

Board Mtg. BURLINGTON-EDISON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 100 June 11, 2018

The Board of Directors of Burlington-Edison School District No. 100 met on June 11, 2018 in the Board Room of the Administration Office at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

CALL TO
ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE

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

President Wesen asked the Board if they had any comments.

Mr. Wright stated that he was very proud of the District's administrative staff and students for a great graduation week. It was a great experience.

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Mr. Wallace made the comment that he enjoyed the tour of Lucille Umbarger and that he found it very informative. Mr. Wallace enjoyed taking stage handing out diplomas with Mr. Wright. It was a great event and he was thankful for tents because it rained. He informed the Board about the letter he asked them to sign. It was a thank you from the Board and Superintendent Browning to the new Superintendent of Public Instruction, Chris Reykdal. Superintendent Reykdal helped to get state forest revenues rules changed so that schools would receive funding from the levy portion. He has made this change retroactive from the start of the school year. Mr. Wallace was thankful for Superintendent Reykdal's work on this.

Mr. Lowell thanked Mr. Wallace for the insight on the forest funds. He congratulated families with graduating students and stated that he enjoyed the Lucille Umbarger tour. He really liked the outgoing principal but he also really likes the new principal.

Mr. Wesen stated that he enjoyed the Lucille Umbarger tour and enjoyed to conversation with the new principal, Dr. Justin May. He commented that he went to the Burlington North graduation and really liked it. They had 20 students graduating. He also stated that they did a good job at B-EHS's graduation. Mr. Wesen stated that it was a bittersweet Retirement Tea, we have great staff here at B-ESD and it was hard seeing some of the people leaving.

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

AUDIENCE
PARTICI-
PATION

Mr. Lowell moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 21, 2018. Mr. Howard seconded; motion carried. The Special Meeting of May 23, 2018 minutes were pulled to add some changes and will be on July's agenda.

APPROVAL
OF MINUTES

Mr. Wallace moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Mr. Wright 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 the month. Items covered are the June 2018: General Fund Warrant Nos. 341682 through 341837; and 341840 through 342078; Capital Projects Fund Warrant Nos. 341838 through 341838; and 342128 through 342150. Associated Student Body Fund Warrant Nos. 341839 through 341839; and 342079 through 342126 and Trust Fund Warrant Nos. 342127 through 342127.

APPROVAL
OF
PERSONNEL
&
CONTRACTS

The attached appointments, resignations, and leaves of absence were approved/accepted. The Board approved the 2018-19 Administrator, Superintendent and Certificated Contracts.

The Board approved the following travel items:

- a. Principal Setterlund with staff members, Heather Paton, Dalila Rodriguez, one chaperone, and five students, to the University of Washington, Seattle on June 18–21, 2018 to attend the Early Engineering Institute. Costs for the trip will be paid by GEAR UP. Transportation will be via school van.
- b. Arturo Vivanco, five chaperones and 12 students to University of Washington, Seattle on June 20-26, 2018 to attend the Title 1 Migrant Conference. Costs for the trip will be paid by Migrant Education. Transportation will be via charter bus.
- c. Brett McLeod, Bryan Schulle, Michelle Wesen, three chaperones and 12 students to Vancouver, WA on December 27-29, 2018 to attend a basketball tournament. Costs for the trip will be paid by ASB and the Booster Club. Transportation will be via school van.
- d. Tawnya Brewer, Jordan Lautenbach, two chaperones and 10 students to Kent, WA on September 21-22, 2018 to attend a volleyball tournament. Costs for the trip will be paid by the Booster Club. Transportation will be via school van.
- e. Susan Wright, Kevin Gudgel, two chaperones and 14 students to Seaside, OR on September 21-22, 2018 to attend a 3 Course Challenge cross country meet. Costs for the trip will be paid by the B-E track/XC Booster Club. Transportation will be via school van.

APPROVAL OF
TRAVEL
For
2017-18
&
2018-19

The Board approved the 2018-19 Northwest Regional Data Center Contract. B-ESD's 2018-19 membership with the NWRDC will renew at the current 2017-18 service level (Full, Fiscal Only, or Student Only) with no small fee increase.

2018-19 NW
REGIONAL
DATA CENTER
CONTRACT

The Board approved the 2018-19 B-EHS Student/Parent Handbook.

2018-19
STUDENT
HANDBOOK

The Board approved the Cooperative Purchasing Network Contract (TCPN). The purpose of this cooperative is to obtain substantial savings for member school districts and public entities through volume purchasing.	TCPN APPROVAL
The Board approved the IMC's recommendation of new Spanish Novel Sets and an AP Calculus text.	APPROVAL OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS
The Board approved the amended Maestros contract. The most significant change is the lowered instructional budget funds (used to support items such as the WEST-B prep courses) due to the RWT-BEI grant.	AMENDED MAESTROS CONTRACT
The Board approved the Interlocal Agreement between Skagit County and Burlington-Edison School District supports the implementation/sustainability of programs and practices that prevent or reduce maladaptive substance use, substance-use disorders, or substance dependence. These efforts are supported by implementing practices targeting mental health promotion, prevention & treatment, and providing professional development for district employees.	APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT W/SKAGIT COUNTY
The Board approved the ten-year lease agreement for the Carnegie Library Building.	CARNEGIE LIBRARY LEASE
The Board approved the K&L Gates Confirmation of Re-Engagement Agreement	K&L GATES AGREEMENT
Dr. Drayer presented the changes to the Board Policy 2410 again to the Board. He stated that Burlington North would offer a 24-credit graduation. This is a state diploma. It will be totally independent from the high school's regular graduation where the students must earn 30 credits to receive a B-E diploma and to walk at the commencement.	ADOPTION OF BOARD POLICY NO. 2410 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
Mr. Howard moved to adopt the amended Board Policy 2410, High School Graduation Requirements. Mr. Lowell seconded and the motion carried.	
Due to the meeting being so early in the month, the Fiscal Report will be mailed to the Board after the meeting.	FISCAL REPORT
Mr. Howard moved to adopt the 2018-19 Board goals. Wright seconded and the motion carried.	2018-19 BOARD GOALS
Mr. Wallace commented that because this vote on this Bond Measure tonight was one of the biggest policy decisions this Board will make, he wanted to share some thoughts. He stated that it had been a couple of years leading up to this point and he felt the Board had taken the necessary time and path to study this middle school topic thoughtfully. He thanked the Board for setting a goal in 2014 to review the middle grade programming to make sure our students were provided a strong transition to high school. He thanked the District for putting forward a thoughtful, comprehensive process to look at middle-grade programming and facility needs. This process has included committees, public meetings,	FACILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEES BOND RECOMMEN- DATION BOARD COMMENTS

community surveys, property and facility consultants, and several other formal and informal venues to exchange information. He also thanked the Middle-Grade Programming Committee and the recent Facility Advisory Committee for rolling their sleeves up to make a very comprehensive and strong recommendations to the Board.

Mr. Wallace stated that he was confident the Bond Measure Resolution was consistent with the recommendation of these two committees as well as the considerable feedback from teachers, parents, community members, and the District. He recognized that the K-8 system has been a proud tradition for decades here in the B-E School District. However, Mr. Wallace feels that the District can do a better job of providing our students with that strong transition to high school. He believed that this bond measure, as recommended by the Facility Advisory Committee addresses the District's highest facility needs and is in the best interest of our community, and most importantly, our students.

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Mr. Lowell stated that he was going to be voting no for moving forward with the Facility Advisory's Recommendation. He stated that he was in favor of the upgrades to the high school and for West View, but not in favor of the middle school. He thanked the District and Board for all the effort that has gone into the years of research, but he believed that more folks in the community didn't want this and he thought it would be a tough bond to pass with a 60% vote. Mr. Lowell felt that this bond measure will not be received well in the community, but he would not be a detriment in the community with the Board's efforts to pass this bond.

Mr. Wright said that the Facility Advisory Committee put a lot of work into this and the committee was a great cross section of the community. He commented on how hard the committee worked and that it was a hard dig but they came to a unanimous recommendation for the Board to move forward with a bond measure to build a middle school. Mr. Wright agreed with the decision of the committee. He had always wanted his kids to be involved and raised in a K-8 system, but he has seen too many students not ready for high school and he felt that the District could do better for the kids.

Mr. Howard stated the he would like to echo what Mr. Wright said and the statement Mr. Wallace read. Mr. Howard stated that he grew up in Burlington and he started this process not sure there was a need for a middle school. After having spent so much time reviewing and analyzing this topic, all the research and presentations that were done, he feels strongly that the District would be providing the best opportunity for the community by offering a middle school. He supports the Committee's recommendation to move forward with a bond measure to build a middle school. This decision really showed that it was about the kids and how the District could help improve their abilities to be better prepared for high school.

Mr. Wesen commented that he grew up in Burlington and when this goal was set in 2014 he could have gone either way, but the more he learned he realized that this middle school could offer way more opportunities for the students. He stated that the Board wasn't in a hurry to decide this and waited for Lucille Umbarger's bond to expire. He stated the District's meetings with the staff, students, and Thoughtexchange Surveys had mixed reviews. The Middle-Grade Programming Committee came back with a recommendation to move forward with a middle

school. Then with the unanimous Facility Advisory Committee recommendation to proceed with a bond, this really convinced him to move forward with this decision to build a middle school.

Mr. Wright was concerned that if the District decided to wait to go for a bond then that \$98.3 million would turn into a \$120 million within a short period, the District had already seen what rising inflation, and rapidly rising building costs were doing to the levy dollars for the high school remodel.

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Mr. Wallace stated that with some of the bonds retiring, the levy reducing next year and with the state increasing how they are dispersing their levy dollars, taxpayers would be paying less in the future even if they were paying out on this new bond. Mr. Wallace commented to the Board that they had a challenge to inform and educate that public on what they and the committees had learned. If the District is trying to reduce class size along with accommodating expected student growth, the District is out of room. There is no room for more portables at any of the elementary schools. He stated that the unanimous decision from the Facility Advisory Committee was clearly about what was in the best interest for the kids. He believes the District needs to go forward with the Facility Advisory Committees' recommendation to build a middle school as well as improvements at the high school and West View.

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Mr. Wallace moved to approve the Facility Advisory Committee's Recommendation to pass a bond measure resolution for up to \$98.3 million to construct a new middle school, improve safety and security at the high school, provide the high school with a classroom addition and site improvements, and provide West View Elementary building improvements including upgrades to its food service facilities and a new gym, to be placed in front of District voter in February, 2019. Mr. Wright seconded, Mr. Lowell opposed, the motion passed.

APPROVAL
OF THE FAC
RECOMMEN-
DATION
TO RUN FOR A
BOND

FIRST READING
POLICY#
6119

Mr. Howard moved to give first reading of the amended Board Policy 6119, Uncollected Non-Tax Revenue. Mr. Wright seconded and the motion carried.

NO WORK
SESSION IN
JULY

There will be no work session in July.

JULY BOARD
MEETING

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

DECEMBER
BOARD MEETING
DATE

December Board meeting was set for the date of December 10, 2018.

NO WORK
SESSION IN
AUGUST

There will be no work session in August.

BACK TO SCHOOL
FAIR

Back to School Fair will is scheduled for Saturday, August 25, 2018 at Maiben Park.

AUGUST BOARD
MEETING

August regular board meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 27, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

WARRANTS

Mr. Wesen will go over the warrants this month.

EXECUTIVE
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At approximately 7:38 p.m., President Wesen announced the Board would recess into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations and that the public was excluded due to the sensitive nature of the matter. He stated that he anticipated the Executive Session would be no more than 60 minutes long, and that the Board would not take action upon return to public session.

ADJOURNED

At approximately 8:07 a.m., there being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Board President

Board Secretary