



Regular School Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 17, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Location: Boardroom in the Central Office Building
15675 Ambaum Blvd SW, Burien, WA 98166

1. Call to Order

- 1.1. Welcome – Vice President Van called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 1.2. Pledge of Allegiance
Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a graduate from Highline Virtual Academy performed the Star-Spangled Banner.
- 1.3. Roll Call – Vice President Van, Directors Tidholm, Hagos and Petrini present. President Alvarez attended virtually. Superintendent Duran was present.
- 1.4. Call for Changes or Additions to Board Meeting Agenda
Director Petrini made a motion to remove item 6.6 from the Consent Agenda. Director Hagos seconded the motion. This motion passed unanimously.

2. Recognitions

- 2.1 Community Partner: Cascade Bike Club
Vice President Van introduced Kisa Hendrickson, Chief Engagement and Partnerships Officer. Kisa Hendrickson presented Community Partner, Cascade Bike Club and shared about the programming offered through the partnership between Highline School District and Cascade Bike Club. Kisa introduced Tina Castillo, Statewide Bike Education Program Officer at Cascade Bike Club who gave brief acceptance remarks for this recognition.
- 2.2 Recognizing Catherine Carbone Rogers and Scott Logan
Vice President Van invited Catherine Carbone Rogers and Scott Logan to the podium for a special retirement recognition.

Director Petrini read a recognition statement sent in by former School Board Director, Bernie Dorsey.

Director Tidholm read a recognition statement sent in by former School Board Director, Aaron Garcia.

A video statement sent in by former School Board Director, Carrie Howell was shown.

Director Hagos read a recognition statement sent in by former School Board Director, Fa'izah Bradford.

A video statement sent in by former School Board Director, Michael Spear was shown.

Directors Tidholm, Hagos, Petrini, Vice President Van and President Alvarez shared appreciation remarks and congratulated Catherine and Scott on their retirement.

Catherine Carbone Rogers gave brief remarks.

Scott Logan gave brief remarks.

3. Scheduled Communications

- 3.1 Aaron Garcia (Approval of a Superintendent Employment Contract Extension between Highline Public Schools and Dr. Ivan Duran) – *E-mailed the Superintendent Office to remove his name prior to the meeting.*
- 3.2 Rosa Manriquez (Introduction and Action Item 9.1 Motion to approve Superintendent Employment Contract Extension between Highline Public Schools and Dr. Ivan Duran)
- 3.3 Jurnee Robinson (Motion to approve Superintendent Employment Contract Extension between Highline Public Schools and Dr. Ivan Duran)
- 3.4 Muna Hussein (Superintendent Contract Extension)
- 3.5 Melissa Ebbeson (Support of Dr. Durans extended contract)
- 3.6 ZZ Newman (Support of Superintendent Ivan Duran's Contract Extension)
- 3.7 Maria Santiago (Collaboration of Superintendent with Highline PTSA Council)
- 3.8 Alex Myrick (Academic Achievement)
- 3.9 Patricia Bailey (Academics)
- 3.10 Desiree Robinette (Collaboration between HEA and Peer Mentors to support new educators)

4. Superintendent's Update

Superintendent Duran shared about attending recent graduation ceremonies, highlighting the joy and gratitude felt. Superintendent Duran praised the College and Career Success team for organizing seamless graduation events.

Superintendent Duran shared highlights of accomplishments for this school year which included:

- Superintendent, Chief Academic Officer, Jenniffer Reinig in partnership with Highline Education Association Jeb Binns meeting with each school's staff as the new Strategic Plan was launched.
- The Launch of Living Our Promise pins to support the Strategic Plan's Culture of Belonging Goal
- Increased pay for paraeducators
- Strengthened emergency response plans
- Construction started at Tyee and Evergreen
- Deepened MTSS work
- Redesign teams at middle and high schools talking with students, families and staff about how to create more engaging school experiences. Five schools piloted their innovative ideas
- Began journey into imagining how Artificial Intelligence can effectively and ethically revolutionize education

Superintendent Duran also shared challenges which included the \$8 million dollar budget shortfall.

Superintendent Duran expressed gratitude to students, teachers, staff, families/guardians for all their work this school year.

Superintendent Duran announced that the district office would be closed on Wednesday, June 19, 2024, in observance of Juneteenth.

Superintendent Duran acknowledged that his contract extension was on the agenda. Superintendent Duran shared his gratitude for the opportunity to serve in Highline and reassured his commitment to the Highline community.

4.1 Labor Partner Update – Jeb Binns, President, Highline Education Association

Superintendent Duran introduced Jeb Binns, President of the Highline Education Association. Mr. Binns shared briefly.

4.2 [Update on capital bond projects](#)

Superintendent Duran introduced Jackie Bryan, Chief Financial Officer who shared an update on the capital bond projects.

5. School Board Reports

5.1. Legislative Report

Director Petrini made a comment about being a big proponent of Initiative 2081, the Parents Bill of Rights. Director Petrini also spoke about a statement released by Superintendent Chris Reykdal regarding this initiative.

5.2. Director Reports

Director Petrini spoke about attending Tyee, Highline Virtual Academy, Big Picture and Choice Academy graduations.

Director Hagos spoke about attending graduations all day on Saturday. Director Hagos talked about attending a tour to the new Tyee High School with Director and Director Tidholm, highlighting that this is the first project with the district's pilot community workforce agreement. Director Hagos shared that she attended the South King County Fire 75th Anniversary Celebration. Director Hagos also spoke about attending the Des Moines City Council meeting where she gave a brief comment about the Board Community conversations event that was held in Des Moines. Director Hagos spoke about her plans to attend a Juneteeth celebration at a local restaurant. She also shared that PSESD put out a list of other Juneteeth events across Puget Sound and encouraged the community to look at the list. Director Hagos shared about what the Juneteeth celebration means to her personally and as an educational leader. Director Hagos shared a personal note regarding her father in law's decision to retire. Director Hagos spoke about the annual Waterland Parade happening in Des Moines on July 20 and encouraged the community and teens to volunteer. Director Hagos also spoke about the South Side Leadership Conference happening on July 19 at Highline College for new graduates. Finally, Director Hagos spoke about summer library programs being offered but KCLS and shared that she brought flyers which will be available at the Family Center at the district's central office.

Director Tidholm spoke about chaperoning Cascade Middle School's field trip to the StormFest. Director Tidholm spoke about attending the Supporting Partnerships in Education and Beyond's end-of-year celebration. Director Tidholm spoke about attending the Shorewood field day and Mount View's fifth grade promotion ceremony. Director Tidholm spoke about attending Raisbeck Aviation High School, Evergreen High School and Innovation Heights graduations and the RTP end of year celebrations.

President Alvarez spoke about watching pictures and videos of students at graduation ceremonies.

Vice President Van spoke about touring the new Tyee High School with his wife, Directors Hagos and Tidholm. Vice President Van gave a shout out to the College and Career team for their work on graduations. Vice President Van spoke about his experience attending graduations and shared he felt honored to hand diplomas to kids he coached for soccer. Finally, Vice President Van thanked Directors for the conversations at recent executive sessions.

6. Consent Agenda

- 6.1 [Approval of June 1, 2024, Special Board Meeting Minutes](#)
- 6.2 [Approval of June 5, 2024, Special Board Meeting – Work Session on Budget, Special Board Meeting – Public Hearing on Budget, and Regular Board Meeting Minutes](#) *(Linked on 6/13/24)*
- 6.3 Approval of [Accounts Payable Vouchers](#), Director Petrini and Director Van
- 6.4 Approval of [Personnel Report](#)
- 6.5 Approval of Financial Reports
 - 6.5.1 [February 2024](#)
 - 6.5.2 [March 2024](#)
 - 6.5.3 [April 2024](#)
- 6.6 [Motion to approve Resolution 09-24 Fixing and Adopting the 2024-25 Budget](#) *(Item removed from consent agenda during 1.4 – see section 7)*
- 6.7 [Motion to Approve Resolution 11-24 for Trust for Public Lands and King County Conservation Easement for Waskowitz Property](#) *(Attachment 2 added on 6/13/24)*

Director Hagos moved to approve the consent agenda. Director Tidholm seconded the motion. The motion to approve the consent agenda passed unanimously.

7. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

- 6.6 [Motion to approve Resolution 09-24 Fixing and Adopting the 2024-25 Budget](#) *(Item removed from consent agenda during 1.4)*

Following questions and comments by Directors Petrini and Hagos answered by Superintendent Duran, Jackie Bryan and Jenniffer Reinig, Vice President Van made a motion to approve this item. Director Hagos seconded the motion. This motion passed unanimously.

8. Action Items

- 8.1 [Motion to approve adoption of grades K-5 health and grades 4-12 comprehensive sexual health curriculum](#)

Vice President Van made a motion to approve this item. Director Hagos seconded the motion. Vice President Van opened the floor for questions and comments.

Director Petrini asked questions. Jenniffer Reinig, Chief Academic Office answered.

Director Petrini made a motion to amend item 8.1 to remove FLASH curriculum for grades 4 through 5 for further review and to approve the rest of the adoption process as proposed. Director Hagos seconded the motion. Directors Hagos and Petrini voted yes, Director Tidholm, Vice President Van and President Alvarez voted no. This motion failed with a vote of 2-3.

Vice President Van returned to the original motion to approve this item and asked for a roll call vote. Following comments by Director Hagos, Directors Hagos, Tidholm, Vice President Van and President Alvarez voted yes, Director Petrini voted no. This motion passed with a vote of 4-1.

- 8.2 [Motion to Approve Purchase Order Increases for McKinney Vento Qualified Student Transportation for the 2023-24 School Year](#)

Vice President Van made a motion to approve this item. Director Hagos seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

9. Introduction and Action Item

9.1 [Motion to approve Superintendent Employment Contract Extension between Highline Public Schools and Dr. Ivan Duran](#)

Following comments by the Board, Vice President Van made a motion to approve this item. Director Tidholm seconded the motion. Director Tidholm, Vice President Van and President Alvarez voted yes. Directors Hagos and Petrini voted no. This motion passed with a vote of 3-2.

10. Introduction Items

10.1 [Motion to approve HPS Student Proficiency & Growth Assessment System](#)

Teshon Christie, Chief of Digital Transformation and Innovation and Sarah Chandler, Director of Research and Assessment gave a presentation on this item and answered questions from Director Petrini.

10.2 [Motion to approve Graduation Alliance ALE \(Alternative Learning Experience\) Program Contract](#)

10.3 [Motion to approve Revisions Board Policy 2145 - Health, Physical, and Wellness Education Programs](#)

10.4 [Motion to approve Amendments to Board Policy 3418 - Opioid Related Overdose Reversal](#)

Michelle Jervis, Director of Health Services gave a presentation on this item and answered questions from Director Petrini.

10.5 [Motion to approve Resolution 12-24, Delegating Authority to KINGCO Conference for Interschool Athletic Activities for the 2024-25 School Year](#)

Scott Logan, Chief Operations Officer gave a presentation on this item.

10.6 [Motion to approve purchases from Triple B Corporation \(AKA Charlie's Produce\) in the 2024-2025 School Year](#)

President Alvarez clarified that items 10.6, 10.7 and 10.8 are renewals of annual contracts.

10.7 [Motion to approve utilizing USDA Commodity Food in the 2024-2025 School Year](#)

10.8 [Motion to approve purchases from US Foods Inc. in the 2024-25 School Year](#)

10.9 [Motion to approve Resolution No. 13-24, 2024-2029 Capital Facilities Plan and Proposed Impact Fees; Authorization to Submit for School Impact Fees; and Continuation of Exemption of Impact Fees for King County Housing Authority](#)

Jackie Bryan, Chief Financial Officer answered questions from Director Petrini on this item.

11. Items added to the Consent Agenda

President Alvarez made a motion to move items 10.6, 10.7 and 10.8 to the Consent Agenda.

12. Adjourn

President Alvarez moved the meeting be adjourned. Director Tidholm seconded. This motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

President, Board of Directors

Secretary to the Board