

Executive Session:

At 5:02 p.m., the Board went into Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140 related to collective bargaining. Superintendent Thiele and ISD administrators were in attendance. Executive Sessions are not open to the public and no action was taken. The session was paused at 5:30 p.m. and the Board continued their meeting after this regular business meeting.

Work Study

The Board met at 5:32 p.m. for a discussion on Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), Board President Suzanne Weaver, Directors Harlan Gallinger, Marnie Maraldo, Anne Moore, Sydne Mullings along with Superintendent Thiele and other members of the ISD administration were present. The session ended at 6:32 p.m.

Please note: Because regular Issaquah School Board meetings are recorded and made available in their entirety, minutes will reflect board action/direction and general topic discussion only.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – 6:38 p.m.

In light of Governor Inslee's extension of the Open Public Meeting Act wavier, the board meeting was held remotely via Zoom. Board President Suzanne Weaver called the February 11, 2021 meeting of the Issaquah School Board to order in regular session at 6:38 p.m. Present along with Ms. Weaver were Board Directors Harlan Gallinger, Marnie Maraldo, Anne Moore, Sydne Mullings, Superintendent Ron Thiele and ISD Administrators.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Student Input – 6:39 p.m.

Simone St. Pierre Nelson – Senior, Gibson Ek
Kailee Rapkin – Senior, Gibson Ek

Public Input – 6:51 p.m.

- Jacob Walker, SHS junior. Concerns about remote learning
- Boyd Cottom – In support of ISD teachers
- Katelyn Shriber – Excited K-1 are back in-person
- Stephanie Browne – Requesting timeline for all grades to return in-person
- Cayley Byrne – EL-16 monitoring, would have preferred it earlier on the 1/28 agenda

Approval of Consent Agenda – 7:03 p.m.

Ms. Moore moved the consent agenda be approved as presented. Ms. Maraldo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The consent agenda items are as follows:

1. Presented for information only the Budget Status Report for November 2020, as presented;
2. Authorized the Superintendent to issue the Notice of Intent to Award a Contract for the Base Bid and selected Alternates and Notice to Proceed for the Maple Hills Elementary School Renovations and Addition project in an amount to be determined, as presented;
3. Adopted Resolution No. 1160 Request for a 3-Year waiver from the minimum on hundred eighty day school requirement of the Basic Education Program for the 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years, as presented;
4. Approved for payment General vouchers 411992 through 412461 in the total amount of \$2,332,646.04; Capital Projects vouchers 412109 through 412484 in the total amount of \$11,215,603.57; ASB vouchers 412125 through 412490 in the total amount of \$82,608.35; Payroll vouchers 188453 through 188530 in the total amount of \$3,275,128.04; Electronic Transfer – Payroll in the total amount of \$20,613,781.96; Electronic Transfer – Dept of Rev in the total amount of \$5,885.61; Electronic Transfer – GF AP in the total amount of \$7,782.71; Electronic Transfer – ASB AP in the total amount of \$ 135.85
5. Approved the following gifts/donations: 1) \$35,932.00 to be used for enrichment programs district wide, as presented;
6. Approved the minutes for the January 23 and 25 special board executive sessions and the January 28 regular board meeting, as presented;
7. Approved the Certified Employee Leaves of Absence (2021-2022), as presented;*
8. Approved the Certified Employee Resignations/Retirements/Terminations (2020-2021), as presented;*
9. Approved the Supplemental Contracts/Employment Agreements, as presented;*
10. Approved the Classified New Employee Contracts (2020-2021), as presented;*
11. Approved the agreement reached with the Public, Professional & Office – Clerical Employees and Drivers – Teamsters - Local #763, September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2022, as presented.

*personnel listings are available by clicking on the appropriate item on the [electronic agenda](#) for this meeting.

Establishment of the Agenda - 7:04 p.m.

No Changes

Summary of the Work Study– 8:04 p.m.

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Update on K-3 Return to In-Person Hybrid Learning for February 11, 2021 and the Impact on Remote Learning- 8:10 p.m.

Superintendent Thiele gave an update on the K-1 Return to In-Person Hybrid Learning, which began on February 11, 2021.

Public Input

Mary Segesta – K-1 is a good start, please continue bringing back all students.

Board discussion followed public input.

Update on 4-12 Return to In-Person Hybrid Learning - 8:15 p.m.

Superintendent Thiele gave an update on the 4-12 Return to In-Person Hybrid Learning, followed by Board discussion.

Public Input

Ruth Ann Walker – In favor of in-person learning

Nate Perea – announced follow-up seminar with Mead SD on February 25th at 7:00 pm

Jennifer Bland – concerns with changes to remote learning with start of in-person learning

Tony Harris – In favor of in-person learning

P. Keith – concerns about secondary students

Simone St. Pierre Nelson – sharing personal experience

Kailee Rapkin – as a senior, feels disappointed about missing milestone events

Update on students receiving Ds and Fs – 9:21 p.m.

The Administration presented data regarding secondary student receiving Ds and Fs in remote learning during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Public Input

Cayley Byrne – Concerns about equity in grading

Jacob Walker – Remote teaching is not meeting students' needs. Many students are failing.

Boundary Review Committee's Recommendation to the Superintendent – 9:55 p.m.

Superintendent Thiele accepted the Boundary Review Committee's recommendation for a revision of K-8 District boundaries to accommodate the anticipated opening of Elementary 16 and Middle School 6 in fall 2021.

Mr. Thiele thanked the Boundary Review Committee and their technical support team for their dedicated work in bringing the proposal forward.

Public Input

Ruth Ann Walker – concerns about declining enrollment and new schools

Carrie Miller – concerns about equity in boundary lines

District Budget Development Guidelines for 2021-22 - 10:39 p.m.

Ms. Maraldo moved the Board adopt the 2021-22 District Budget Development Guidelines, as presented. Ms. Moore seconded the motion and the motion passed with yes votes from Directors Moore, Mullings, Maraldo and Weaver with Dr. Gallinger abstaining.

Legislative Matters – 11:15 p.m.

Dr. Gallinger brought forward items regarding legislation as it pertains to education.

Works in Progress – 11:19 p.m.

Superintendent Thiele gave a brief report on current events in the ISD.

Announcements and Correspondence – 11:24 p.m.

This is a standing opportunity for the Board to share announcements and correspondence.

The Board has collectively received the following written communications addressed to the Board:

- H. Stipe Re: Board meeting protocol and communication
- C. Santodomingo Re: Black Lives Matter school board resolution
- M. Miller Re: Concerns about in-person learning
- M. Bankson Re: Timeline for return to in-person learning
- R. Wasisco Re: Support for in-person learning
- S. Harris Re: PPE support
- T. Vollmert Re: Support for in-person learning
- W. Gardner Re: Social media concerns
- L. Mangini Re: Support for in-person learning
- K. Crowe Re: Litigation
- L. Edwards Re: Litigation
- B. Heiminger Re: Support for in-person learning
- R. Vel Re: Concerns about remote learning
- C. Zacny Re: Concerns about in-person learning
- J. Burgard Re: K-3 in-person hybrid message
- L. Gacayan Re: Concerns about in-person learning
- B. Butler Re: Parent survey concerns
- Ali Khatibi Re: Concerns about in-person learning
- K. Shriber Re: Social media concerns
- R. Kim Re: EL-16 Equity, staffing, curriculum, SEL
- H. Coblentz Re: Equity, ParentWiser and PTSA
- R.J. Harris Re: Concerns about in-person learning
- Student Re: Support for in-person learning
- M. Stevens Re: Listening to public input
- M. Cheung Re: Concerns about in-person learning/large remote class size
- D. Graham Re: SAT Survey
- J. Kelly Re: Support for in-person learning
- R. Wasisco Re: Concerns about high school remote learning

- D. Carpenter Re: Support for in-person learning
- L. Mitchell Re: Specialist concerns, K-1
- C. Grabowski Re: Suggestion for survey question
- J. Mahlstedt Re: Support for in-person learning
- E. Miller Re: Support for in-person learning
- A. Passalaqua Re: Support for in-person learning
- C. Herbert Re: Support for in-person learning
- A. Mai Re: Concerns about in-person learning
- H. John Re: Support for in-person learning
- Student Re: Concerns about remote learning
- H. Erickson Re: Support for in-person learning (2)
- M. Bankson Re: Additional time to prepare for in-person learning
- M. Cheung Re: Hiring concerns
- W. Li Re: Support for remote learning
- R. Vel Re: Concerns in-person effect of remote learning
- B. Friedli Re: Concerns in-person effect of remote learning
- K. Mattson Re: Support for in-person learning
- A. Veevaert Re: Skyline theater performance announcement
- M. Cheung Re: Asynchronous specialist time
- J. Born Re: Class change concerns
- M. Nepsa Re: Concerns in-person effect of remote learning
- A. White Re: Concerns in-person effect of remote learning
- S. Riley Re: Support for MS athletics
- D. Cripe Re: Support for in-person learning
- K. Brown Re: Returning grades 4-12
- C. Tegeler Re: Returning grades 4-12
- D. Rataezyk Re: Returning grades 4-12
- M. Woller Re: Returning grades 4-12
- A. Shart Re: Returning grades 4-12
- A. Scott de martinville Re: Returning grades 4-12
- K. Hoetzel Re: Returning grades 4-12
- A. Ragazhinskaya Re: Returning grades 4-12
- S. Berg Re: Returning grades 4-12
- G. Yoo Re: Returning grades 4-12
- H. Erickson Re: Returning grades 4-12
- C. Pelgrum Re: Returning grades 4-12
- M. Mullen Re: Returning grades 4-12
- M. Hawkinson Re: Returning grades 4-12
- S. Eastern Re: Returning grades 4-12
- J. Heffner Re: UW journalism student seeking interview
- J. Gore Re: Returning grades 4-12
- M. Eng Re: Returning grades 4-12
- J. Gauthier Re: Returning grades 4-12
- K. Kropp Re: Returning grades 4-12
- E. McIntyre Re: Returning grades 4-12
- L. Nielsen Re: Returning grades 4-12

- B. Miller Re: Returning grades 4-12
- L. Mitchell Re: Concerns in-person effect of remote learning
- R. Brodsky Re: Timeline for returning to in-person learning, concerns
- T. Oliva Re: Returning grades 4-12
- D. Carpenter Re: Return to in-person learning
- D. Maloney Re: Returning grades 4-12
- S & E Johnsrud Re: Return high school to in-person
- M. McCraw Re: Returning grades 4-12
- A. Marquez Re: Returning grades 4-12
- D. Goldberg Re: Returning grades 4-12
- K. Kiefer Re: Returning grades 4-12
- W. Gardner Re: Communication
- B. Spann Re: Returning grades 4-12
- H. Erickson Re: Response from WEA
- F. Wilcox Re: Non-equitable learning for remote students
- C. Fernando Re: Concerns about remote learning
- L. Buis Re: Returning grades 4-12
- R. Shea Re: Asynchronous specialists for in-person learning
- C. Grabowski Re: Returning grades 4-12
- A. Hutchison Re: Returning grades 4-12
- L. Ni Re: Class size for remote during hybrid in-person
- A. Hammingh Re: Returning grades 4-12
- M. Mullen Re: Seeking update on vaccines
- H. Miller Re: Returning grades 4-12
- G. Warren Re: Returning grades 4-12
- C. Grabowski Re: Testimonials from IHS students
- R. Vel Re: Concerns about remote learning
- K. Shriber Re: Returning grades 4-12
- M. Fitzgerald Re: Returning grades 4-12
- L. Mitchell Re: N95 Mask Supply
- N. Lantzy Re: Returning grades 4-12
- M. Richardson Re: Returning grades 4-12
- K. Boyd Re: ISD reopening plan
- M. King Re: Returning grades 4-12
- K. Hostetler Re: Returning students
- S. Syms Re: Returning grades 4-12
- V. Buck Re: Safe return for middle school
- E. Malone Re: Returning grades K-12
- L. Rodriguez Re: ISD Board
- M. Brinkerhoff Re: Music in ISD
- L. Glasgow Re: Proposed boundaries
- Hetu Re: Proposed boundaries
- C. Boyd Re: Remote learning suffering after hybrid in-person
- J. Menold Re: Proposed boundaries
- J. Schaar Re: PPE for school staff
- A. Bartholomaus Re: Remote learning suffering after hybrid in-person

- J. Harrington Re: Returning grades 4-12
- C. Liddle Re: Return for high school students
- S. Wengreen Re: Return for secondary students
- K. Magus Re: Return for secondary students
- B. Sullivan Re: Fall 2021 timeline
- R. Wasisco Re: Return for secondary students
- C. Grabowski Re: Return for secondary students
- C. Little Re: Thank you from 1st grade family
- S. Fong Re: Return grades 4-12
- N. Perea Re: FERPA
- I. Showecker Re: Remote classes too large after hybrid in-person
- D. Spann Re: In person learning
- L. Flores Re: Return grades 4-12
- D. Spann Re: Union negotiations
- Multiple emails from City of Issaquah regarding meetings

Correspondence sent to individual Board members are reported as follows:

- J. Scott Re: Elementary remote learning
- L. Gaffney Re: Letter of gratitude
- J. Davis Re: Letter of gratitude and concerns
- R. Brodsky Re: Concerns about class size during remote learning
- J. Mull Re: Support for in-person learning
- C. Miller Re: Equity and new school boundaries
- S. Roy Re: Equity conversation
- Unsigned Re: K-1 Remote
- A. Miller Re: K-1 Specialists
- J. Uronis Re: K-1 Specialists
- D. Goldberg Re: Private school classes & GPA
- R. Brodsky Re: Remote learning
- C. Miller Re: Equity in reboundary
- D. Clemmons Re: School re-opening
- J. Scott Re: K-1 Specialists
- P. Koskalinina Re: Board meeting comments
- M. Nixon Re: Board meeting comments
- C. Grabowski Re: Board meeting comments
- A. Cast, B. Swain, C. Sage, C. Chew, F. Wiest, D. Lurie – Work of East King County School Board Group

Ms. Maraldo announced that she spoke in a Facebook page forum, sharing her ideas about returning to in person learning.

Issaquah City Council leadership. In the future, the City would like to have a public meeting regarding School Resource Officers.

Calendar and Future Agenda Items – 11:27 p.m.

Directors Moore and Weaver plan to hold a running for board member forum sometime in late April.

March 2 Special Board Meeting

The Board discussed additional meetings and **Ms. Moore moved the Board hold a Special Board meeting on Tuesday, March 2 at 5:00 p.m.** Ms. Maraldo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

11:45 p.m.

Executive Session

At 11:45 p.m., the Board resumed their Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140 related to collective bargaining. Superintendent Thiele and ISD administrators were in attendance. Executive Sessions are not open to the public and no action was taken. The session adjourned at 1:14 a.m.

These minutes were approved as presented during the March 11, 2021 board meeting.