

**BURLINGTON-EDISON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 100    November 27, 2023**  
**Regular Meeting Agenda Meeting Minutes**

The Board of Directors of Burlington-Edison School District No. 100 met on November 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. for the Regular Meeting at 927 E. Fairhaven Ave., Burlington, WA 98233.

Board Members attended President Troy Wright, Vice-President Holly Nielsen, David Lowell, Roger Howard, and Rich Wesen.

Staff members attended Superintendent: Dr. Chris Pearson; Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Bryan Jones; Executive Director of Student Support Services, Jeff Brown; Director of Finance & Operations, Valori Vargas; Director of Human Resources, Jen Whitney; and Deputy Board Secretary, Jennifer Dalton.

President Troy Wright called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO  
ORDER

This month the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Superintendent Pearson.

PLEDGE OF  
ALLEGIANCE

President Troy Wright asked the Board if they had any comments.

BOARD  
COMMENTS

David Lowell introduced his family and stated that it was a special night because he was retiring after 14 years of service to the District.

Rich Wesen commented on the WSSDA Annual Conference and that meeting and working with new board members was a pleasure.

Roger Howard stated that he enjoyed the WSSDA Annual Conference and that the breakout sessions were very informative.

Vice-President Holly Nielsen commented on the WSSDA Annual Conference and said the breakout sessions were fantastic. She looked forward to working with the new Board members and congratulated the Girls' Volleyball Team for their exceptional season.

President Troy Wright introduced his wife and stated that this was his last meeting because he was retiring after 12 years of service.

Dr. Chris Pearson presented the [Superintendent's Report](#).

SUPERINTENDEN  
REPORT

Dan Boudreau, the Naval Sea Cadet Corps Instructor/Trainer, introduced Naval Sea Cadets Barajas, Rose, Zimmerman, Andrew, and McDaniel, who updated the Board on the new [program's progress](#). B-ESD's Tiger Division program develops students to become leaders of character. The program is cadet-led and run. The Cadets outlined the vocational training and leadership opportunities, physical readiness, curriculum opportunities, community service, competitions, and recruiting and operations challenges. There are 30 students in the program. To increase enrollment in the program, Dan Boudreau is asking the Board to allow the program to connect and inform the 7th and 8th-grade students.

STUDENT REPOR

Director of Finance and Operations, Valori Vargas, presented the [Monthly Fiscal Report](#) and the [Year End Report](#).

FISCAL REPORT

### **Public Comment**

#### **Raquel Morales**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Morales asked why we did not have an interpreter at the Board meeting. She was concerned about the 6th-grade hiring practices at West View and our sexual harassment policy. She is asking the Board to convene a committee to review the Sexual Harassment Policy and to review the past three years of district data in January.

#### **Danica Kilander**

Ms. Kilander was asking the Board to convene a committee to review the Sexual Harassment Policy and to review the past three years of district data in January. She was disappointed that the District was out of compliance with their procedures regarding sexual harassment.

#### **Jason Morgan**

Mr. Morgan was asking the Board to convene a committee to review the Sexual Harassment Policy and to review the past three years of district data in January.

#### **Sandy Trull**

Ms. Trull, was asking the Board to convene a committee to review the Sexual Harassment Policy and to review the past three years of district data in January.

#### **Jaymie Trull**

Ms. Trull, was asking the Board to convene a committee to review the Sexual Harassment Policy and to review the past three years of district data in January.

#### **Tara Van Loo**

Ms. Van Loo, a parent and former educator in B-ESD, was asking the Board to convene a committee to review the Sexual Harassment Policy and to review the past three years of district data in January.

#### **Celia Ponce Sanchez**

Ms. Sanchez was asking the Board to convene a committee to review the Sexual Harassment Policy and to review the past three years of district data in January. She was also concerned about the District deficit and had heard about some funding the District could receive from the city.

David Lowell moved to approve the Consent Calendar and Roger Howard seconded and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF  
CONSENT  
CALENDAR

Items approved on the consent calendar are as follows:

Approval was granted for payment of warrants subject to review by the Board member designated by the Board President at the end of the month. Items covered are the November 2023: General Fund Warrant Nos. 359387 through 359474, and 359476 through 359594. Capital Projects Fund Nos. 359609 through 359611. Associated Student Body Fund Warrant Nos. 359475 through 359475, and 359595 through 359608. The Transportation Vehicle Fund Nos. 359612 through 359612.

WARRANTS

## PERSONNEL ITEMS

The attached appointments, resignations, and leaves of absence on the [Personnel Items](#) were approved/accepted.

## BOARD MINUTES

The Board approved the minutes for the work session on [November 13, 2023](#) and the regular meeting on [October 23, 2023](#).

DONATION  
REQUESTS

The Board approved all [Donation Requests](#).

## EDISON CAFÉ LEASE

The Board approved the [Edison Café Lease](#)

ADOPTION OF  
POLICIES  
3207  
2190  
2230  
3241

Dr. Bryan Jones, Assistant Superintendent presented the adoption of the following revised or new [Policy Adoptions](#).

Roger Howard moved to adopt Policy Numbers:

1. [3207 Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying of Students](#)
2. [2190 Highly Capable Program](#)
3. [2230 Transition to Kindergarten Program \(NEW\)](#)
4. [3241 Student Discipline](#)

And the motion was carried.

BOARD  
RECOGNITION

Troy Wright, and David Lowell, were recognized for their years of service on the Board.

Troy Wright stated it had been an enormous pleasure and a lot of work, but he had learned a ton while on the Board. He noted that all five Board members brought varying opinions to the table, but they respected each other's perspectives. It had been a good Board to work with, and he thanked his fellow members.

David Lowell echoed Troy Wright's statements. He commented on the people he had met and the relationships he had formed. He also stated that the past Superintendent, Laurel Browning, had grace under pressure and that her heart was always in the right place about kids. Mr. Lowell thanked Jennifer Dalton, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, and Dr. Pearson. He commented that the board had been right about hiring Dr. Pearson as Superintendent. He thanked the Board members personally for the different strengths they brought to the group. He hoped the District could pass some bonds in the future to fix the high school, West View, and perhaps build a performing arts center.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the District Office.

NEXT REGULAR  
MEETING

The next Work Session is January, 8, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. at the District Office.

NEXT WORK  
SESSION

Roger Howard is scheduled to do the warrants in December.

## WARRANTS

At approximately 7:00 pm, President Troy Wright announced the Board would recess into Executive Session (RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) to review the evaluation of the superintendent and RCW 42.30.110(1) (i) to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters.

EXECUTIVE  
SESSION

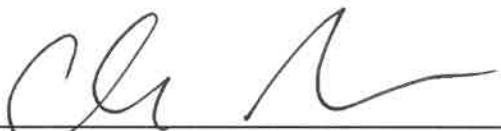
The public was excluded due to the sensitive nature of this matter. The Executive Session will be no more than 30 minutes long and will be back to regular session at 7:30 pm, and the Board will not take action upon return to the public session.

At approximately 7:30 pm, the Board reconvened in regular session. Board President Troy Wright announced that the Board would need more time and stated they would go into Executive Session for 35 more minutes and would return to regular session at 8:05. At approximately 8:05 pm, the Board reconvened in regular session. No action was taken. At 8:05 pm, there being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

ADJOURN



Board President



Board Secretary