

**St. Helens School District #502  
Board of Directors Work Session Minutes  
August 9, 2023**

The St. Helens School District Board of School District #502 convened in a Work Session at 6:30 p.m. in-person in the District Office board Room of the District, County and State, and via Zoom, on August 9, 2023. This public meeting was open to the public as well as observable at:

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Members of the community interested in commenting on agenda items were invited to so during the portions of the meeting designated for comments by visitors, or, if they wished to address the Board via Zoom, by emailing the Board of Directors prior to 5:00 on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at: [sb502@sthelens.k12.or.us](mailto:sb502@sthelens.k12.or.us) with their topic of discussion.

**PRESENT**

Those present were:

Melody Killens, Board Chair  
Bill Amos, Vice Chair  
Ryan Scholl, Board Member  
Kellie Smith, Board Member  
Scot Stockwell, Superintendent  
Kristi Ward, Executive Assistant

Not Present:

Trinity Monahan, Board Member

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Killens called the School Board Work Session to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the flag salute.

**SEATING OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

- Superintendent Stockwell led Melody Killens (Position 2), and William (Bill) Amos (Position 5) in an oath of office. Melody Killens and Bill Amos will serve a four-year at large term that will end on June 30, 2027.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

Bill Amos entered a motion to amend the agenda by adding Consent Agenda item:

- 5.3 Confirm All Votes Rendered During the July 12, 2023 Organizational Meeting.
- Kellie Smith Seconded, the motion to so amend the agenda carried unanimously with all members in attendance.

Bill Amos entered a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Ryan Scholl seconded; the motion to approve the agenda carried unanimously.

### VISITORS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

- No requests to address the board were received.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Bill Amos entered a motion to approve the consent agenda as amended. Kellie Smith seconded; the motion to approve the consent agenda carried unanimously with all members in attendance.

### NEW BUSINESS

- Superintendent Stockwell outlined the Early Literacy Success Initiative (HB 3198) and reviewed the goals and funding parameters.
- Superintendent Stockwell outlined the new legislation relating to placing students on an abbreviated school day program (SB 819). He noted that the directors of Student Services and Special Education are aware of the changes and working with their teams to plan for implementation in the district.
- Superintendent Stockwell reviewed the options for the layout of the athletic fields going in at the high school, and asked for input from members. Members discussed several options and made suggestions regarding layout, field delineation, parking, seating and accessibility for the community.
- Superintendent Stockwell invited members to the Staff and Family Picnic, which will take place from 4:00-6:30 on Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at McBride Elementary

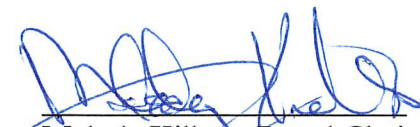
### UPCOMING MEETING INPUT


Regular Board Meeting, August 23, 6:30 p.m.

- 2021-22 Annual Oregon English Language Learner Report
- SHVA Curriculum Review
- Kellie Smith asked for information to be provided at the upcoming meeting about:
  - How the new start times will affect in-seat time for students
  - Rates of Juniors and Seniors whom are on-track to graduate

### ADJOURNMENT

Chair Killens adjourned the Board Work Session Meeting at 7:25 p.m.

  
Melody Killens, Board Chair

  
Scot Stockwell, Superintendent