

CASHMERE SCHOOL DISTRICT #222
Work Session
January 12th, 2026

Call to Order: Chairman Aaron Bessonette called the meeting to order at 7:00 A.M.

Declaration of Quorum: Board members Roger Perleberg, Nick Wood, Aaron Lowers and Sara Pipkin were present. There were three others present, including Superintendent Johnson.

- 1.0 Flag Salute – Chairman Aaron Bessonette led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2.0 Approval of Agenda – On a motion by Roger Perleberg, the Board approved the agenda as presented.
- 3.0 Reports, Correspondence and Program
 - 3.1. Board Report – there was no Board Report.
 - 3.2. Superintendent's Report
 - 3.2.1. District Enrollment/Fiscal Report – Business Manager Bo Charlton presented an enrollment and fiscal update to the Board. He noted that December's financial reports had not been available last month due to the shorter reporting period. Mr. Charlton also mentioned that a few students had withdrawn from Running Start, with the impact of these withdrawals to be reflected in February's report. He emphasized the importance of the January apportionment report, which marks the transition from budgeted to actual state figures and determines apportionment allocations for the remainder of the year.
 - 3.2.2. Update from OSPI Annual Address – Business Manager Bo Charlton provided a recap of Superintendent Chris Reykdal's recent State of Education address. He highlighted overall funding, noted a reduction in enrollment, rising costs due to inflation, and a decrease in the apportionment difference. Superintendent Reykdal also emphasized the need for reforms during the current legislative session, with progressive revenue (tax) measures being a major focus.
 - 3.2.3. 2026-27 Budget Process and Legislative Session – Superintendent Johnson shared information with the Board regarding the 2026-27 budget process, including staffing considerations and preliminary plans for the upcoming school year. He noted that the district's budget remains stable and that discussions with CEA and Uniserv Representative Tara Quackenbush have been open and straightforward, as in previous years. He explained that the next steps include reviewing the overall budget, identifying staffing openings,

considering incentives such as early retirement, and looking at upcoming retirements, other staff departures, and surplus positions. To help with this process he also discussed the Letters of Intent provided to all certificated and classified staff, which include a clear due date for response.

- 3.2.4. School Board School Visitations – Superintendent Johnson and the Board discussed scheduling the second round of building visitations. Superintendent Johnson asked Board members to review their calendars for February and March and provide feedback in the coming days on potential dates for these visits.

- 4.0 Adjournment – On a motion by Nick Wood and there being no further business to discuss, Chairman Aaron Bessonette adjourned the meeting at 8:15 A.M.

Secretary

Chairman