Executive Session
At 5:00 p.m. the Board went into Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 to consider legal matters. Along with the Board, Superintendent Ron Thiele, Attorney Charles Leitch and ISD Administrators were in attendance. Executive Sessions are not open to the public and no action was taken. The session was extended a total of 20 minutes and the session ended at 5:40 p.m. Dr. Gallinger was not present.

Executive Session
At 5:40 p.m., the Board into Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140 related to collective bargaining. ISD administrators were in attendance. Executive Sessions are not open to the public and no action was taken. The session ended at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Gallinger was not present.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – 6:42 p.m.
Board President Suzanne Weaver called the March 25, 2021 meeting of the Issaquah School Board to order in regular session in the boardroom of the Administration Service Center at 6:42 p.m. Present along with Ms. Weaver were Board Directors Harlan Gallinger, Marnie Maraldo, Anne Moore and Sydne Mullings, Superintendent Ron Thiele and ISD Administrators.

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The pledge of allegiance was recited. Dr. Gallinger had been working at the ISD Vaccine Center and arrived at 6:46 p.m.

Student Input – 6:44 p.m.
Simone St. Pierre Nelson, Senior at Gibson Ek

Public Input – 6:46 p.m.
Superintendent Thiele acknowledged World Autism Day and Autism Awareness Month beginning April 1st.

Mr. Thiele then bid farewell to Ms. Lisa Hechtman, Assistant Superintendent, thanking her for her service as HR Exec Director, Principal of Skyline High School, and most recently as our COVID-19 coordinator.

Other public input
Doug Crandall Re: How important it is to get kids back in school
Kimberly Brown Re: Bargaining with IEA
Keri Keifer Re: IHS, school sports and COVID-19
Cayley Byrne Re: Not comfortable coming back to in-person learning so quickly

Approval of Consent Agenda – 7:02 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 December 2020, as presented;
2. Accepted the 2020-2021 OSPI Asset Preservation Program Rating Report for Endeavour and Creekside Elementary Schools, Pacific Cascade and Beaver Lake Middle Schools and Skyline High School, as presented;
3. Approved the Maple Hills Renovations & Additions Change Order #1 from Cornerstone General Contractor, in the amount of $614,238.15 plus $62,038.05 WSST for a total of $676,276.20, as presented;
4. Approved the Liberty HS Stadium Improvement Change Order #3 from James Company, in the amount of $10,703.44 plus $1,081.05 WSST for a total of $11,784.40, as presented;
5. Approved the Middle School #6 Change Order #7 from Cornerstone General Contractors, Inc., in the amount of $664,159.85 plus $67,080.14 WSST for a total of $731,239.00, as prepared;
6. Approved the Request for a Storm Water Drainage Easement at Discovery Elementary School, as prepared;
7. Approved the minutes for the March 11 regular board meeting, as presented;
8. Approved the Certified Employee Leaves of Absence (2021-2022), as presented;*
9. Approved the Certified Employee Resignations/Retirements/Terminations (2020-2021), as presented;*
10. Approved the Supplemental Contracts/Employment Agreements, as presented;*
11. Approved the Classified New Employee Contracts (2020-2021), as presented;*
12. Approved the Classified Resignations (2020-2021), as presented;*

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

Establishment of the Agenda - 7:03 p.m.
No Changes

Education Update – 7:04 p.m.
The Board and Administration discussed education in the ISD with a focus on spring 2021.

Public Input
Jen Davis Re: Challenges teaching in-person and remote
Heidi Erickson Re: In favor of in-person learning
Melia Wilkinson Re: Consider safety first
Camile Wright Re: Concerns about in-person timeline
Mary McGuire Brown Re: In favor on in-person learning
Marcelle Waldman Re: Concerns about in-person learning
Naming Elementary 16 and Middle School 6 – 8:16 p.m.
Ms. Moore moved the Board accept the name Cedar Trails for Elementary 16 and Cougar Mountain for Middle School 6. Dr. Gallinger seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The board clarified that they definitely wanted Cedar Trails to be plural.

The Board voted for school mascots during their March 11 meeting, with wolves selected for E-16 and falcons for MS-6. The Board is not required to select colors and on March 11 Principals McKee and Coyle presented the new school colors to the Board: navy blue & sage green selected for E-16 and blue & gold for MS-6.

After the vote, Mr. Kuper, CFO came forward to thank the board and thank the bond committee and community for all of their support.

EL-14 Instructional Program monitoring report – 8:28 p.m.
Ms. Moore moved the Board accept the monitoring report for EL-14 Instructional Program, as presented. Ms. Maraldo seconded the motion

Prior to the vote, Superintendent Thiele along with Rich Mellish, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, presented the EL-14 Instructional Program monitoring report.

This report was originally presented during the March 11 board meeting and now includes revisions with an acknowledgment that the ISD was not able to provide the same level and evenness of instruction as normal due to the pandemic. The monitoring report was presented with two exceptions to the Superintendent’s certification and passed as presented.

E-3 Civic Engagement monitoring report – 8:45 p.m.
Ms. Moore moved the Board accept the monitoring report for E-3 Civic Engagement, as presented. Ms. Maraldo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Board Policy EL-2 Treatment of People and EL 12 Learning Environment, Treatment of Students – 9:17 p.m.

The Board conducted a “second read” with their proposed policy revisions with action anticipated at the April 22, 2021 regular board meeting. This new policy will not be monitored until April, 2022 (monitoring the 2020-21 school year).

Public Input
Cayle Byrne Re: Would like the opportunity for staff to give input on the policies

Legislative Matters - 9:34 p.m.
Dr. Gallinger brought forward items regarding legislation as it pertains to education.

Works in Progress - 9:50 p.m.
Superintendent Thiele gave a brief report on current events in the ISD.
Announcements and Correspondence – 9:53 p.m.
This is a standing opportunity for the Board to share announcements and correspondence.

This list reflects correspondence collectively sent to the Board since the last board meeting.

- L. Springborn Re: PD for teachers
- M. Bischof Re: Students with disabilities need your help now
- H. Erickson Re: Board meeting feedback
- H. Erickson Re: Teacher Zoom location during school hours
- M. Corlett Re: Thoughts about live-streaming
- M. Gage Re: Students with disabilities need your help now
- K. Greene Re: Students need to be in-person now
- B. Carbanatto Re: Students need to be in-person now
- L. Mitchell Re: Concerns remote will suffer with hybrid option
- L. Mitchell Re: Enjoyed music presentation at board meeting
- T. Hunter Re: Gov. Inslee’s order and students with special needs
- M. Segesta Re: Gov. Inslee’s order – return all students promptly
- A. Potter Re: Teacher’s tech needs in the classrooms
- F. Wilcox Re: Thank you and plea for specialists to be in-person
- D. Barnett Re: School start times
- K. Flett Re: Concerns about divided community
- A. King Re: Supporting the AAPI community
- L. Springborn Re: Computer screens for in-person students
- J. Lantz Re: Concerns about live-streaming classrooms
- J. Wilensky Re: Concerns about live-streaming classrooms
- M. Segesta Re: Requesting communication on bargaining sessions
- C. Spahn Re: New rules should allow for more students in-person
- J. Weed Re: Equity and technology in classrooms
- L. Grant Re: Concerns about secondary in-person timeline
- C. Boas Re: Concerns about secondary in-person timeline
- L. Voorhees Re: Questions about 6-12 return to school survey
- S. Doran Re: Concerns about secondary in-person timeline
- J. Godley Re: Concerns about secondary in-person timeline
- M. Segesta Re: Freshman orientation
- M. Stevens Re: YouTube video – SHS
- M. Peterson Re: Concerns about secondary in-person
- L. Scott Re: Districtwide baking competition
- H. McNary Re: Lack of educational equity
- J. Binks Re: Equity concerns
- M. Gage Re: Autism Awareness Month
- S. Yi Re: School boundaries
- A. Zhang Re: School boundaries
- B. Wax Re: Support for in-person learning
- C. Tan Re: School boundaries
- S. Yan Re: School boundaries
- L. Xiaojin Re: School boundaries
- Shamitha Re: School boundaries
• J. Shen Re: School boundaries
• L. Liang Re: School boundaries
• J. Xuan Re: School boundaries
• L. Zhao Re: School boundaries
• J. Bai Re: School boundaries
• Sharon Re: School boundaries
• S. Dan Re: School boundaries
• Y. Ni Re: School boundaries
• D. Franklin Re: School boundaries
• F. Wilcox Re: Recording live sessions
• H. Erickson Re: 3’ vs 6’ physical distancing rule
• M. Iyer Re: Thank you
• A. Currie Re: 3’ vs 6’ physical distancing rule
• A. Burge Re: COVID testing
• B. Braniff Re: 3’ vs 6’ physical distancing rule
• J. Harrington Re: 3’ vs 6’ physical distancing rule
• C. Grabowski Re: 3’ vs 6’ physical distancing rule
• T. Olivia Re: 3’ vs 6’ physical distancing rule
• Salina Re: 3’ vs 6’ physical distancing rule
• R. Wasisco Re: 3’ vs 6’ physical distancing rule
• K. Burris Re: The Governor has made it clear
• E. Klein Re: The Governor has made it clear
• K. Byus Re: The Governor has made it clear
• B. Kirkpatrick Re: The Governor has made it clear
• J. Molumby Re: The Governor has made it clear
• D. Crandall Re: Prioritizing kids
• E. Miller Re: The Governor has made it clear
• K. Hoetzel Re: The Governor has made it clear
• E. Garber Re: The Governor has made it clear
• B. Spann Re: The Governor has made it clear
• L. Gustin Re: The Governor has made it clear
• L. Nielsen Re: The Governor has made it clear
• J. Gaines Re: The Governor has made it clear
• M. Eng Re: The Governor has made it clear
• T. Slettvet Re: The Governor has made it clear
• M. King Re: The Governor has made it clear
• A. Miller Re: The Governor has made it clear
• M. Dye Re: The Governor has made it clear
• S. Fong Re: The Governor has made it clear
• K. Kiefer Re: The Governor has made it clear
• M. & J. Yoo Re: Remote learning at Sunset Elem
• Multiple emails from City of Issaquah regarding meetings
Correspondence sent to individual Board members are reported as follows:

- B. Cochrun  Re: Concerns about inappropriate Zoom Calls
- R. Oberlander  Re: Secondary hybrid learning details

Calendar and Future Agenda Items – 9:53 p.m.

School Year Calendar
Ms. Moore moved the Board adopt the schedule of board meetings for the 2021-2022 school year, with a change from November 10th to November 9th. Ms. Maraldo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Special Board Meeting
Ms. Moore moved the Board hold a Special Meeting on April 14 at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Maraldo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Board Retreat
Ms. Moore moved the Board schedule a Retreat on April 28 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Administration Service Center. Ms. Maraldo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Evaluation
Ms. Moore moved the Board schedule two Special Meetings for the annual Superintendent evaluation on May 6 and June 3 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on both days at the residence of Suzanne Weaver. Ms. Maraldo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment:
10:04 p.m.

These minutes were approved as presented during the April 22, 2021 board meeting.