

Work/Study Session

The September 11, 2008 meeting of the Issaquah School Board was called to order by President Jan Woldseth at 6:05 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Service Center. With President Woldseth were Directors Connie Fletcher, Brian Deagle, Suzanne Weaver, Mike Winkler and Superintendent Steve Rasmussen. The Board moved immediately into work/study session.

This work/study focused on identifying expectations and developing a process for monitoring Board Ends statements. Also,

- Superintendent Rasmussen briefly summarized the previous conversation on E-4 which will be coming back to the board in the fall.
- Superintendent Rasmussen noted that he would also be announcing his decision to move back the timeline by one year, to September 2010 under Works in Progress during the regular portion of the meeting. Frequent construction updates will continue throughout the building process. It was also noted that there would be no negative impact to the construction of E-15, also scheduled for a September 2010 completion. The established timeline for approval of BRC recommendations will also be maintained, though population data will be monitored closely on an ongoing basis, and if significant new data is found, modifications can be made.

Monitoring Report Process

The discussion centered on general monitoring and the administration outlined and discussed with the Board a way to provide enriched monitoring information by providing two parts to the report – “in the school house data” and “antidotal stories.” Specifically, policies E-5 Citizenship, E-2 Academics and Foundations, and EL-2 Treatment of People, were included in the discussion.

The work/study session concluded at 7:20 p.m. and there was a short break before the regular meeting was called back to order.

Please note: Because regular Issaquah School Board meetings are now being recorded and made available in their entirety for listening via podcast at www.issaquah.wednet.edu/podcasts/ minutes will reflect board action/direction and general topic discussion only.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

President Woldseth called the September 11, 2008 regular meeting of the Issaquah School Board back to order at 7:36 p.m., noting the board and administration have been in a work/study session since 6 p.m. With President Woldseth were Directors Connie Fletcher, Brian Deagle, Suzanne Weaver, Mike Winkler and Superintendent Steve Rasmussen.

Director Mike Winkler led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input

- Nancy Campi and Alison Meryweather shared information regarding upcoming activities of the PTSA Council as well as theme, mission statement and goals for this year.
- Mr. Winkler submitted his resignation as a member of the school board and expressed his appreciation for the experience to all. At Mr. Winkler’s request all joined in a moment of silence in honor of 9/11. Following words of thanks to Mr. Winkler for his service, Mr. Winkler moved the board accept his resignation from the board effective immediately. The motion was seconded by Ms. Fletcher and carried unanimously. There was a short break in the meeting so everyone present could say good bye to Mr. Winkler and wish him well.

8:00 p.m. Short Break
8:12 p.m. Back to order

Establishment of Regular Agenda – No Changes

Approval of Consent Agenda

Ms. Weaver moved and Mr. Deagle seconded that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Action was taken on items as noted.

- 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 September 11, 2008, the Board by a majority vote, does approve for payment those vouchers and electronic transfers included in the following list and further described as General Fund Voucher 263325 through 263982 in the total amount of \$2,534,684.07; Capital Projects vouchers 263464 through 263999 in the total amount of \$1,049,780.76; ASB Fund vouchers 263487 through 264030 in the total amount of 66,379.92; Payroll vouchers 160237 through 160455 in the total amount of \$1,993,520.68; Transportation Vehicle Fund vouchers 264031 through 264031 in the total amount of \$680,971.32; and an electronic transfer in the amount of \$6,672,157.29.
- Adopted **Resolution 939** as presented authorizing the removal of old uncollectible receivables.
- Approved three gifts: 1) \$3,270.01 for ActivBoards and Active Votes at Newcastle Elementary, 2) \$13,000 to help pay for additional EA hours for the BEL Math and Reading program at Newcastle Elementary, and 3) \$12,000 to help pay for additional EA hours for the BEL Math and Reading program at Sunny Hills Elementary.
- Approved the minutes of the August 27, 2008 regular board meeting as presented.
- Approved the minutes of the September 3, 2008 special board meeting as presented.
- Approved the Gifted/Highly Capable Students Program grant application for the coming year.
- Approved certificated resignations/retirements for 2007-08 as presented.*
- Approved non-continuing, provisional and continuing contracts as presented for the 2008-09 school year.*
- Approved supplemental contracts/employment agreements as presented.*
- Ratified the agreement reached with the United Classified Workers Union of Washington, Local 4795, Issaquah Chapter Food Service Employees, September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2011.
- Approved new classified employees as presented.*
- Approved classified employee resignations/retirements/terminations as presented.*
- Approved classified employee leaves of absence as presented.*

*personnel listings are available by clicking on the appropriate item on the electronic agenda for this meeting:
<http://www.issaquah.wednet.edu/board/events/ViewEvent.aspx?ID=121&KEY=t3c1K8K2>

2008-09 School Year Openings

Superintendent Rasmussen and members of the administrative team provided a summary of the opening of the 2008-09 school year. This is presented annual for information only, no action required.

Core 24 Update

Ms. Fletcher presented a letter she drafted at the Board's request in support of **Core 24** graduation requirements. As implementation of **Core 24** as passed by the State Board of Ed is contingent upon full funding by the state legislature, Board members agreed to add the word "fully" throughout the letter where funding is referenced; i.e., "...*fully* fund Core 24..." Ms. Fletcher moved that the letter as modified by sent to each District legislator and signed by all board members. Ms. Weaver seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Legislative Matters

- Ms. Fletcher noted the Sept. 15/16 meeting of the State Task Force on ed funding.
- Ms. Fletcher also reported on continuing efforts to obtaining funding for Passage Points and other like facilities in the state.

Monitoring Report – EL-7 Emergency Superintendent Succession

Ms. Weaver moved the Board accept the annual internal monitoring report for EL-7 Emergency Superintendent Succession as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Deagle and following presentation and discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Director District Vacancy

The Board reviewed their preliminary intentions with regard to filling the vacancy on the Board created by Mr. Winkler's resignation earlier in the meeting, and agreed:

- 30 days to advertise, with Monday, October 13 as the application deadline
- Interviews will be held on Tuesday 10/21 beginning at 7 p.m.
- If, for some reason a second interview date is needed, that would take place on 10/28
- The board plans to make the appointment at the November 12th board meeting
- Mr. Deagle and Ms. Weaver will serve as a board sub committee to develop public interview questions.

Works in Progress

Superintendent Rasmussen provided a brief update on various District events and activities.

Announcements and Correspondence

- President Woldseth encouraged board members to try and attend PTSA Council meetings if at all possible. A list of meeting dates was provided by the Council.

Future Agenda Topics

- New board member orientation

Calendar

The Board directed the administration to pursue individual joint meetings with the city councils in Sammamish, Issaquah and Renton. Some dates in October were identified as possibilities.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m.