

Executive Session

At 5:00 p.m., the Board went into an Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 related to personnel matters. Executive Sessions are not open to the public and no action was taken. The session was extended 30 minutes and ended at 6:30 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 – 6:32 p.m.

Board President Suzanne Weaver called the September 9, 2021 meeting of the Issaquah School Board to order in regular session in the boardroom of the Administration Service Center at 6:32 p.m. Present along with Ms. Weaver were Board Directors Dr. Gallinger, Marnie Maraldo, Anne Moore, Sydne Mullings and Superintendent Ron Thiele and ISD Administrators.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public Input – 6:33 p.m.

Sara Woody

Re: Support of COVID-19 testing in schools

Approval of Consent Agenda – 6:37 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. Accepted the Monitoring Report EL–7, Emergency Superintendent Succession, as presented;
2. Adopt Resolution Number 1170 as presented authorizing the increase of the Food Service Petty Cash, and provide Petty Cash for Cougar Mountain Middle School, and Cedar Trails Elementary School, to meet immediate demands, as presented;
3. Approved the 2021-22 BEA compliance report, as presented;
4. Approved for payment General vouchers 416474 through 416992 in the total amount of \$2,513,791.70; Capital Projects vouchers 416575 through 417020 in the total amount of \$6,342,057.19; ASB vouchers 416605 through 417030 in the total amount of \$109,231.86; Payroll vouchers 189032 through 189109 in the total amount of \$3,203,767.44; Electronic Transfer – Payroll in the total amount of \$20,185,195.11; Electronic Transfer – Dept. of Rev in the total amount of \$30,107.75; Electronic Transfer – GF AP in the total amount of \$10,371.43; Electronic Transfer – CPF AP \$1,634.55; Electronic Transfer – ASB AP in the total amount of \$1,353.93;
5. Approved the minutes for the August 26 regular board meeting, as presented;
6. Approved the Certificated Employee Contracts (2021-2022), as presented;*
7. Approved the Certificate Leaves of Absence (2021-2022), as presented;*
8. Approved the Certified Employee Resignations/Retirements/Nonrenewals (2020-2021), as presented;*
9. Approved the Supplemental Contracts/Employment Agreements, as presented;*
10. Approved the Classified New Employee Contracts (2021-2022), as presented;*

11. Approved the Classified Leaves of Absence (2021-2022), as presented;*
12. Approved the Classified Resignations (2021-2022), as presented;*

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

Establishment of the Agenda – 6:37 p.m.

No Changes

First Week of School Review – 6:38 p.m.

Superintendent Thiele spoke about the first week of school including the joys as well as the challenges. Administrative Cabinet members also came forward to share on subjects including COVID-19 testing, Special Services, student enrollment and class size, food service, continuity of services in the event of a school closure and bus transportation. Presentation was followed by Board questions and discussion.

Public Input

Marina Subbaiah

Re: Close contact and quarantine

Discussion on the Possibility of Levies in 2022 – 8:45 p.m.

Superintendent Thiele gave a history of recent levies and their positive outcomes. Board discussion followed. The timing of bringing levies to the ballot was discussed and the February 2022 election date was not chosen. It is anticipated the Board will continue their discussion during the September 21 meeting.

Legislative Matters – 9:52 p.m.

Dr. Gallinger brought forward items regarding legislation as they pertain to education. He mentioned that a letter regarding the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) might be discussed at the next meeting.

Works in Progress – 9:52 p.m.

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

Announcements and Correspondence – 9:56 p.m.

Collectively, the Board received the following correspondence since the last board meeting:

- Yahna Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- L. McGlocklin Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- Owens Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- E. Chao Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- S. Heacock Re: Return to school concerns
- J. Borga Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- T. Slosson Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- M. Lucas Re: J. Kuper Facebook post

- H. Level Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- S. Ferguson Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- K. Sayers Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- J. Aguirre Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- C. Henslin Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- K. Magus Re: Covid-19 protocol concerns
- D. Knoll Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- S. and H. Hopla Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- C. Schumann Re: Covid-19 protocol concerns
- P. Raghu Re: 2021-22 school year
- J. Hoke Re: Safety protocols
- M. Litchfield Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- E. Freet Re: Covid-19 testing in ISD
- T. Hong Re: Covid-19 testing in ISD
- H. Zacny Re: Covid-19 testing in ISD
- S. Salvador Re: Ventilation in schools
- C. Musick Re: Window not open on bus
- K. Boyd Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- T. Marshall Re: Mandated teacher vaccines
- C. Rosen Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- L. Voorhees Re: Definition of close contact
- T. Russell Re: Middle school Covid-19 protocols
- M. Wilkinson Re: Class size
- H. Zacny Re: School lunch time
- N. Rich Re: Bus concerns
- T. Woody Re: Bus concerns
- M. Waldman Re: Bus concerns
- T. Hintz Re: Bus concerns
- S. Woody Re: Covid-19 screening/testing
- Passalacqua Re: Curriculum night concerns
- E. Gunn Re: Covid-19 screening/testing
- Bab Re: J. Kuper Facebook post and Covid-19 protocols
- J. Tanner Re: Band at LHS
- K. Magus Re: Curriculum night concerns
- K. Magus Re: Laptops for high school
- J. Hughes Re: Bus concerns
- J. Born Re: Covid-19 testing in schools
- J. Marquardt Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- L. Watson Re: Covid-19 concerns
- M. Waldman Re: Mercer Is SD community talk - webinar
- J. Aguirre Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- V. Buck Re: Covid-19 dashboard improvement suggestions
- J.A. Aguirre Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- M. Wickenheiser Re: Class size
- M. Wickenheiser Re: Inclusive Practices
- M. Wickenheiser Re: Staffing

- H. Khumalo Re: J. Kuper Facebook post
- M. Barry Re: Education around 9/11
- Sea to Sky Realty Re: Checking on school boundary
- A. Obaidi Re: Fall 2021 remote options
- G. Kostkowski Re: Middle school concerns
- S. Salvador Re: Covid-19 testing
- C. Pittman Re: LHS student parking in neighborhoods
- B. Braniff Re: Thank you and offering to volunteer
- K. Flynn Re: Levy

Individual Board Directors have receive the following correspondence since the last board meeting:

- S. Hoki Re: ISD HVAC systems
- T. Smith-Fleischman Re: Concerns about in-school learning

Calendar and Future Agenda Items – 9:58 p.m.

Boards of Distinction

The Board discussed their progress on the WSSDA Boards of Distinction application.

Board Town Hall

9/30, 7 to 8:30 p.m., location to be decided. Director Moore will not be able to attend.

Board Secondary Teacher Listening Session – IHS, CMMS, IMS, PCMS

9/29, 8 to 9:30 a.m. in the IMS Library

Board Elementary Teacher Listening Sessions

Will be calendared during a later meeting. The Board would like to consider dates between January and mid-winter break.

School Improvement Plan meetings

Ms. Moore moved the Board hold three School Improvement (SIP) meetings; Wednesday March 2, Wednesday March 16 and Wednesday March 30, all from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Ms. Maraldo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment: 10:41 p.m.

These minutes were approved as presented during the September 21, 2021 board meeting.