

Work Study Session Agenda
November 9, 2021 at 5:30 PM
Zoom Meeting/In Person

Due to some technical difficulties the meeting was delayed.

Members present: April Simonson, Chair; Phillip Meehan, Vice Chair; John Jensen; Jen Phillips

Guests Present: Tim Berndt, Secretary to the Board; Becky Houle, Gretchen Jenkins; Mark Venn, NW Leadership Associates; Joe Bufi; Tracy Van Lone

1. Open Board Meeting: The Meeting was Called to Order by board chairman April Simonson at 5:52 PM
 - a. The Pledge of Allegiance followed
2. Approve Agenda: It was moved by Phillip Meehan and Seconded by John Jensen to approved the agenda
 - a. It was passed unanimously
3. Board Minutes: It was moved by John Jensen and Seconded by Phillip Meehan to approve the board minutes of October 26, 2021.
 - a. It was passed unanimously
4. Communication to the Board- There was no communication to the Board
5. Public Comment- Jen Phillips presented a concern about the safety and signage at the Hyak Bus Load Stop. It was stated that people are running the stop when paddles are out and light flashing at the three way stop at Hyak. Discussion followed about county or state's responsibility for updating flags and signage. John Jensen volunteered to talk to Kittitas County Public Works Office to try to get a solution that will immediately improve the safety for our student riders and walkers. Families are very concerned and supportive to find a solution.
6. Board Business:
 - a. Mark Venn, from NW Leadership, presented the common threads of recent focus group meetings concerning the traits and characteristics desired for a new superintendent/principal posting. Mark spoke to the attributes, the challenges and the positives of the Easton School District as seen through the eyes of the focus groups. Part of these will go into the brochure that Mark will work with Superintendent Berndt to design. So far 9-10 candidates have shown interest.
 - b. Section of Pro/Con Members for Election Committee: Since there was no interest shown by members of the community to serve as a chairperson of the Pro or Con committee, Phillip Meehan moved and John Jensen seconded to submit the form as a blank document to the County Elections Office. It was unanimously approved.
7. Executive Session: John Jensen moved the meeting move to executive session to discuss personnel matters; Phillip Meehan seconded. The board voted to reconvene at 6:45 PM [later adjusted to 7:00 PM]. It was unanimously approved.
8. Reconvene Regular Meeting: April Simonson, Board Chair thanked everyone for their patience. At 7:00 Phillip Meehan moved to reconvene the Board's Workshop session; John Jensen seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved to reconvene the meeting.
9. Adjourn the Meeting: It was moved by John Jensen to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Jen Phillips. It was voted on at 7:01 to adjourn the meeting and It was unanimously approved.

April Simonson, Chair, Easton School Board

Tim Berndt, Secretary to the Board

