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**Tumwater School District
School Board Meeting Minutes**
District Office & YouTube (Zoom for Public Comment)
621 Linwood Ave. SW
Tumwater, WA 98512
September 9, 2021
6:00 pm

Board Members Present: Melissa Beard, Laurie Sale, Casey Taylor, Scott Killough, Darby Kaikkonen, Sean Dotson (Secretary)

President Melissa Beard called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and acknowledged that the Tumwater School District sits on the ancestral land of the Nisqually, Squaxin Island and Chehalis people, thanking the caretakers of the land who have lived on and continue to live on the land since time immemorial. She then led us in the flag salute.

Public Comment Reminder:

- President Melissa Beard outlined how the Public Comment portion of the meeting works.

Agenda Discussion/Approval:

- Agenda Changes: Superintendent Sean Dotson shared that there was one change to the previously published version of the agenda. Added "Vaccination Exemptions Update" to "Reports to the Board". "Enrollment Update" was moved to "By the Numbers".

Scott Killough/Laurie Sale, Motioned/Seconded (M/S) to approve the change to the previously published version of the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of Minutes

- **Casey Taylor/Darby Kaikkonen, (M/S) to approve the minutes from the August 12, 2021 and August 26, 2021 Regular Board Meetings. The motion passed unanimously.**

Consent Agenda

- **Laurie Sale/Scott Killough, M/S to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously. The Consent Agenda was approved as follows:**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MELISSA BEARD DARBY KAIKKONEN SCOTT KILLOUGH LAURIE SALE CASEY TAYLOR

"Continuous Student Learning in a Caring, Engaging Environment"

➤ Personnel Report:

New Hire:				
Melissa Finley	Teacher	Special Services	0.5 FTE, One Year Only (2021-2022)	TEA
Mary McEvoy	Teacher	TMS	1.0 FTE, Continuing (2021-2022)	TEA
Monica Snider	Teacher	MTS	0.59 FTE, One Year Only (2021-2022)	TEA
Adjusted:				
Hannah Roberts	Paraprofessional	BLE	From 6.0 hours per day to 6.5 hours per day, One Year Only	TAP
Megan Fitzpatrick	Administrative Secretary	NMSC	Effective 2021-2022 school year: From 6 hours per day, 260 days per year, to 6.5 hours per day, 210 days per year	NON-REP
Tara Clemmens	Administrative Secretary (Marketing)	NMSC	Effective 2021-2022 school year: From 6 hours per day, 260 days per year, to 6.5 hours per day, 210 days per year	NON-REP
Michelle Mageo	Teacher	THS	From para to one-year-only teacher for the 2021/2022 school year	TEA
Karen Kelly	Paraprofessional	Transportation	5.92 hours per day effective 2021-2022 school year	TAP
Laurie Williams	Paraprofessional	Transportation	7.92 hours per day effective 2021-2022 school year	TAP
Jackie Thornton	Paraprofessional	Transportation	5.75 hours per day effective 2021-2022 school year	TAP
Leaves:				
Gail Stuart	Bus Driver	Transportation	LOA for the 21-22 school year	PSE
Brian Kirekeby	Mechanic	Transportation	LOA effective August 30, 2021 - September 15, 2021	PSE
Patrick Kot	Teacher	TMS	LOA from September 8, 2021, returning November 1, 2021	TEA
Pat Kulp	Teacher	ECLC	LOA from September 8, 2021, returning October 1, 2021	TEA
Alyssa McCartney	Paraprofessional	THE	LOA for the 21-22 school year	TAP

Megan Ready	Paraprofessional	BHHS	LOA starting September 8, 2021, returning November 8, 2021	TAP
Heather Alnes	Office Professional 3	TVA	LOA starting September 1, 2021, return date TBD	TOPA
Eric Eckstein	Paraprofessional	MTS	LOA starting September 2, 2021, return date TBD.	TAP
Ashley Locken	Teacher	BLE	LOA starting September 13, 2021, returning September 20, 2021	TEA
Resignation:				
January Canfield	Bus Driver	Transportation	Effective August 27, 2021	PSE
Nicole Allen	Teacher	THE	Requesting to be released from 2021-2022 contract, effective September 1, 2021	TEA
Recommend Approval Of:				
Recommend approval to issue Melissa Finley a conditional certificate for her role as a Speech Language Pathologist				

➤ Payroll and Vouchers

GENERAL FUND:

Payroll			
Payroll Taxes			\$ 1,160,585.17
Direct Deposit			\$ 3,445,424.82
Payroll Benefit Wire Transfer			\$ 1,223,271.18
Accounts Payable - Payroll	72805754	to 72805763	\$ 23,789.74
Accounts Payable	72218897	to 72218913	\$ 74,298.64
Accounts Payable	77218914	to 72218926	\$ 151,347.88
Accounts Payable	72218927	to 72218933	\$ 19,652.29
Accounts Payable	72218934	to 72218952	\$ 106,014.60
Accounts Payable	72218953	to 72218968	\$ 1,094,633.72
Accounts Payable ACH			\$ 33,146.00
Accounts Payable ACH			\$ 46,186.98
Accounts Payable ACH			\$ 240,744.84
Accounts Payable ACH			\$ 173,133.20
Accounts Payable ACH			\$ 53,896.71
Accounts Payable ACH			
ACH Rejection			
Voided Warrants			\$ (4,120.00)
Accounts Payable - COMP TAX			\$ 2,434.41
TOTAL GENERAL FUND:			\$ 7,844,440.18

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND:

Accounts Payable	72012473	to	72012475	\$	61,513.76
Accounts Payable	72012476	to	72012478	\$	17,561.23
Accounts Payable	72012479	to	72012479	\$	221,966.53
Accounts Payable ACH				\$	275.52
Accounts Payable ACH				\$	144,490.91
Accounts Payable ACH				\$	11,552.64
Voided Warrants					
Accounts Payable - COMP TAX				\$	-

**TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS
FUND: \$ 457,360.59**

ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY FUND:

Accounts Payable	72441931	to	72441931	\$	160.00
Accounts Payable ACH				\$	721.00
Accounts Payable ACH				\$	4,187.39
Accounts Payable ACH					
Accounts Payable ACH					
Voided Warrants				\$	(160.00)
Accounts Payable - COMP TAX					

TOTAL ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY FUND: \$ 4,908.39

**PRIVATE PURPOSE
FUND:**

Accounts Payable	72700561	to	72700561		
Accounts Payable ACH					
Accounts Payable - COMP TAX					

**TOTAL PRIVATE PURPOSE
FUND: \$ -**

**TRANSPORTATION
VECHILE FUND:**

Accounts Payable ACH					
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**TOTAL TRANSPORTATION
VECHILE FUND: \$ -**

- Budget Status Report
- Capital Projects – BHHS Access Road; Dedication of Easement to the City for Right of Way.

Recognition/Pubic Comment Follow-Up/By The Numbers

- Public Comment Follow Up: Sean followed up with public comments.
- By the Numbers: Sean gave a transportation and enrollment update.

Public Comment

- Agenda and Non-Agenda Items: Becky Parsons stated that 1 person signed up to address the Board on one topic. Tim Voie updated the board on TEA/TSD bargain. They have taken a brief pause to watch enrollment numbers. They will come back to the table on September 22, 2021.

Reports to the Board

- 1st Reading, Policy 2108-Intervention Programs: Shawn Batstone presented on this topic.
- 1st Reading, Policy 2255-Alternative Learning Experience Programs: Shawn Batstone presented on this topic.
- 1st Reading, Policy 3122-Excused and Unexcused Absences: Shawn Batstone presented on this topic.
- 1st Reading, Policy 3225-School-Based Threat Assessment (NEW!): Shawn Batstone presented on this topic.
- Vaccination Exemptions Update: Sean Dotson presented on this topic.

Break at 7:00 PM...resumed at 7:05 PM

- SEL/MTSS Update: Andra Kelley-Batstone presented on this topic.

Superintendent's Report

- Superintendent's Report: Sean presented a Tumwater U update on Jahmad Canley's equity training. He also shared a couple of first day pictures and stories from around the district.

Board Discussion

- Legislative Update: Darby shared that her next step is to organize the handbook for the General Assembly for board members to review. Part of that organization will be to note as much as she can because it's a lot of information. She will also include board priorities in terms of overall goals. She will also add information about recommendations from the actual committee. If the Board would want to make an amendment to anything that has been proposed, that can be done between 9/17-9/24.
- WIAA Update: Casey reported that our participation numbers are almost back to normal. Masking is required at outdoor events with over 500 participants. Transportation is an issue, but teams are using vans when possible. THS broke ground on the batting cage building the Board approved in January 2020. He also shared that all high school league championships will be happening this year. He gave a number update for middle school sports and high school girls soccer. There are talks about moving middle school football to Spring.

Board Member Comments

- Darby Kaikkonen: She visited BMS and met with Shawn Guthrie and Lindsay Welsh and is planning on visiting LRE. She thanked teachers and administration for doing such a wonderful job; she's blown away by the effort and quality of connections.
- Scott Killough: The Equity Advisory Committee will start September 15th from 6-7 PM. Reach out to Becky Parsons to receive the information.
- Casey Taylor: Thanked Tim Voie for his comment. He's heard positive feedback regarding Strong Start. He shared that it bothers him that the Human Resources Director is a full-time vaccination verifier. He also talked about how COVID numbers are growing but we are still moving ahead in a potentially un-safe manner. The Board has the option to increase safety measures and he would like to consider ways to increase safety.
- Laurie Sale: Welcome back to everybody! She thanked Tim Voie for sharing his bargaining perspective. Thanked administrators that are here tonight. Football has started! She encouraged people to get out to support our kids at their activities. Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.
- Melissa Beard: At her school visits, she noticed that staff see board members as people who want to help. This encourages her and made her feel good in terms of building relationships. Everyone was excited to see each other which is a good reminder of why we are here. There was a lot of good energy!

With no further business coming before the Board, the Regular Board Meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Recorded by:
Becky Powell

Signed this 14th day of October 2021.



Board Member



Board Secretary