

Washougal School District 112-6
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 13, 2025

Special Meeting & Work Session 6:30 p.m.
District Office & Online Zoom meeting
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PRESENT: Sadie McKenzie, Board Director; Chuck Carpenter, Board Director; Ida Royer, Board Director; Jane Long, Board Director, and Aaron Hansen, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board. The absence of Board Director Jim Cooper was excused.

1. Opening Items - Special Meeting

A. Call to order, Special Meeting - Pledge of Allegiance

Sadie McKenzie called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

B. Approval of Washougal High School Roofing Contracts

The board was given an update on the bids received and was asked to approve a contract for Carlson Roofing. They discussed, asked questions and made comments.

Chuck Carpenter moved to approve the contract, and Ida Royer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Citizen Comment

None.

2. Work Session, 6:30 p.m.

A. Student Representatives

Student Reps Gracie Perkins and Riley Vaughn were in attendance and shared activities happening at the high school including the spring play, prom and graduation just around the corner. Gracie said it is a smaller group of students involved in the play, but it has been a great experience. Riley said prom was about a week and a half ago and it was a lot of fun and the venue was really nice. They are looking at having some more events to keep students engaged and keep energy up as the school year winds down. They said they are looking forward to graduation and Riley said it's a little bittersweet so she's looking to enjoy and embrace every day. The only challenge they expressed was just finishing strong and not just getting through the last few weeks.

B. Board & Superintendent Update

Chuck Carpenter mentioned that there is a band event tomorrow night at JMS at 6:00 featuring all the bands in the district.

Jane Long mentioned that her family is looking forward to the Stride.

Ida Royer shared that last week was teacher appreciation week and as a parent it was nice to have the opportunity to "shout-out" in appreciation of teachers. She also attended an estuary project meeting at work and they talked about the Gibbons Creek Restoration project which is cool because it's right in our backyard.

Sadie McKenzie said she's super excited for the Stride and volunteers are still welcome. She was able to help with Teacher Appreciation Week at JMS and the new staff room/wellness room is so great and the teachers are very appreciative.

Superintendent Hansen shared an update that included teacher appreciation week activities and shout-outs to our teachers; CRGE, Gause, and Hathaway being recognized for the 2023-24 Washington State School Recognition Program for various growth areas at each school; and the recently completed OSPI Program Review which received Exemplar Recognition. He celebrated William Baur, WHS science teacher, who was named a finalist for a National Teaching Award, a grant from the Clark County unit of the Washington State School Retirees Association which allowed a 2nd grade class at CRGE to get Time For Kids magazine in the classroom. Cape artists drew pictures of monsters and CCMS art students made their drawings into an actual stuffed representation of their monster. He mentioned the Jostens Renaissance Global Conference in which two WHS students will be presenting. Mackenzie Olkowski will be the student keynote speaker and Riley Vaughn will be a breakout session facilitator. David Duarte is collaborating with the Washougal Songcraft Foundation to bring professional artists into the classrooms. He gave an update on the WSD Strategic Planning Committee meetings.

C. Certified Appreciation

Superintendent Hansen thanked our teachers for all they do and presented a small token of appreciation to the WAE leadership in attendance.

D. Capital Projects Update

Director of Technology, Communications and Operations Les Brown and Facilities and Grounds Supervisor Jessica Beehner gave the board an update on the projects that are slated to be started soon including the boiler replacement project, HVAC systems controls, security systems and ADA door systems, WHS roof, and flooring replacement at Gause and Hathaway.

E. Annual CTE Update

Director of CTE and Culinary Services Margaret Rice provided her annual CTE Update on a variety of areas such as effective instruction, current courses and pathways, college and career readiness, dual credit, equity, engagement, and partnerships as well as industry recognized certifications. New events that are exciting include the 13th Year Event which is a speed networking event and the Forklift Simulator and Certification program. She provided the board with a 4-year strategic plan so they can see the CTE Department's progress towards goal achievement from year to year. Margaret highlighted some of this information and answered questions.

F. Resolution 2024-25-08: Turf Transfer, first reading

The District initiates a \$50,000 transfer from the general fund to the capital projects fund for turf each year in order to build capacity in the capital projects fund for the known turf replacement need at WHS. This transfer was not included in the 2024-2025 budget resolution, where it is typically approved. Due to availability of funds to do the annual transfer, the District is now asking for approval of the turf transfer. The resolution will be brought back at the May 27th meeting for approval.

G. Proposed 2025-26 Board Meeting Schedules, first reading

Proposals for the 2025-26 Board Meeting Calendar and School Improvement Plans were included in the packet and will be brought back to the May 27th business meeting for approval.

H. 2025-26 Listening Tour & Site Visit Discussion

Proposals for 2025-26 Listening Tours and Site Visitations were discussed.

I. Executive Responsibility 13 - Instructional Program

There were no questions or discussion.

J. Executive Responsibility 14 - Instructional Materials Selection

The board asked questions and discussed.

K. Policy 6000 Series Review, first reading

Finance Manager Shelese McConnell reviewed all policies in the 6000 series. There are 5 that need to be added and 16 that require revisions. The 6000 series of board policies address management support, including finance, purchasing, food services, transportation, technology, and facilities. We are updating the entire series at once to ensure alignment with current laws and best practices, and to efficiently maintain consistency across related operational areas. The board made comments and asked questions. The series will be brought back for approval at the May 27th meeting.

3. Adjourn

Jane Long moved to adjourn at 8:06 p.m., and Ida Royer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Dated this 27th day of May, 2025

President

Secretary to the Board