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### **Work/Study Session**

President Deagle called the work/study session of the Issaquah School Board to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Issaquah School District Administrative Center. Present with Mr. Deagle were Directors Suzanne Weaver, Marnie Maraldo, Anne Moore, Alison Meryweather and Superintendent Ron Thiele. The work/study was focused on Common Assessments.

### **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

President Brian Deagle called the August 14, 2013 meeting of the Issaquah School Board to order in regular session in the Board Room of the Administration Service Center at 7:08 p.m. In attendance with Mr. Deagle were directors Marnie Maraldo, Anne Moore, Suzanne Weaver, Alison Meryweather and Superintendent Ron Thiele.

### **Public Input**

- Becky Gordon, Chairperson of the Issaquah Special Needs Group. The Issaquah Special Needs Group is a member of the Issaquah PTSA Council. Ms. Gordon, invited Superintendent Thiele, the members of the school board, Marilyn Holm, Susan Wolever, and Melissa Madsen to their first meeting on October 8, 2013 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Issaquah Special Needs Group generally meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month.
- Jodi Bongard, Executive Director of Elementary Schools, introduced new members of the Administrative team: Leslie Lederman, newly selected principal at Sunny Hills Elementary and Sara Jo Pietraszewski, newly selected principal at Challenger Elementary.

### **Establishment of Regular Agenda – No changes**

### **Approval of Consent Agenda**

Mr. Deagle moved agenda item number 8 from the Discussion/Action topics to the Consent Agenda, noting that this type of item is generally on the Consent Agenda: Liberty High School Phase II Addition and Modernization – Change Order #5

Ms. Weaver moved the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Ms. Meryweather seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Action was taken as follows:

1. Approve the Liberty High School Addition and Modernization Phase II Change Order #5 from Babbit Neuman Construction Company, in the amount of \$114,115.65 plus \$10,840.99 WSST for a total of \$124,956.64.
2. Presented the June, 2013 Budget Status Report for information only.
3. Approved vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been made available to the Board. As of August 14, 2013, the Board, by a majority vote, does approve for payment those vouchers and electronic transfers included in the following list and further described as follows: General fund vouchers 331795 through 332538 in the total amount of \$1,443,981.41; Capital Projects fund vouchers 331923 through 332559 in the total amount of \$8,038,265.18; ASB fund vouchers 331937 through 332567 in the total amount of \$23,147.66; Payroll fund vouchers 172277 through 172449 in the total amount of \$2,380,709.03; Electronic Transfer – Payroll in the total amount of \$9,791,751.78; Electronic Transfer – Department

of Revenue in the total amount of \$10,873.09; Electronic Transfer – GF AP in the total amount of \$398,087.03; Electronic Transfer – CPF AP in the total amount of \$187,521.48; Electronic Transfer – ASB AP in the total amount of \$52,703.23.

4. Approved the gifts/donations from the Issaquah Schools Foundation in the total amount of \$229,252.08 to fund various district programs.
5. Approved the minutes of the July 10, 2013 regular meeting as presented.
6. Approved the Certificated Employee Resignations (2012-13)\*
7. Approved the Certificated Employee Leaves of Absence (2013-14)\*
8. Approved the Certificated Employee Contracts (2013-14)\*
9. Approved the Supplemental Contracts/Employment Agreements\*
10. Approved the Classified New Employees (2013-14)\*
11. Approved the Classified Employee Resignations/Retirements/Terminations (2013-14)\*

\*Personnel listings are available by clicking on the appropriate item on the electronic agenda for this meeting at <http://www.issaquah.wednet.edu/board/events/ViewEvent.aspx?ID=363&KEY=TYsis645>.

### **Summary of Work/Study Session**

President Brian Deagle called the work/study session of the Issaquah School Board to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Service Center. Present with Mr. Deagle were Ms. Maraldo, Ms. Weaver, Ms. Moore, Ms. Meryweather, Superintendent Thiele and other members of the Issaquah School District administration. This work/study session focused on Common Assessments.

The Board and Superintendent Thiele also recapped the Board retreat held on August 5 & 7 from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on each of those days. A wide array of topics were covered at the retreat, including Governance Policies and the Board/Superintendent Linkages.

### **PTSA Homework Survey Results**

Betsy Cohen, last year's PTSA Advocacy Chair, and Lea Bachman, parent advocate, gave a comprehensive review of the results to the Homework Survey which was administered in June, 2013, which included a Power Point presentation. Superintendent Thiele commented that it was evident the PTSA was passionate about this subject, and he was impressed with their research. He also acknowledged the value in bringing these survey results forward. All members of the board thanked both Ms. Cohen and Ms. Bachman for their presentation.

### **PUBLIC HEARING: 2013-14 Budget Hearing**

President Deagle gaveled the meeting into a public hearing for the purpose of a first reading of the 2013-14 budget of the Issaquah School District. Superintendent Thiele said the district takes great pride in being fiscally well managed, and is very careful with our taxpayers' dollars. He also pointed out that although our revenue has increased, we are still not even close to where we were in 2008-09. Jacob Kuper said that the Issaquah School District makes very good use of our funds, and even though we are toward the bottom on revenue, we are toward the top on student outcomes, coming in 257 out of 295 school districts in Washington State.

No public input was received, and President Deagle gaveled out and formally closed the public hearing. Board action to adopt the budget is scheduled for the August 28, 2013 board meeting.

### **EL-4 Financial Planning and Budgeting**

Ms. Weaver moved and Ms. Moore seconded the Board accept the monitoring report presented for EL-4 Financial Planning and Budgeting as presented. Jacob Kuper, CFO, presented the monitoring report for EL-4 Financial Planning and Budgeting. Following Mr. Kuper's presentation the motion carried unanimously.

### **EL-5 Actual Financial Condition and Activities**

Ms. Weaver moved and Ms. Moore seconded the Board accept the monitoring report presented for EL-5 Actual Financial Condition and Activities as presented. Jacob Kuper, CFO, presented the monitoring report for EL-5 Actual Financial Condition and Activities. Following Mr. Kuper's presentation the motion carried unanimously.

### **EL-6 Asset Protection**

Ms. Weaver moved and Ms. Moore seconded the Board accept the monitoring report presented for EL-6 Asset Protection as presented. Jacob Kuper, CFO, presented the monitoring report for EL-5 Asset Protection. Following Mr. Kuper's presentation the motion carried unanimously.

### **Capital Projects Update**

Steve Crawford, Director of Capital Projects, gave a presentation on the various active construction projects in the District. This presentation was for information only, with no action required. Presented for information were the remodels at Issaquah Valley Elementary, Apollo Elementary, Liberty High School, the updated boardroom, and the progress on the Maywood Middle School and Pine Lake Middle School field turfs.

### **Policy Governance Monitoring Calendar for 2013-14**

Superintendent Thiele presented a draft of the Policy Governance Monitoring Calendar for 2013-14 for discussion by the board. Board action is anticipated at the August 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **Legislative Matters**

Anne Moore presented information only, no action was taken. Ms. Moore discussed the upcoming Washington State School Directors' Association (WSSDA) Legislative Assembly to be held September 20 and 21, 2013, in Seattle, WA. It was noted there will be a quorum of the board in attendance, so public notification of a Special Meeting will require publishing. No ISD action will take place during this assembly.

### **Works in Progress**

Superintendent Thiele gave the board a review of the New Teacher Academy, the Talk About It program, bus driver new contract ratification, and Sara Niegowski leaving Issaquah School District to begin a position in the Tukwila School District. Mr. Thiele also thanked the Issaquah Schools Foundation for their generous gift of \$229,252.08 which is outlined in the Consent Agenda.

### **Announcements and Correspondence**

Since the last board meeting, written communications to the Board have included:

- Ashley Dominquez RE: Later school start time
- James H. Adamson III RE: Summer School
- Christina England RE: Employment with the ISD
- Ken Shapero RE: Soil Concern
- Rep. Dave Reichert RE: House Rule 5
- M. Pruet RE: Special Education
- Dr. Doug Gill RE: Task force for special needs students
- D. Carr A personal email that came to Ms. Meryweather's school board address.

**Calendar and Future Agenda Topics**

September 10, 2013, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., WSSDA Learn and Leverage Conference. Ms. Meryweather and Ms. Moore expressed interest in attending.

October 8, 2013, 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., first meeting of the Issaquah Special Needs Group.

**Executive Session** - No executive session required.

**Adjournment 10:01 p.m.**

*These minutes were approved as presented at the August 28, 2013 regular school board meeting.*