

Board Mtg. BURLINGTON-EDISON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 100 Jan. 23, 2017

The Board of Directors of Burlington-Edison School District No. 100 met on January 23, 2017 in the Board Room of the Administration Office at 7:00 p.m.

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

Staff Members Present: Laurel Browning, Superintendent; Dr. Jeff Drayer, Assistant Superintendent; Director of Equity & Assessment, Dr. Bryan Jones; Special Programs Director, Jeff Brown; Technology and Finance Director, Joe Stewart; and Jennifer Dalton, Deputy Board Secretary.

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

CALL TO
ORDER

This month the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chayton Engelson, from Allen Elementary.

PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE

President Wesen opened the floor to any members of the audience who wished to address the Board.

Tonya Bieche

Ms. Bieche thanked the B-ESD staff and board members for their presence at the schools. She informed the Board about a local Michael Jackson impersonator with a message about anti-bullying. He was going to perform at Skagit skate on February 17, 2017. Ms. Bieche also informed the Board about the anti-human trafficking, five county coalition, and happening in Skagit. This coalition emulated the “Nordic Mordel, from King County’s model.

AUDIENCE
PARTICIPATION

Richard Glick

B-EEA Teacher’s Union President, Richard Glick, spoke about the rally held in Olympia this past Monday. Teachers and students attended the legislation regarding school funding. He met with Legislatures and left them the student bill of rights from Washington’s Constitution, 1889 which stated, “It is paramount duty of the state to make ample provision for the education of all children residing within its borders, without distinction or preference on account of race, color, caste, or sex.”

See attached.

He informed the Board that he was hoping to gather local groups and parents in the community to stage a rally at the end of February to let legislatures know how important the funding is to the Burlington-Edison School District.

Mr. Lowell moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 12, 2016 and the work session of January 9, 2017. Mr. Wright seconded; motion carried.

Mr. Wallace moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Mr. Howard seconded, and the motion carried.

APPROVAL
OF MINUTES

Items approved on the consent calendar are as follows:

APPROVAL
OF CONSENT
CALENDAR

Approval was granted for payment of warrants subject to review by the Board member designated by the Board President at the end of the month. Items covered are the January 2017: General Fund Warrant Nos. 335385 through 335525; and 335527 through 335707; Associated Student Body Fund Warrant Nos. 335526 through 335526; and 335708 through 335738; and Trust Fund Warrant Nos. 335739 through 335739.

APPROVAL
OF
WARRANTS

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

The Board approved the following donation:

- Accept the donation of five Chromebooks with the approximate value of \$2,000.00 from Donor's Choose to be used for Lucille Umbarger (entity 214) for classroom research.
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- Accept the donation of a salad bar with the approximate value of \$2,000.00 from the Washington State Potatoes to Bay View elementary school's lunch room.
- Accept the donation of graduation caps and gowns with the approximate value of \$1,000.00 from Jostens' company to be used for high school graduation.

PERSONNEL
ITEMS

APPROVAL
OF
DONATION

The Board declared the miscellaneous items from the Director of Auxiliary, John Leander, as surplus.

The Board approved the superintendent's evaluation.

APPROVAL
OF
SURPLUS

The School Report was led by Principal, Dr. Finch, from Allen. He formally thanked the Board for his time off while hiking the Pacific Crest Trail, and stated that it was great to be back. He introduced Shelee King George, consultant teacher at Allen. Ms. King George shared a song, "We are Allen," a song the 3rd grade students sang at the holiday assembly. Then Nationally Board Certified Teacher, Nolan Harron, introduced a select group of Allen students to tell their personal stories relating to descriptive words and feelings they had explored at school.

APPROVAL
OF SUPERIN-
TENDENT
EVAL-
UATION

Student, Jerzee Johnson, ASB vice-president, shared her story about coming to Allen a year and half ago. She stated that she was scared and shy when she first started, but the students and staff made her feel like family. She commented that Allen was a great school.

ALLEN
SCHOOL
REPORT

Student, Chayton Engelson, ASB treasurer, stated that Allen was a strange and unique school because everyone got along so well. He mentioned that everyone could laugh at each other because they respected each other. He stated that Allen was a very good school.

Student, Marcela Hilario, an eighth grade student who has been at Allen for six years. She stated that Allen is a great, safe school, they all 'get each other', and that they were like family. She

said that the teachers were great, the students were wonderful, and that everyone could be just who they were.

ALLEN
SCHOOL
REPORT

Esther Vazquez, an eighth grader who has been at Allen since kindergarten, stated that it was hard for her to get along with teachers and students for many years. She didn't like school until a wonderful teacher talked to her. It was Mr. Harron. He had said that he knew she acted touch and mean, but he believed that she was a nice girl inside. He wanted to help her show all the teachers what a nice girl she was. Mr. Harron helped her like school, teachers, students and her classes.

Dr. Finch thanked the Board for letting them present, to serve, and to lead. He commented that on February 1, 2017, from 5-7 p.m. it was Family Fun Night and he invited the Board to attend.

January is "School Board Recognition Month." Superintendent Browning presented certificates of appreciation to the Board.

PSE Union President, Rey Salinas, thanked the Board on behalf of the classified staff and he looked forward to a good 2017 year. He also stated that he was an Allen graduate and said that the Allen report was awesome. He thanked the Board for all they do and thanked them for recognizing classified staff during last year's negotiations.

SCHOOL
BOARD
RECOG-
NITION

B-EEA Teacher's Union President, Richard Glick, stated that with the recent controversial election, he has been talking to his students and letting them know that politics really mattered at a local effort. He commented that if you looked at all the time and effort that our Board members put into our events, schools, meetings, that showed what mattered. He mentioned that all the teachers in the B-ESD really appreciated the Board's time and effort. He stated that the B-ESD school board is a great group and that they really knew what was important for the community, kids and teachers. He really appreciated it and thanked the Board for their hard work.

Superintendent Browning presented certificates of appreciation to the Board. She thanked the Board for all their hard work on behalf of all the employees and students in Burlington-Edison district. She stated that the five people on the B-ESD Board gave hours and hours of their time to the students. She commented on the value of the work the Board did and how their efforts not only impacted the students and community, but the whole state. She thanked the Board for everything they do.

At approximately 7:31 p.m., President Wesen announced the Board would take a brief recess. At approximately 7:37 p.m., the Board met again for regular session.

RECESS

Mr. Howard moved to approve amended policy no. 3211/ Transgender Students for first reading, and Mr. Wallace seconded; and the motion carried.

1ST READING
POLICY #
3211

President Wesen asked the Board if they had any comments.

BOARD
COMMENTS

Mr. Howard thanked Mrs. Browning, Richard Glick, and Rey Salinas for their appreciation. He mentioned that the work continued to be very rewarding for him. He thanked them for making it a good place to be.

Mr. Wright seconded Mr. Howard statements and that he enjoyed working with a very intelligent cabinet.

Mr. Wallace stated that he liked working with a great team: the board, the cabinet, Superintendent Browning and all the staff. He also mentioned that he enjoyed the being pronouncer for West View's spelling bee. He thanked Tana Wood and Pam Pryor for coming to Board meetings. He looked forward to this Friday, representing the Board as the Legislative Representative in Olympia with Superintendent Browning and some of the cabinet, to discuss funding with legislators.

BOARD
COMMENTS

Mr. Lowell stated that he enjoyed the Board tour at Allen. He stated that Dr. Finch was a very enthusiastic principal. He commented that he was very proud of being a school board member. He has been on the board since 2010 and he has very much enjoyed the opportunity and how much he has learned. He said that there was a lot of respect in the Board room even if there was a difference of opinion.

President Wesen stated that he felt like the Board and staff were one big team. He really enjoyed the Allen tour and thanked all the recent donors: Donor's Choose, Washington State Potatoes, and Jostens'.

Finance Director, Joe Stewart, presented the monthly Fiscal Report and answered questions from the Board. He thanked the Board for their hard work. He stated that the Capital Projects Fund would have some changes in the year 2017. There would be a lot more activity because the district would be collecting levy dollars. He stated that January's enrollment was at 3,588.00 FTE and that this was the first year B-ESD has seen an increase in this month. He believed full day kindergarten may play a role in this increase.

FISCAL
REPORT

The next Board tour of the year is scheduled for Wednesday, February 1, 2017, at Bay View Elementary School starting at 8:30 a.m.

NEXT BOARD
TOUR

A work session is scheduled for Monday, February 13, 2017, starting at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the District Office.

NEXT
WORK
SESSION

The Board's next regular meeting will be held on Monday, February 27, 2017, starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the District Office.

NEXT BOARD
MTG.

Laurel Browning, Bryan Jones, and Mr. Wallace will attend the WASA/WSSDA/WASBO Legislative Conference in Olympia on February 12, 2017.

LEGISLATIVE
CONFERENCE

Mr. Wright will go over the warrants this month.

WARRANTS

At approximately 7:55 p.m., President Wesen announced there being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

ADJOURNED

Board President

Board Secretary