TV converters valued at \$17,000 from the Bay View PTA to Bay View Elementary students and teachers. The donation will be used to support student learning.

Mr. Wallace moved to adopt revised Board Policy No. 2151/Interscholastic Activities; revised Board Policy No. 5201/Drug-Free Schools, Community and Workplace; and revised Board Policy No. 5202/Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Mandated Drug and Alcohol Testing Program. Mr. Wesen seconded. Motion carried. These policies were revised to clarify that the term “controlled substances” includes marijuana (cannabis).

ADOPTION OF
REVISED BOARD
POLICIES 2151,
5201, & 5202

Mr. Wesen moved to adopt the following board policies that were updated to reflect legislative changes and recommendations:

ADOPTION OF
REVISED BOARD
POLICIES 3413,
3416, 3419, & 3420

3413 – Student Immunizations and Life Threatening Health Conditions

3416 – Medications at School

3419 – Self-Administration of Asthma and Anaphylaxis Medications

3420 – Anaphylaxis Prevention

Mr. Wallace seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Wesen moved to adopt revised Board Policy No. 3432/Emergencies. Mr. Wallace seconded; motion carried. This policy is updated per 2013 legislation. ESB 5620 updated the emergency drill requirements for schools beginning with school year 2013-2014.

ADOPTION OF
REVISED BOARD
POLICY 3432

Mr. Wesen moved to adopt Board Policy No. 6884/Naming Facilities and Recognition. Mr. Wallace seconded, and the motion carried. This policy is updated to clarify how staff members and coaches may be recognized with displaying temporary or permanent structures such as banners or signs.

ADOPTION OF
REVISED BOARD
POLICY 6884

“Under State law and District Policy 1220, the comments of individual Board members are solely the expression of their own personal opinion. They are not authorized actions or statements made on behalf of the District or Board unless expressly adopted by final action of the Board as a whole.”

BOARD MEMBER
STATEMENT

President Howard asked the Board if they had any comments. Mr. Wesen stated he is happy that basketball has started up and that there are band and choir concerts coming up.

BOARD MEMBER
COMMENTS

Mr. Wallace welcomed new board member, Troy Wright. He read parts of a letter from community member, Shirley Osborne, sent to Superintendent Browning, High School Principal, Todd Setterlund, and board members. She and her husband attended their grandson’s high school conference. They were able to meet with all seven of his teachers and were very impressed that education is in excellent hands with the quality of educators we have at B-ESD!

Mr. Howard thanked the Bay View PTA for their donation of iPads, iPad cases, and Apple TV converters valued at \$17,000 to Bay View Elementary. Mr. Howard said it is a huge donation and greatly appreciated.

New school board member, Troy Wright, and re-elected board member, Roger Howard, were officially seated. Director of Finance and Technology, Joe Stewart, administered the oaths.

OATH OF OFFICE

At approximately 7:13 p.m., Mr. Howard announced the Board would take a five-minute break. At approximately 7:20 p.m., the Board met again in regular session.

RECESS

President Howard announced it was time to elect officers for 2014. Mr. Wallace moved to nominate Roger Howard as Board President. Mr. Lowell seconded. Motion carried, and Mr. Howard was re-elected as Board President. Mr. Lowell moved to nominate Mr. Wesen as Board Vice-President. Mr. Wallace seconded. Motion carried, and Mr. Wesen was re-elected as Board Vice-President.

ELECTION OF
OFFICERS

Mr. Wallace moved to approve a lease agreement between the Burlington-Edison School District and the Skagit Valley Montessori School for the use of one-half of the portable located on the District Office site from January 1, 2014 to May 31, 2014. Mr. Wesen seconded, and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF
LEASE
AGREEMENT

Director of Finance and Technology, Joe Stewart, stated he will e-mail a copy of the Fiscal Report to board members as it was too early in the month to gather data to present at this meeting.

FISCAL REPORT

Following are comments that were made regarding running a two-year replacement technology capital projects levy in a special election to be held on February 11, 2014:

COMMENTS/
LEVY ELECTION

- This levy has its own new set of plans. The last levy was related to infrastructure. This levy is geared more for computers/devices in the classrooms.
- Monies from the levy will be used for infrastructure equipment, student devices, professional development and support.
- Student devices may be iPads, tablets, e-readers, mobile phones, or a combination of devices depending on use.
- We can use devices for state tests.
- There is a pretty significant energy savings by using less energy to bring our educational program up to speed. Many of our student and teacher devices were enlisted somewhere else before they came to B-ESD as we pulled in used hardware from other places and is not serving the purpose kids need for their programs. An analogy is the first levy helped us “build a highway.” The second levy will “put the cars on it” for our kids.
- It will be great to see putting hardware in the classroom for our district and getting our kids up to the same level in technology as our surrounding school districts. This is a great move.
- Since this is a replacement levy, taxes will be around the same amount per thousand as the last levy. The community will appreciate this. It is a win/win for the community and kids.
- We will be hitting the ground after the first of the year and working with joint districts to get the message out.

After discussion, Mr. Wallace moved to adopt Resolution No. 811 which authorizes the district to run a two-year replacement technology capital projects levy in a special election to be held on February 11, 2014. Mr. Wesen seconded, and the motion carried.

ADOPTION OF
LEVY
RESOLUTION NO.
811

The next school board of the year is scheduled for Monday, January 6, 2014, starting at 8:30 a.m. at Burlington-Edison High School.

NEXT BOARD
TOUR

A work session is scheduled for Monday, January 13, 2014 starting at 5:30 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

NEXT WORK
SESSION

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 27, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

NEXT REGULAR
MEETING

Superintendent Browning, board member, Bill Wallace, and Lucille Umbarger Elementary Principal, Bryan Jones, will be attending the WSSDA/WASA/WASBO Conference in Olympia on January 26-27, 2014.

WSSDA/WASA/
WASBO
CONFERENCE

Mr. Lowell will go over the warrants this month.

WARRANTS

At approximately 7:37 p.m., Mr. Howard announced the Board would recess into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing property issues, specifically Bayview Ridge. He stated that the public was excluded due to the sensitive nature of the matter, that he anticipated the Executive Session would be no more than five minutes long, and that the Board will take formal action upon return to public session.

RECESS
INTO
EXECUTIVE
SESSION

At approximately 7:50 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session, and Mr. Howard stated the following:

RECONVENED

“The Board would like to thank the County for their assistance in our effort to find a suitable school site in and around the proposed Bayview Ridge Development.

BOARD
PRESIDENT
STATEMENT

For many years we have been working with the County, the Port and the Bayview Ridge landowners for the purpose of identifying a suitable site for a future school that will be needed as a result of this development.

Progress was being made in the draft ordinance where the County provided zoning that allowed for schools within the development. However, that all changed with the recent discovery by the County of the WSDOT 2011 Airport and Compatible Land Use Guidebook. For safety reasons, it recommends prohibiting the placement of K-12 schools in all six compatibility zones of the Bayview Ridge planning area. For the School District, this eliminates siting of a school within the development and severely restricts our ability to find a suitable site near the development; however, we have not given up. We will continue reviewing our options.

At this time with the County's assistance, we have been unable to find a suitable site near the Bayview Ridge Development. As a result, we do not feel we can ask the County to delay any proposed action on the PUD Ordinance on behalf of the Burlington-Edison School District.

We will send a letter to the County with this message.”

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:52 p.m. ADJOURNMENT

Board President

Board Secretary

