

**Board Mtg.**

**BURLINGTON-EDISON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 100**

**Sept. 22, 2014**

The Board of Directors of Burlington-Edison School District No. 100 met on September 22, 2014 in the Board Room of the Administration Office at 7:00 p.m.

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

Staff Members Present: Laurel Browning, Superintendent; Dr. Jeff Drayer, Assistant Superintendent; Joe Stewart, Director of Technology and Finance; Jeff Brown, Director of Special Education; 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. The following addressed the Board:

AUDIENCE  
PARTICIPATION

**Bradley Whaley**

20299 Gardner Ct.

Burlington, WA 98233

Mr. Whaley addressed the Board about middle schools. He stated that when his family moved to the area, they chose the Burlington-Edison School District for his children to attend because it did not have a middle school. He said that B-E students do not seem to have as many problems as the schools in the area that have a middle school. Mr. Whaley stated that B-E kids retain their youth longer and have a better chance academically. He thinks that the reason our students have received so many scholarships and have seen so much success is because there is no middle school.

Mr. Wesen moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 25, 2014 and the minutes of the work session of September 8, 2014. Mr. Wright seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVAL  
OF MINUTES

Mr. Wallace moved to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted; Mr. Wesen seconded, and the motion carried. Mr. Wallace asked about the number of students in the Northwest Career and Technical Academy.

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 September 2014: General Fund Warrant Nos. 324388 through 324645; and 324651 through 324785; Associated Student Body Fund Warrant Nos. 324646 through 324650; and 324786 through 324809; Transportation Vehicle Fund Nos. 324811 through 324811; and Trust Fund Warrant Nos. 324810 through 324810.

APPROVAL OF  
WARRANTS

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

PERSONNEL  
ITEMS

The Board approved the following travel items:

APPROVAL  
OF  
TRAVEL

- The travel of Lucille Umbarger staff member, Jennifer Starkenburg, to Orlando, Florida on November 20-22, 2014 to attend the 2014 American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) convention. The district is paying for the registration fee only (special education budget).
- The travel of B-EHS staff member, Anna Gildnes, and five students to Othello, WA on September 11-12, 2014 to attend the State FFA horse evaluation, connecting science to real life and applying principles of genetics to horse selection. Costs of the trip will be paid by the FFA budget; travel will be via school van.

APPROVAL OF  
AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
NCTA & B-ESD

The Board approved the Interdistrict Agreement between the Northwest Career & Technical Academy (NCTA) and the Burlington-Edison School District for the 2014-2015 school year.

APPROVAL OF  
CLOCK HOUR  
PROVIDER

The Board approved the Burlington-Edison School District as a clock hour provider for the 2014-2015 school year.

ADOPTION OF  
RESOLUTION  
NO. 816

The Board adopted Resolution No. 816. The non-represented employees will be joining the Health Care Authority Insurance effective October 1, 2014. Resolution No. 816 allows for this participation.

BOARD  
PRESIDENT  
STATEMENT

“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.”

President Howard asked the Board if they had any comments.

BOARD  
MEMBER  
COMMENTS

Mr. Wesen attended the Northwest Career and Technical Academy (NCTA) open house. He had a great tour and said it is a really good program. He learned about a lot of interesting subjects including criminal justice this year. They will also be adding a welding class. Nine students from B-E North (alternative school) will be attending the academy this year.

BOARD  
MEMBER  
COMMENTS  
(Continued)

Mr. Wallace attended the WSSDA Legislative Assembly in Yakima, WA on Friday, September 19, and Saturday, September 20, 2014, with Superintendent Browning, and Special Education Director, Jeff Brown. Saturday there was discussion about the legislative agenda and priorities for WSSDA. Friday afternoon was an introduction and presentation from the new WSSDA Executive Director, Alan Burke, originally from OSPI. Marci Maxwell, Senior Policy Advisor for Education in Office of the Governor, had great slides that Mr. Wallace will be getting a copy to share with the Board. One of the slides was a long list of education reforms that are currently going in our state. He said that when he looked at them all listed, he thought “stop new mandates!” There were a couple of panels with legislators. One was democratic and another was republican. Representative Kris Lytton from the 40<sup>th</sup> district seemed to be pretty conversant on education issues and said the statewide average cost per pupil is \$9,800 and working to get it to \$11,500 per pupil--the national average. Republicans are using data to see how money is being used and the results for different student demographics.

Saturday the assembly addressed over 100 legislative positions and proposals. Mr. Wallace sent the Board an email of all the proposals. WSSDA’s prioritized list of legislative positions won’t be ready until early November, and he will make sure the Board gets a copy.

Mr. Wallace prioritized the following proposals for the WSSDA Board’s consideration: full funding for basic education; no unfunded mandates; all day kindergarten; time for professional development; charter schools under local school boards; school construction funding, (due to reduction of class size and all day kindergarten); school employee salaries (parity with other states and comparable professions); allowing schools to be built out of urban growth areas; and federal forest revenue apportionment (\$60,000 a year for our school district).

Mr. Wright was able to attend the freshman orientation parent night. He complimented B-EHS Principal, Todd Setterlund, on the scheduling of the event (ten-minute class visits). He stated that one of the things that he thought was impressive is the one vision/one goal for preparing students for life beyond high school, and this was the leading message at each class that he attended. Mr. Wright said the district has done an incredible job getting the public to buy into that vision.

Director of Technology and Finance, Joe Stewart, presented the monthly Fiscal Report and answered questions from the Board.

FISCAL  
REPORT

Special Education Director, Jeff Brown, updated the Board about this year’s enrollment. He distributed an enrollment comparison. This year one of the Bay View kindergartens is located at the District Office site, but funded by West View. Mr. Wesen wanted to know how many home schoolers we have. Mrs. Browning will provide Mr. Wesen with that information. Mr. Wallace pointed out that West View’s fifth/sixth grade numbers are up, which is good because usually there is a decline with the later grades in the Dual Language program.

ENROLLMENT  
UPDATE

Mr. Wallace moved to approve the travel of 2 B-EHS staff members, 1 chaperone, and 30 students to Portland, Oregon on October 17-18, 2014 to present at the NW Teachers for Social Justice Conference. Costs for the trip will be paid by the RWT 5811 budget. Mr. Wesen seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF  
ADDITIONAL  
TRAVEL ITEM

The Board scheduled their next work session for Monday, October 13, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

NEXT WORK  
SESSION

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

NEXT  
REGULAR MTG.

The first school board tour of the year is scheduled for Monday, October 20, 2014, starting at 8:30 a.m. at Burlington-Edison High School.

BOARD TOUR

Mr. Wesen will go over the warrants this month.

WARRANTS

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:40 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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Board President

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Board Secretary



