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Issaquah School District #411 Board Retreat Minutes – Aug 26 & 27, 2024

The Issaquah School Board held a Special Meeting/Board Retreat on August 26 and August 27 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day.

This work session/Board Retreat was open to the public. No action was taken during these meetings. Any action as result of these sessions will be heard during a future board meeting.

August 26, 2024

The Board Retreat began at 9:00 a.m. at the Issaquah School District Administration Building, 5150 220th Ave SE, Issaquah, WA 98029. Board Directors present were Board President Harlan Gallinger, Directors Marnie Maraldo, Sydne Mullings, Matt Coyne and AJ Taylor. Also present were Superintendent Heather Tow-Yick and other members of the ISD Administration.

Agenda topics:

- Secondary Innovation The Board had a discussion with ISD Administrators.
- Bond Communications The Board reviewed website feedback and FAQ organization with ISD staff and Administrators.
- King County Linkage The Board met with King County Council Members Claudia Balducci and Sarah Perry to discuss youth mental health initiatives, early learning funding opportunities and potential grant programs for education
- Student Behavior Support The Board had a discussion with ISD Administrators.

The August 26th Board Retreat adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

August 27, 2024

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Agenda topics:

- Board Policy Updates The Board along with Facilitators, Suzanne Weaver and Anne Moore, and ISD Administrators reviewed and revised language in multiple Operational Expectations (OE) policies
- Sustainability The Board and ISD Administrators heard a presentation from student sustainability ambassadors and discussed potential for new sustainability policy and action plan



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- Equity-Based Budget The Board and ISD Administrators reviewed equity index criteria and school rankings
- Personal Finance Education The Board and the ISD Administrators reviewed options for expanding personal finance education

The August 27th Board Retreat adjourned at 4:00 p.m.