



Easton School Board Meeting Minutes

Easton Library

December 20, 2022 5:30 pm

- | <u>Topic Action</u> | <u>Person(s)</u> |
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| 1.0 Call to Order | Board Chair |
| Board Chair Phil Meehan called the 12.20.22 Board Meeting to order at 5:31 pm. School Board Members present were: Phil Meehan, John Jenson, Chris Helgeson, Jen Phillips(via Zoom), and Jason Meuli(via Zoom). Staff members present were Superintendent Aaron Kombol, Trisha Schock(via Zoom). Board Chair Phil Meehan led the flag salute. | |
| 2.0 Consent Agenda Review | Board |
| 2.1 General Fund Warrants 26175-26203 12.20.22 | |
| 2.2 General Fund Warrants 26204-26235 12.20.22 | |
| 2.3 ASB Warrants 1086-1088 12.20.22 | |
| 2.4 ASB Warrants 1089-1093 12.20.22 | |
| 2.5 Capital Projects Warrant 57 12.20.22 | |
| 2.6 Capital Projects Warrant 58 12.20.22 | |
| 2.7 Easton Trust Warrant 28 12.20.22 | |
| 2.8 Easton Trust Warrant 30 12.20.22 | |
| 2.9 AP Trust Warrant 29 12.20.22 | |
| After review of the warrants attached, Board Chair Meehan asked if any Board members had questions, quick and brief discussion followed. Chris Helgeson made the motion to approve the 12.20.22 Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by John Jensen. The Board approved the 12.20.22 Consent Agenda with a 3-0 vote. (Directors Phillips and Meuli were still logging into the meeting remotely) | |
| 3.0 Board Minutes Approval | Board |
| 3.1 11.29.22 Easton Board Meeting Minutes | |
| John Jensen made the motion to approve the 11.29.22 Board meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Chris Hegleson. The Board approved the 11.29.22. Board meeting minutes with a 3-0 vote. (Directors Phillips and Meuli were still logging into the meeting remotely) | |
| 4.0 Additions, Deletions, Change of Agenda Item | |
| Superintendent Kombol and Easton Board Chair Meehan stated that there were no additions, deletions or changes of agenda items for the 12.20.22 Easton School Board meeting. | |
| 5.0 Public Comment | |
| Board Chair will recognize audience members who have comments to present to the Board. Members of the public who have pre-notified the Board and are residents of Easton School District will be called upon first. Each commenter will be asked to provide their name and address to be included in the meeting minutes. Each commenter will be allowed 3 minutes to express his or her thoughts. Commenters will not be allowed to yield their time to others. The Board Chair will limit the total amount of time for public comment to 30 minutes to allow sufficient time for the Board to conduct its other business. | |
| Board Chair Phil Meehan asked if anyone had public comment for the Board, there was no response. Superintendent Kombol also indicated that he had not received any correspondence regarding the 12.20.22 Easton School District Board meeting. | |

- 6.2 Financial Reports Trisha Schock, NCESD
- 6.1.1 [Budget Status Report 11.2022](#)
 - 6.1.2 [Current vs 3-year Ave Graph 11.2022](#)
 - 6.1.3 [General Ledger Balance Report 11.2022](#)
 - 6.1.4 [General Ledger Treasurer Report 11.2022](#)

Mrs. Schock from NCESD presented the information above the Board and highlighted some of the areas. Mrs. Schock presented an ongoing optimistic(yet still very cautious) outlook on the district's finances. Board members asked several clarifying questions. The Board thanked Trisha and NCESD for their work on Easton's budget and appreciated their efforts to provide a clear picture of Easton's finances.

6.3 [Superintendent Report](#)
Superintendent Kumbol shared his report with the Board as attached. Board Director Meull discussed adding a covered bus stop at exit 62 much like the bus shelter at Hyak as we currently have several students and possibly more that would benefit from the stop. Board Director Jensen stated that he would work with Kittitas County for the bus shelter as he did with the Hyak stop.

6.4 Board Member Reports
Board Director Jensen stated that the district should contact PSE regarding the ongoing power issues facing the district. Board members discussed this topic back and forth.

7.0 Board Business Board

7.1 [Easton School Board Operating Principles](#)
Board members discussed the draft operating principles and how they were in favor of adopting them as a Board. Jen Phillips made the motion to approve the Easton School Board Operating Principles. The motion was seconded by Jason Meull. The Board approved the Easton School Board Operating Principles with a 5-0 vote.

7.2 [Excess Property Tax Resolution 9-2022.23](#)
After an explanation of the resolution by Mrs. Schock from NCESD, John Jensen made the motion to approve Excess Property Tax Resolution 9-2022.23. The motion was seconded by Phil Meehan. The Board approved the Excess Property Tax Resolution 9-2022.23 with a 5-0 vote.

7.3 [Wahkiakum Lawsuit Resolution 10-2022.23](#)
Board members discussed the resolution and discussed the Wahkiakum lawsuit overall and how it could potentially benefit small school districts like Easton. Jen Phillips made the motion to approve the Wahkiakum Lawsuit Resolution 10-2022.23. The motion was seconded by John Jensen. The Board approved the Wahkiakum Lawsuit Resolution 10-2022.23 with a 5-0 vote.

7.4 [Superintendent/Principal Evaluation Form](#)
7.4.1 [Superintendent Performance Rubric](#)
Superintendent Kumbol presented the draft Easton Superintendent/Principal Evaluation form and rubric to the Board as he did in November. Mr. Kumbol asked the Board to officially approve the evaluation forms for the record. Phil Meehan made the motion to approve the Easton Superintendent/Principal Evaluation form and rubric. The motion was seconded by Jen Phillips. The Board approved the Easton Superintendent/Principal Evaluation form and rubric with a 5-0 vote.

8.0 Board Discussion

8.1 Board Letter: Student Safety re: I-90 and Easton School District

- 8.2 Health related Board Policy Updates (First reading)
- 8.1.1 WSSDA Policy [2125](#) Current ESD Policy [2125](#)
 - 8.1.2 WSSDA Policy [2145](#) Current ESD Policy [2145](#)
 - 8.1.3 WSSDA Policy [2162](#) Current ESD Policy [2162](#)
 - 8.1.4 WSSDA Policy [2165](#) no current Board policy
 - 8.1.5 WSSDA Policy [3412](#) Current ESD Policy [3412](#)
 - 8.1.6 WSSDA Policy [3414](#) Current ESD Policy [3414](#)
 - 8.1.7 WSSDA Policy [3416](#) Current ESD Policy [3416](#)
 - 8.1.8 WSSDA Policy [3418](#) Current ESD Policy [3418](#)

Board Chair Meehan brought up his concerns regarding the ongoing construction along I-90 and its impact on Easton School District. Numerous issues were discussed: lack of State Patrol presence, lack of appropriate notification, semi truck traffic in front of school, student safety, drivers relieving themselves in front of students, medical emergencies, lack of shoulder on road, school closures. Board Chair Meehan suggested that as a Board, Easton School District should write a letter to Washington State Patrol, Department of Transportation and State legislators. Director Meull made the motion to draft a letter of concern to the Washington State Patrol, Department of Transportation and State legislators. The motion was seconded by Chris Hegleson. The Board approved drafting a letter of concern to the Washington State Patrol, Department of Transportation and State legislators with a 5-0 vote. Superintendent Kombol offered to write a draft letter for the Board to discuss at the January meeting.

9.0 Executive Session (X) YES () NO

Executive session(s) may be held to consider the appointment, employment, charges against or dismissal of a public officer or employee; to consider the acquisition or disposition of real estate; to consider professional negotiations, grievances, or mediation; to review the performance of a public employee; to receive and evaluate complaints, or to consult with legal counsel (RCW 42.30.110).

9.1 Superintendent/Principal Self Evaluation

(to be emailed directly to Board or hardcopy provided)


Board Chair Meehan stated that the Board would be going into Executive session for approximately 45 minutes. Board recessed to Executive Session at 6:25 pm. Board returned to open session at 7:10 pm.

10.0 For the Good of the District

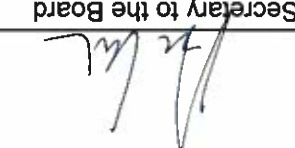
Board members shared their thoughts on some of the positive aspects of Easton School and their appreciation of the efforts from the staff.

11.0 Adjournment

Chris Hegleson made the motion to adjourn the 12.20.22 Easton School Board meeting. The motion was seconded by John Jensen. The Board adjourned the 12.20.22 Easton School Board meeting at 7:11 pm with a 5-0 vote.

Board Chair


Date
 1-24-2023

Secretary to the Board


Date
 1/24/23