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Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

President Brian Deagle called the Issaquah School Board meeting of March 25, 2009 to order at 7:10 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Service Center. With President Deagle were board members Connie Fletcher, Chad Magendanz, Suzanne Weaver, Jan Woldseth and Superintendent Steve Rasmussen.

CFO/COO Jake Kuper led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Student Input – None

Public

- Sue Klinker – business representative for several trades in WA, speak on behalf of apprenticeship programs and supporting local trades workers.
- Ed Holmes – Seattle Area Pipe Trades – also spoke to the importance of apprenticeship programs and urged the board to utilize trades that offer apprenticeship opportunities.
- Else Swanson, Ian Lerch, Mitchell Tant, and Sara Brumley: invited the Board to attend the April 18th *Mostly Americana* concert to honor veterans and bring the community together. April 18th at IHS.
- Gordon Sansaver – sprinkler fitters fire protectors Seattle Washington – overhead lifesaving fire protection. Contract issues on the IHS project.

Establish Regular Agenda – No changes

Consent Agenda

Mr. Magendanz moved, and Ms. Weaver seconded, that the consent agenda be approved as presented.
Action was taken as noted on the following consent agenda items.

1. Acknowledged receipt of the January 2009 Budget Status Report.
2. Approved the minutes of the March 11, 2009 regular meeting as presented.
3. Approved the minutes of the March 18, 2009 special meeting as presented (policy monitoring).
4. Approved certificated employee resignations/retirements (2008-09) as presented.*
5. Approved certificated employee leave(s) of absence without pay for the 2009-10 school year as presented.*
6. Approved new classified employees as presented.*

*personnel listings are available by clicking on the appropriate item on the electronic agenda for this meeting at <http://www.issaquah.wednet.edu/board/events/ViewEvent.aspx?ID=146&KEY=1910LoIT>.

Request for State Bond Guarantee Program Eligibility

CFO/COO Jake Kuper and representatives from Seattle-Northwest Securities explained the need for board action related to an upcoming bond sale and the steps involved in the sale. Ms. Woldseth moved the Board adopt Resolution 944 authorizing the Superintendent and/or the Chief of Finance and Operations to submit a request for eligibility for the Washington School District Credit Enhancement Program. The motion was seconded by Mr. Magendanz and following some further discussion and response to questions, the motion passed unanimously.

School Construction Update

The Board agreed to address the School Construction Update at this time in response to a number of guests who were present to hear that report.

In response to input provided under Public, Steve Crawford noted that the Issaquah School District works carefully within the bid laws, including the low bid law, of the state of Washington. Craft/trade apprenticeship programs are not part of the requirements for public works projects, and for the district to incorporate any apprenticeship program requirements to project bids would go beyond state requirements; however, Mr. Crawford noted that the apprenticeship factor could be considered for future projects.

Updates on other District construction projects were provided as well.

EL-10 Structure of Schools – Monitoring Report

Mr. Magendanz moved, and Ms. Weaver seconded, that the Board accept the monitoring report presented for EL-10 Structure of Schools. At the conclusion of the discussion, Mr. Magendanz moved, and Ms. Woldseth seconded, that the motion on the floor be tabled to the May 13, 2009 board meeting. This motion carried unanimously.

There was considerable discussion around this monitoring report and the types of data the Board wants the administration to provide as evidence of compliance.

EL-12 Learning Environment/Treatment of Students

Mr. Magendanz moved the board accept the monitoring report presented for EL-12 Learning Environment/Treatment of Students. The motion was seconded by Ms. Weaver.

Following discussion Ms. Woldseth moved the motion to accept this monitoring report be tabled to a future agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Fletcher and carried unanimously.

District Budget Development Guidelines/Critical Steps and Target Dates

Mr. Magendanz moved, and Ms. Fletcher seconded, that the board adopt the 2009-10 District Budget Development Guidelines. Following a review of the guidelines, and discussion with the administration, the motion carried unanimously.

10:05 Break

10:12 Back to order

Summary of Special Board Work/Study Session

Please see minutes from the March 18th special work/study meeting.

Legislative Matters

- The Board and administration briefly reviewed the status of the current legislative session and those bills related to K-12 public education.

Works in Progress

Superintendent Rasmussen briefly reports on a variety of activities and events district-wide.

Announcements and Correspondence

- Mr. Deagle and Mr. Magendanz spoke to the recent audit exit meeting noting a “good, clean audit... no findings...and excellent systems in place.” And credited staff on how responsive they are to the audit comments and suggestions.
- Superintendent Rasmussen handed out correspondence from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers expressing concern about work contracted to out of area workers and supporting the trades apprenticeship programs. President Deagle and Superintendent Rasmussen will prepare and send a response on the Board’s behalf.

Future Agenda Topics

Monitoring report for EL-12 on April 22
Monitoring report for EL-2 on April 22
Monitoring report for EL-10 on May 13

Calendar

- The Board directed the administration to talk with the Issaquah Education Association about changing the date by which a seniority line must be identified and sent to the IEA in the event a reduction in force is necessary. At this time, contract language requires this be done by April 20th; however, with spring break falling the week of April 6th, the April calendar doesn’t allow for two regular board meetings. The administration will do so, and if the Association is agreeable, this action will be placed on the regular agenda for April 22nd, if not, a special board meeting will need to be scheduled to meet the contract language. The Board agreed that taking this action at a regular meeting on April 22nd provided a more open process and provided a bit more time for information from Olympia to become available and processed.

The Administration was considering a public budget information meeting on April 17th but agreed holding such a meeting following the April 22nd board meeting would provide more comprehensive information to share.

- Ms. Woldseth moved the moved the Board establish a special meeting on Monday, April 27, 2009 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Renton City Hall for the purpose of meeting with members of the Renton City Council. Ms. Weaver seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

11:07 p.m. The Board moved to executive session to conclude discussion on a student discipline matter. RCW 42.30.140 (2). Anticipate 14 minutes with no action to follow.

11:30 p.m. The Board moved back to open session and immediate adjournment.

These minutes were approved as presented at the April 22, 2009 school board meeting.