

The Board of Directors of the Burlington-Edison School District No. 100 met on Monday, April 9, 2018, in the Board Room of the District Office at 4:30 p.m.

In Attendance

Board members present: Rich Wesen, Bill Wallace, and Roger Howard. Staff members present were Laurel Browning, Superintendent; Dr. Jeff Drayer; Assistant Superintendent; Jeff Brown, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, K.C. Knudson; Dr. Bryan Jones, Director of Equity & Assessment, and Jennifer Dalton, Deputy Board Secretary.

Call to Order

President Wesen called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Bay View Parking Lot

Director of Auxiliary, John Leander stated that bids from a total of eleven construction companies for the Bay View parking lot were received. References from the lowest bidder, Carman's Construction, came in clean. The Civil Engineering Company, Ravnik & Associates, Inc. recommended we award the bid to Carman's construction.

Mr. Howard moved to approve the bid from Carman's Construction. Mr. Wallace seconded; the motion carried.

21 Century Update

David Stritch, District Coordinator for after school programs and, Juan Arreguin, gave an update to the Board on the 21 Century program. They stated that Allen school was in its fourth year and Lucille Umbarger was a new program with funding for 1.2 million for 5 years. They have seen social growth and engagement in students in a positive and healthy way. At Allen school students have grown to become leaders to their peers. The Skagit County Child and Family Consortium recognized Allan's program. 21 Century partners with the Burlington Morning Rotary, Community Action, and Western Washington University (WWU). They also have a food backpack program now active at Allen, Lucille Umbarger, West View, and Bay View. There was a recent field trip to WWU's STEM academy, which helped to spark students' interest in math, science and engineering.

This summer 21 Century will provide student teachers from WWU to teach in the summer school program.

State Diploma

Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Jeff Drayer, asked the board to consider updating Policy and Procedure 2410 to allow Burlington North (BN) students to graduate with 24 core credits even though B-EHS school is a 30-credit graduation program. He would also like to see that BN hold their own graduation commencement and ceremony, their own diploma, and to consider BN as a completely separate entity from the high school. He asked the Board to take into consideration life situations of the students that attend BN.

Status of NJROTC

Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Jeff Drayer, recommended to the Board that B-ESD convert the NJROTC program to a status of NNDCC (Navel National Defense Cadet Core). This recommendation came from Dan Boudreau, NJROTC teacher at the high school due to the low enrollment numbers in the program. The District had hoped that with the change to block scheduling this would help strengthen numbers in the program. There was only one applicant to fulfill Chris Hunter's position, 52 students, and approximately 44 signed up for next year, he has suggested that we apply to the Navy to make this status change.

Additional costs to maintain the program at the level of NNDCC will be covered by the district CTE budget. Mr. Boudreau will communicate to the mayor and the city administrators. Dr. Drayer stated that if we build the program up to a consistent 100 students then the program could always petition the Navy to have the status back again.

Due to the low enrollment and lack of participation, the Board decided to make a decision at a future Board meeting.

Blanchard Mtn.

Board member, Bill Wallace, updated the Board on Blanchard Forest.

In 2007, 4800 acres in the Blanchard forest timber value was estimated at \$12 million. Beneficiaries (B-ESD) were to be paid in full by 2017. Currently, \$6.5 million has been appropriated. The DNR recognizes that they owe Skagit County and the B-ESD interest and increased timber growth, which is now more valuable. DNR has added \$2.2 million to the balance owed totaling \$7.7 million. Of the \$6.5 million that was appropriated, DNR has used \$4.5 million to buy other forestland. This land was purchased outside of our district so the District won't benefit financially and \$2 million currently appropriated has to be spent by 2019. Mr. Wallace outlined a couple of acquisition strategies and the first priority is to buy Committee recommended forest parcels adjacent to Blanchard forest on Anderson Mtn. or the second priority would be to buy elsewhere in Skagit county. House Bill 2988 would help the money that is out of our district flow back to our district if it passes in legislation an estimated \$738 thousand from three timber sales, on

Blanchard and Alger Hill, will benefit our district in capital funds. For more information see attached.

The Board meeting on May 28th was changed to Monday, May 21st at 7:30 am.

Adjourned

At approximately 6:05 p.m., there being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Board President

Board Secretary