

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 Executive Limitations (ELs) and Student Learning Goals (ENDs) Governance Policies.

Please note: Because regular Issaquah School Board meetings are now being recorded and made available in their entirety for listening via podcast at <http://www.issaquah.wednet.edu/board/podcasts/Default.aspx> minutes will reflect board action/direction and general topic discussion only.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

President Brian Deagle called the September 11, 2013 meeting of the Issaquah School Board to order in regular session in the Board Room of the Administration Service Center at 7:12 p.m. In attendance with Mr. Deagle were directors Marnie Maraldo, Anne Moore, Suzanne Weaver, Alison Meryweather and Superintendent Ron Thiele.

Doug Jones, social studies teacher at Issaquah High School, led the pledge of allegiance.

Public Input

Jacob Kuper, Chief Financial Officer, introduced Ruby Perez, Director of Finance

Establishment of Regular Agenda – No changes

Approval of Consent Agenda

Ms. Moore moved the consent agenda be approved as presented. Ms. Weaver seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Action was taken as follows:

1. 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 September 11, 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 332568 through 333150 in the total amount of \$2,256,449.19; Capital Projects vouchers 332702 through 333168 in the total amount of \$3,587,671.61; ASB fund vouchers 332728 through 333201 in the total amount of \$53,038.96; Payroll vouchers 172450 through 172653 in the total amount of \$2,092,253.76; Electronic Transfer – Payroll in the total amount of \$8,536,669.86; Electronic Transfer – Department of Revenue in the total amount of \$21,543.15; Electronic Transfer – GF AP in the total amount of \$163,943.19; Electronic Transfer – CPF AP in the total amount of \$78,076.77; Electronic Transfer – ASB AP in the total amount of \$77,316.33.
2. Approved gifts/donations from Issaquah Schools Foundation in the total amount of \$276,000 to fund various district programs; from Creekside Elementary PTSA in the total amount of \$15,000.00 to fund educational assistant salaries in the BEL program; Cascade Ridge Elementary PTSA in the total amount of \$8,000.00 to fund educational

in the total amount of \$12,000.00 to fund educational assistant salaries in the BEL program; Kenneth Valach in the total amount of \$5,000.00 to support the football program, including expenses for a guest speaker, at Liberty High School; the Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund, through the generosity and recommendation of the Caldwell Charitable Foundation, has donated \$10,000.00 to support the updating of gymnastics equipment at Skyline High School.

3. Approved the minutes of the August 28, 2013 regular meeting as presented.
4. Approved the Certificated Employee Contracts (2013-14) as presented.*
5. Approved the Certificated Employee Resignations (2013-14) as presented.*
6. Approved the Ratification of Agreement – Educational Assistants – as presented.*
7. Approved the Classified New Employees (2013-14) as presented.*
8. Approved the Classified Employee Resignations/Retirements/Terminations (2013-14) as presented.*
9. Approved the Classified Employee Leave of Absence (2013-14) as presented.*

*personnel listings are available by clicking on the appropriate item on the electronic agenda for this meeting:

<http://www.issaquah.wednet.edu/board/events/ViewEvent.aspx?ID=405&KEY=wY8j1Nj1>

Summary of Work/Study Session

The Board conducted a work/study session prior to the regular meeting. The topic was on Executive Limitations (ELs) and Student Learning Goals (ENDs) Governance Policies. The Board continued with this discussion under Item 10 of this agenda; “Continuation of ENDs and ELs Revision Work.”

Revised 2015-18 Maintenance and Operations Levy Amounts – Kuper

The Revised 2015-2018 Maintenance and Operations Levy Amounts were presented by Jacob Kuper for discussion only. Action is anticipated during the September 25, 2013 board meeting.

First Week of School – Thiele

The administration provided a brief summary on the first week of the 2013-14 school year. Superintendent Thiele gave a huge thanks to the hundreds of parent volunteers, custodial staff, grounds crews, and transportation for a very smooth start to the year. He also described how teachers and staff did a wonderful job welcoming new students.

Jodi Bongard, Director of Elementary Schools, Michelle Trifunovic, Director of Middle Schools and Paula Phelps, Director of High Schools also spoke to the opening of school, and all were encouraged and pleased with the smooth beginning to the 2013-14 school year.

EL-7 Emergency Superintendent Succession Monitoring Report – Thiele

The Administration presented the annual internal monitoring report for EL-7 Emergency Superintendent Succession to the board.

Ms. Weaver moved the board accept the annual monitoring report for EL-7 Emergency Superintendent Succession as presented. Ms. Moore seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Policy Governance Monitoring 1 – 11 - Board

The Governance Policies 1-11 were presented for first reading on August 28.

Ms. Moore moved the board approve all Governance Policies 1 through 11 as reviewed and monitored for updating as presented. Ms. Maraldo seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Board/Superintendent Linkage Policies Monitoring 1 – 5E

The Board/Superintendent Linkage policies 1 – 5E were presented for first reading on August 28.

Ms. Moore moved the board approve all Board/Superintendent Linkage policies 1 – 5E as reviewed and monitored for updating as presented. Ms. Weaver seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Capital Projects Update - Kuper

Superintendent Thiele presented an update on the redesign and relocation of the administrative offices at Issaquah Valley Elementary, Apollo Elementary and Liberty High School, improving work flow and supervision. Mr. Kuper also noted that safety has improved at Issaquah Valley Elementary with the enclosure of the corridors, and the new front door locking system.

Legislative Matters - Board

Ms. Moore has contacted Washington State legislators for the purpose of scheduling a linkage meeting with the Board. It was discussed and decided that October 30th, prior to the board meeting, from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. would be the best. Ms. Moore will contact the individual legislators and give them the schedule.

Ms. Moore, Ms. Maraldo and Ms. Meryweather plan to attend the WSSDA Legislative Assembly on September 20 and 21. This does constitute a quorum of the board; however, no action will be taken during this assembly.

Works in Progress

Mr. Thiele gave the Board a status report on new technology upgrades, allowing staff to participate in professional development offerings through group book studies, literacy, and the ability to take advantage of courses offered by the Center for Collaborative Studies <https://sites.google.com/site/ccsbookstudies/>.

Also of interest, the Sammamish review published a positive article on the new Talk About It program.

High School graduations will not be at Safeco field this year due to scheduling conflicts with the Seattle Mariners baseball team. Issaquah School District is first on the list for securing Key Arena, and it is anticipated that graduation will be held there on Friday, June 13, 2014.

Continuation of ENDS and ELs Revision Work – Board

The Board continued discussion of the ENDS (Student Learning Goals) and ELs (Executive Limitations). This revision work was discussed during the work/study prior to this meeting. Subcommittees were formed for more in depth work as follows:

- Ms. Moore and Ms. Maraldo will work together and create subparts to E-4.
- Ms. Weaver and Ms. Meryweather will work together on E-2, 2.3, E-5.3, and EL-11,1C.

Announcements and Correspondence

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

- M. Barry RE: Parent-provided snacks

Receipt of all correspondence has been acknowledged. Individual directors summarized other correspondence received in their personal mail as follows:

- L. Tjom RE: School safety and security
- M. Hines RE: Changing school district policy
- R. Nevin RE: School start times
- J. Kuechle RE: Issaquah Salmon Hatchery
- WA St Legislators RE: Calendar items
- M. Pruet RE: Special Education
- D. Johnson RE: Friends of Youth
- L. Austin RE: Friends of Youth
- A. O'Reilly RE: Eastside Human Services forum
- S. Jameson RE: DSHS

Calendar and Future Agenda Topics

- September 16, 2013, 4:00 p.m. Student Council meeting at Issaquah High School
- October 8, 2013, 7:00 p.m. Special Education meeting at the Administration Center
- October 29, 2013, 4:00 - 8:30 p.m. Washington State WSSDA Regional meeting at the John Stanford Center in Seattle
- October 30, 2013, 5:30 p.m. Washington State Legislative Linkage meeting prior to the regularly scheduled board meeting at the Administrative Center
- November 21 and 22, 2013, the WSSDA Annual Meeting in Bellevue, WA
- April 5-7, 2014, the NSBA Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA

Executive Session – No executive session was required.

Adjournment: 9:16 pm

These minutes were approved as presented at the September 25, 2013 regular board meeting.