

**Washougal School District 112-6  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, June 8, 2021**

**Regular Meeting, 6:30 p.m.**

**Online Zoom Meeting**

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**PRESENT:** Cory Chase, Board Director; Donna Sinclair, Board Director; Jim Cooper, Board Director; Renae McMurray, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning; Aaron Hansen, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Student Services; and Mary Templeton, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board. The absences of Board Directors Angela Hancock and Chuck Carpenter were pre-arranged.

**1. Opening Items - Regular Meeting, 6:30 p.m.**

**A. Call to Order, Regular Meeting**

Cory Chase called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

**B. Agenda Revisions**

None.

**C. Comments - Board of Directors**

Donna Sinclair gave her thanks for the Hearts of Glass viewing and the board site visit to Washougal Learning Academy (WLA). Donna also shared that all Washougal and Camas teachers were honored at the recent Chamber of Commerce Teacher of the Year banquet, and commended them all for keeping kids safe while they are learning. Donna also said she is pleased with the community support, we need to talk and listen, not just rely on social media and the deliberate and concerted efforts at misinformation.

Jim Cooper thanked Jason Foster at WLA for the great site visit, and thanked Renae McMurray for arranging the visits. Jim gave his congratulations to the graduating seniors, and commended them for their hard work throughout this last year and half of unusual circumstances.

Cory Chase recognized the graduating class of 2021, and said he was glad we were able to host an in-person ceremony, it was top of his priority list. Cory thanked everyone for their patience and resiliency, and said everyone should be proud of their accomplishments.

**D. Superintendent's Update**

Superintendent Mary Templeton thanked all citizens for their help this year, and shared that teachers are our heroes. Mary shared there are many senior activities coming up, including the senior parade on Friday and graduation on Saturday.

Assistant Superintendent Aaron Hansen thanked labor groups for their flexibility and creativity during the pandemic. The district has met with both WAE and PSE often this year. Aaron also thanked parents for their ongoing support and endurance.

Assistant Superintendent Renae McMurray thanked the board for attending the site visits, and knows it isn't easy to take a half day to see all those sessions. Renae congratulated the Class of 2021 and said she is looking forward to the in-person graduation ceremony on Saturday. Renae highlighted the new childcare program starting next year, called Right at School, as well as the recent Spanish Speaking Family outreach event at Hamlik Park.

**E. Citizen Comments - General**

Wendi Moose joined the zoom meeting and shared her support for the district's statement on equity and racism. She added that the only disruption is those speaking out against it, and the backlash points out how desperately we need this.

Rebecca Keith joined the zoom meeting and offered her support of the equity statement. She said she is proud to be part of a community taking a stand to offer the best opportunities for everyone to achieve their full potential.

Robert Namba joined the zoom meeting and shared he has two students at Washougal High School, and supports the diversity, equity and inclusion work. He shared that as a Japanese American, he is no stranger to racism, and fully supports teaching full history and critical thinking to end racism once and for all.

Lisa Young, district staff, joined the zoom meeting and shared that the SPACE childcare program will be terminated at the end of the school year, and staff was notified by email with no notice. She shared the staff are heroes who served students throughout the pandemic, and they will be sorely missed.

Melissa McIlwain, district parent, joined the zoom meeting and said Donna mentioned that parents should be talking, but they can't when meetings are cancelled and criminal charges are brought. She also shared about Fauci emails, no hate crimes in Washougal, and that parents are constantly trying to communicate, but no one is reaching across.

Peter Kelly, district parent, submitted written comment expressing his strong support of the district's equity statement and for the work the school board has been doing to build an accepting, safe, and equitable environment for all students and staff in the WSD. He shared that he has been profoundly disappointed and saddened by the recent protests against these efforts.

Logan Boydell submitted written comment, sharing that there is nothing wrong with the district meeting the needs of students that have different backgrounds and educational challenges, but treating groups of people differently solely on federally protected classes is always wrong. He continued to say that to deny Critical Race Theory is the framework from which the WSD Equity Policy is crafted is disingenuous, and to deny that Critical Race Theory is not in itself racist is duplicitous.

Margaret Tweet submitted written comment, sharing that the district hosted and invited students and the public to vaccine clinics without sharing the status of the products that are not FDA approved or licensed. Margaret provided several pages of information and links.

An anonymous patron submitted written comment sharing that as a Latina in this community, she thanks the board for making such a powerful equity statement and striving to help all students and families feel seen, respected, and wanted. She also said that just because many who oppose the statement are loud, they are not the majority, and her family is grateful for the careful consideration.

## **2. Consent Agenda**

Board members received and reviewed these documents in advance of the meeting.

### **A. Minutes (May 25, 2021)**

### **B. Accounts Payable**

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 this date the board, by a unanimous vote, does approve for payment those vouchers included in the below list and further described as follows:

#### General Fund

Warrant Numbers 246394-246408, totaling \$26,884.39; Voids/Cancellations, totaling \$162.51 (Pay date: 5-21-21)

Warrant Numbers 246421-246465, totaling \$139,931.96 (Pay date: 6-4-21)

Warrant Numbers 246466-246466, totaling \$2,289.41 (Pay date: 6-4-21)

Warrant Numbers 246467-246468, totaling \$103,490.77 (Pay date: 6-11-21)

Manual Checks #53 totaling \$58,893.67 5-10-21 (Pay date: 5-10-21)

ACH Numbers 202100173-202100177, totaling \$12,489.48 (Pay date: 6-4-21)

#### ASB Fund

Warrant Numbers 24472-24473, totaling \$5,893.92 (Pay date: 6-4-21)

Manual Checks #53, totaling \$303.19 (Pay date: 5-10-21)

### C. Payroll (May 2021)

#### General Fund (\$3,337,020.66)

Warrant Numbers 1000733-1000737, totaling \$3,596.50 (Pay date: 5-28-21)

Warrant Numbers 246409-246420, totaling \$601,980.67 (Pay date: 5-28-21)

ACH Numbers 202100171-202100172, totaling \$20,900.42 (Pay date: 5-28-21)

Non-Warrants, totaling \$2,710,547.07 (Pay date: 5-28-21)

### D. Personnel

#### Appointments:

Brent Mansell, Basketball Coach, WHS, effective 5/3/21 - 6/10/21

Elise Piet, Teacher, WHS, effective 8/16/21

Jered Barker, Teacher, WHS, effective 8/16/21

Kristin Maris, Teacher, WHS, effective 8/16/21

Colten Fox, Teacher, JMS, effective 8/16/21

Carley Trumbower, Teacher, JMS, effective 8/16/21 - 6/15/22

Kieandra Koch, Teacher, JMS, effective 8/16/21

Michael Isotalo, Teacher, JMS, effective 8/16/21  
Sara Arnold, Teacher, CRGE, effective 8/16/21  
Jennifer Perry, Teacher, HES, effective 8/16/21

Resignations:

Arturo Austin-Garza, Para, WHS, effective 5/4/21  
Jana Fanning, Teacher, CRGE, effective 8/13/21  
Shane Jundt, Soccer Coach (Boys & Girls), WHS, effective 5/19/21

Retirements:

Sandra Alcantara, Bus Driver, BB, effective 7/1/21

Leaves of Absence:

Sean Elkinton, Tech Support Asst, DO, effective 8/31/21-6/30/22

**E. Contracts**

**F. Approval of Consent Agenda**

Donna Sinclair moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, and Jim Cooper seconded. The board voted by roll-call vote as follows: Chase, aye; Sinclair, aye; Cooper, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

**3. Informational Presentations**

**A. Budget Presentation: ASB, Capital Projects, Debt Service, Transportation Vehicle Fund**

Business Services Director Kris Grindy presented an overview of the ASB, Capital Projects, Debt Service, and Transportation Vehicle Funds. Kris will give an overview of the General Fund at the next board meeting.

**4. Proposals for Action & Comments**

**A. Citizen Comments Specific to Action Items Below**

None.

**B. Approval of 2021-22 Board Meeting Calendar**

Cory Chase moved to approve the 2021-22 Board Meeting Calendar as presented, and Donna Sinclair seconded. The board voted by roll-call vote as follows: Chase, aye; Sinclair, aye; Cooper, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

**C. Resolution 2020-21-05: Declaration of Surplus**

Cory Chase moved to approve Resolution 2020-21-05: Declaration of Surplus as presented, and Donna Sinclair seconded. The board voted by roll-call vote as follows: Chase, aye; Sinclair, aye; Cooper, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

**D. Resolution 2020-21-06: Declaration of Surplus**

Cory Chase moved to approve Resolution 2020-21-06: Declaration of Surplus as presented, and Donna Sinclair seconded. The board voted by roll-call vote as follows: Chase, aye; Sinclair, aye; Cooper, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

**5. Policy Revision, third reading and approval**

**A. Citizen Comments Specific to Action Items Below**

None.

**B. Policy 0050 - Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion**

Donna Sinclair said she wanted to make it clear that a policy is a statement of beliefs, and a procedure document is what is enacted. She said the process may be confusing, but that many people have weighed in on it, and that this is not a curriculum. Cory Chase said he has always been a strong proponent of local control, and many things are micromanaged by the state. This process has been an example of a good, transparent process with collaboration with community members. Jim Cooper said he was glad for the third reading, and it has simplified and clarified the statement of principles.

Donna Sinclair moved to approve Policy 0050 - Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion as presented, and Jim Cooper seconded. The board voted by roll-call vote as follows: Chase, aye; Sinclair, aye; Cooper, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

**6. Policy Governance**

**A. Executive Responsibility 13 - Instructional Program**

Assistant Superintendent Renae McMurray presented Executive Responsibility 13 - Instructional Program. Highlights included: learning models, curriculum, AP offerings, and professional learning.

**7. Future Agenda Items**

None.

**8. Adjourn**

Donna Sinclair moved to adjourn at 8:08 p.m., and Cory Chase seconded. The board voted by roll-call vote as follows: Chase, aye; Sinclair, aye; Cooper, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

**Dated this 22nd day of June 2021**

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**President**

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**Secretary to the Board**