

Board Meeting. BURLINGTON-EDISON SCHOOL DISTRICT Sept. 9, 2019

The Board of Directors of the Burlington-Edison School District No. 100 met on Monday, September 9, 2019, in the Board Room of the District Office at 4:30 p.m.

In Attendance

Board members present: President, Rich Wesen, Vice-President, Troy Wright, Roger Howard, David Lowell, and Bill Wallace. Staff Members Present: Laurel Browning, Superintendent; Dr. Bryan Jones, Assistant Superintendent; Executive Director of Student Support Services, Jeff Brown; Director of Finance & Operations, Valori Smith; Executive Director of Learning & Communications, Todd Setterlund; and Deputy Board Secretary, Jennifer Dalton.

Call to Order

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

Healthy Youth Survey

B-EHS Intervention Specialist, Steve Zeiser, presented the biannual Healthy Youth Survey data. Students in 6th, 8th, 10th and 12th grades participate and the answer are anonymous. This survey covers a wide variety of topics, but alcohol, marijuana and tobacco continue to be the top three substances used in our district. Our averages for the risk and protective factors were comparable with the state except for our 6th grade cohort which exceeded state averages. Mr. Zeiser stated that survey results demonstrated that the district has students with risk factors but the overwhelming majority are not using substances and the overwhelming majority are trying their best at school.

Enrollment

Executive Director of Learning & Communications, Todd Setterlund, updated the Board on enrollment. He stated that today was our first count day of the year so the head count numbers are tentative at 3548 students; approximately 52 kids up from last September.

School Bond

Superintendent Browning presented the pre-bond planning information from ESD112 to the school board. She reviewed the overview of the potential 2020 bond costs from the performing arts center option, the multi-purpose commons/cafeteria option and the 3-story building massing. She stated that the bond costs assumptions that the ESD112 highlighted were for the capacity of 625-650 students, a 175 SF per student model concept to figure the budget, a 3-story structure to fit on the site, and space accommodations for classes. Cost increases since the last bond were now running at a 20% increase. These increases were attributed to construction costs, complicated permitting and building codes, the construction market and availability of labor, and the

uncertainty about steel prices and tariffs. The cost progression for the 2020 bond would be a rise from \$98.3 million to \$103.7 million. The performing arts center option has also risen dramatically to \$13.73 million. Mrs. Browning shared examples of recently constructed 3-story schools.

The discussed the 2-year Maintenance and Operations levy that also needs to run on the 2020 ballot, a possible 10-15 year building plan for the district, and marketing ideas for this bond.

Adjourned

At approximately 6: 12 p.m. there being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Board President

Board Secretary