



**Issaquah School District #411  
Board Minutes – June 8, 2023**

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**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – 5:00 p.m.**

Board President Sydne Mullings called the June 8, 2023 meeting of the Issaquah School Board to order in regular session in the boardroom of the Administration Service Center at 5:00 p.m. Present along with Ms. Mullings were Board Directors Harlan Gallinger, Marnie Maraldo, Anne Moore, Suzanne Weaver and Superintendent Heather Tow-Yick and ISD Administrators.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

*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.*

**Executive Session**

At 5:05 p.m., the Board went into Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 related to legal matters. In addition to the Board, Superintendent Tow-Yick, members of the Administration and legal representation were present. Executive Sessions are not open to the public and no action was taken. The session ended at 6:00 p.m.

**The regular meeting resumed at 6:07 p.m.**

Board President Mullings moved the FLASH Curriculum from #2 on the consent agenda to the regular agenda as new item #7 just prior to Legislative Matters.

**Public Comment – 6:13 p.m.**

- Larry White Re: Racial slurs
- Ms. Carr Re: Firearm safety

**Approval of Consent Agenda – 6:22 p.m.**

**Ms. Weaver moved the consent agenda be approved as amended with item #2\* on the consent agenda\* placed on the regular agenda as item #7.** Ms. Moore seconded the amended motion and the amended motion passed unanimously. The consent agenda items are as follows:

1. Approved the following Summer Athletics Under WIAA Rule 17.10 of athletic, activity, cheer and dance programs, as presented;
2. \* *moved to the regular agenda #7* ~~Approve the adoption of the updates for 5th Grade FLASH Curriculum, as recommended;~~
3. Approved for payment General vouchers 431084 through 431674 in the total amount of \$3,462,924.41; Capital Projects vouchers 431207 through 431683 in the total amount of \$809,974.14; ASB vouchers 431232 through 431716 in the total amount of \$344,979.14; Payroll vouchers 190933 through 191013 in the total amount of \$3,640,287.16; Electronic Transfer – Payroll in the total amount of \$20,324,429.59; Electronic Transfer – Dept. of Rev in the total amount of \$5,165.09; Electronic Transfer – GF AP in the total amount of \$53,530.44; Electronic Transfer – CPF AP in the total amount of \$1,163.32; Electronic Transfer – ASB AP in the total amount of \$4,464.97



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4. Approved the minutes for the May 23, 2023, regular board meeting, and the February 10, 2023 Board Retreat/Executive Session and March 1, 2023 Board Retreat, as presented;
5. Approved the following gifts/donations: 1) \$10,775.54 has been donated to the Liberty NJROTC program, as presented;
6. Approved the Certificated New Employee Contracts (2023-2024), as presented; \*
7. Approved the Certificated Employee Leaves of Absence (2022-23), as presented; \*
8. Approved the Cert. Empl. Resignations/Retirements/Terminations (2022-23), as presented\*
9. Approved the Classified New Employee Contracts (2022-2023), as presented; \*
10. Approved the Classified Employee Resignations/Retirements/Terminations (2022-2023), as presented; \*

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

**Establishment of the Agenda – 6:20 p.m.**

No additional changes

**Student Input on EL-4 Financial Planning, EL-5 (Internal) Actual Financial Condition, and EL-6 Asset Protection- 6:21 p.m.**

Student representatives Jack O’Connell and Nathan Scherer gave feedback on their assigned reports.

**Student Board Representative Recognition – 6:33 p.m.**

The Board and Superintendent Tow-Yick thanked our student representatives for their service to the Board and the Issaquah School District for the 2022-23 School Year. Ms. Zier, Executive Director of High Schools presented certificates to those in present.

Page Bryan, 12th Grade, IHS  
Riley Callan, 12th Grade, GE  
Tarang Dalela, 12th Grade, SHS  
Sofia Kovalenko, 12th Grade, LHS  
Jordan Lee, 12th Grade, IHS  
Jack O’Connell, 10th Grade, LHS  
Nathan Scherer, 12th Grade, SHS  
Mia Williamson, 11th Grade, LHS

**Works in Progress – 6:39 p.m.**

Superintendent Tow-Yick updated the Board on various projects and events around the District.

**Strategic Plan Update- 6:41 p.m.**

The Administration updated the Board on the Strategic Plan. Marcel Hauser, Senior Advisor and Strategy, shared a slide deck outlining plans to track the process and move into implementation. This was followed by Board discussion.



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**Monitoring Report EL-12 Learning Environment – 6:56 p.m.**

**Ms. Weaver moved the Board accept the monitoring report for EL- 12 Learning Environment, as presented.** Ms. Moore seconded the motion and the motion passed with four yes votes and a nay from Dr. Gallinger.

Prior to the vote there was Board discussion.

**Public Comment**

None

**Monitoring the 2022-23 School Year EL-13 Facilities – 7:56 p.m.**

**Ms. Weaver moved the Board accept the emergency monitoring report for EL- 13 Facilities, monitoring the 2022-23 school year through June 8, 2023, with exceptions, as presented.** Ms. Moore seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Martin Turney, CFO and Tom Mullins, Director of Capital Projects came forward with a presentation followed by Board discussion prior to the vote.

**Public Comment**

None

**Curriculum Adoption for 5<sup>th</sup> Grade FLASH – Tow-Yick/Mellish**

Ms. Weaver moved the board approve the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade FLASH curriculum updates, as presented. Ms. Moore seconded the motion. The motion passed with “yes” votes from Ms. Mullings, Ms. Moore and Ms. Weaver “nay” votes from Ms. Maraldo and Dr. Gallinger.

Prior to the vote the Rich Mellish gave the Board a presentation followed by discussion.

**Public Comment**

Meg Morgan

**Legislative Matters – 9:17 p.m.**

Director Gallinger brought forward items regarding legislation as it pertains to education. Dr. Gallinger and Ms. Maraldo will represent the Board during the WSSDA General Assembly in September. The Board agreed that the district would fund their attendance at this conference.

**Announcements and Correspondence – 9:20 p.m.**

This is a standing opportunity for the Board to share announcements and correspondence.

This list reflects correspondence collectively sent to the Board since the last board meeting:

- S. Brown                      Re: Invite to the Special Education PTSA Member Appreciation Event
- M. Morgan                    Re: Parent feedback on curriculum
- G. Zhang                      Re: Yearbook
- J. Kumar                      Re: Student leadership
- A. Korb                        Re: Public comment
- C. Little                        Re: Curriculum



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**Calendar and Future Agenda Items – 9:21 p.m.**

**Calendar and Agenda Planning during the 6/8/2023 Board Meeting**

**July 13, 2023, Board Meeting**

**Ms. Weaver moved the Board hold the July 13, 2023, regular board meeting at 10:00 a.m., consent agenda only. Ms. Moore seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.**

**November 16-18, 2023, WSSDA Annual Conference in Bellevue**

The Board, Superintendent Tow-Yick, four student representatives and spots for two new board members will be registered for the conference.

**Monitoring Calendar for the 2023-24 school year**

**Ms. Weaver moved the Board adopt the Policy Governance monitoring calendar for 2023-24 school year, as presented.** After discussion, Ms. Weaver **withdrew her motion**. The calendar will come back at the next meeting for additional discussion.

**Adjournment**

**9:46 p.m.**