

The Board of Directors of the Burlington-Edison School District No. 100 met on Monday, April 10, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. at 927 E. Fairhaven Avenue, Burlington, WA 98273.

Board Members attended via zoom: President Troy Wright, Vice-President Holly Nielsen, and board members, David Lowell, Roger Howard, and Rich Wesen.

Staff members present: Superintendent Laurel Browning; Assistant Superintendent Dr. Bryan Jones, Director of Finance & Operations, Valori Vargas; Executive Director of Student Support Services, Jeff Brown; Executive Director of Learning & Communications, Todd Setterlund; Director of Human Resources, Jen Whitney and Deputy Board Secretary, Jennifer Dalton.

### **Call to Order**

President, Troy Wright, called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

### **ROTC**

Kirk Hamilton and Dan Boudreau from NJROTC updated the Board on the NJROTC program and potential other options. The NJROTC must report on their enrollment twice a year and the B-ESD has always fallen below the 50 students and the district receives an annual probation letter. The Navy is no longer giving the district any grace. The Board will need to make a decision on what to do. There are three options: keep a struggling program, dismantle it completely or transition to the US Naval Sea Cadet Corps (USNSCC).

The USNSCC is a similar program to NJROTC except it is much more vocational, winter, spring and summer break trainings offered. It will require an MOA or MOU between B-ESD and the USNSCC.

This program will require new uniforms which will be an initial cost the first year and run approximately \$250-300 each, but the NJROTC Booster Club has the funds to cover this.

The USNSCC supply system is embedded at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center.

There are no enrollment reports required, but a minimum of 25 students is required.

The NJROTC frameworks can be changed to USNSCC and it will add the vocational training.

The approval process should be started right away and the Board will have to approve of this transition.

If the Board decides to dismantle this program completely then the other option is to offer private pilot curriculum and possibly incorporate sUAS curriculum from Robotics II and NJROTC NAV 3 & 4.


The NJROTC Booster Club President, Korie Holmes also has given her support.

## **B-ESD Educational Racial Equity Policy No. 1801 Quarterly Report**

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Bryan Jones, gave the quarterly report on Policy No. 1801, Educational Racial Equity. There are three bullet points for the District's vision: promoting the success of each and every student; working actively to eliminate institutional and structural barriers, policies, and practices that advertently or inadvertently perpetuate inequities among racially and currently underserved students and staff; creating systems and providing resources to increase student academic achievement and eliminate the disproportionality of access and outcomes. The administration has been working with Dr. Tammy Campbell from Scholarly First Inc. to amplify student voice in classrooms. The District is using a Combined Theory of Action as the strategy to help students feel like they belong. The District has also hosted several PLC sessions in August, October and April and Dr. Jones shared the rubric of standards from these days. Between the increase in student academic achievement from curriculum adoptions and the professional learning of staff, the District now only has 2 schools that are identified for school improvement status instead of 4.

At approximately 5:10 p.m., President, Troy Wright announced the Board would recess into an Executive Session to discuss the performance of a public employee. The public is being excluded due to the sensitive nature of this matter. The Executive Session would be no more than 30 minutes long.

At approximately 5:25 p.m. there being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

  
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