

**MINUTES OF THE MAY 28, 2019
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

May 28, 2019

1. Opening Items

1.01 CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 2:01 p.m. at the Washoe County School District's Central Administration Building, 425 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada.

1.02 ROLL CALL

President Katy Simon Holland and Board Members Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor were present. Superintendent Traci Davis, Deputy Superintendent Kristen McNeill, Chief of Staff David Lasic, and staff were also present.

1.03 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LTC Jerome Guerrero and SGM Josh Lappin, Nevada National Guard, led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.04 PUBLIC COMMENT

Anicia Beckwith expressed concerns over a property across from Robert McQueen High School where she believed students were going during lunch to take drugs. She was made aware of the situation when she was contacted by the school because her daughter had been seen leaving the house. She complained to the school but had been informed there was nothing the District could do because the house was not their jurisdiction. She stated she received similar treatment when she contacted the Reno Police Department because they were busy with other calls. She mentioned she had started a Facebook group to begin to address the situation and hoped the District would support her efforts because the District should intervene and not stated it was not their jurisdiction.

Sally Casas was also a parent of a student at Robert McQueen High School and had similar concerns as Ms. Beckwith. Members of the Facebook group had been monitoring the house and had been able to identify the students who were visiting the house during lunch. She mentioned the parents needed the District to help stop what

was occurring and believed the District risked being named in a lawsuit if something happened.

LTC Jerome Guerrero and SGM Josh Lappin, Nevada National Guard, were present to request the Board review the graduation policies regarding the wearing of accoutrements. They stated many graduating seniors would be joining the Nevada National Guard and were interested in wearing a sash showing that they would be joining after graduation. The Nevada National Guard would be working with Governor Sisolak to propose the accoutrements be allowed in all school districts and hoped the Washoe County School District would support their proposal.

President Simon Holland wondered if it would be possible to allow the accoutrements. Superintendent Davis mentioned staff would need to conduct additional research prior to allowing the sashes. She was concerned there could be various challenges if the proper process was not followed.

John Eppolito, Protect Nevada Children, expressed concern over the District's continued support of free educational technology vendors that he believed were developing profiles on students. He was frustrated the District opposed the efforts of Protect Nevada Children related to Senate Bill (SB) 403, which would allow parents the ability to opt their children out of using many of the websites he felt were promoted by the District. He urged the Board to educate the parents on the dangers of data collection on students and allow parents to make the final decision on their children's use of technology.

Student Representative Anonti Ali arrived at the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

1.05 **ACTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA**

President Simon Holland stated Agenda Items 3.03 through 3.09, all of which related to zoning, would not be heard before 4:00 p.m.

It was moved by Trustee Taylor and seconded by Trustee Kelley that **the Board of Trustees approves the agenda as presented.** The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

2. **Consent Agenda Items**

Trustee Caudill requested Consent Agenda Item 2.06, Consideration of approval of the extension of the letters of agreement between the Washoe County School District and Accelify, be pulled for additional questions and discussion.

President Simon Holland opened the meeting to public comment.

John Eppolito asked, with regard to Consent Agenda Items 2.02, 2.06, and 2.12, if the District would be educating the parents on the dangers of educational technology programs and students sharing their personal information.

President Simon Holland asked staff to respond to the concerns. David Lasic, Chief of Staff, stated information on the digital tools used by the District was available to all parents on the District's website.

It was moved by Trustee Raymond and seconded by Trustee Calvert that **the Board of Trustees approves Consent Agenda Items 2.02 through 2.05 and 2.07 through 2.12.** The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

- 2.02 The Board of Trustees approved the renewal and additional purchase of software licenses for comprehensive English Learning (EL) programming from ELlevation Inc. in the approximate amount of \$126,410 for use throughout the Washoe County School District.
- 2.03 The Board of Trustees awarded Bid #62186A, Fire Alarm Upgrades at Edwin Dodson Elementary School, to Baldwin Electrical Installations, LLC. for \$171,380.
- 2.04 The Board of Trustees awarded Bid #61186D, Fire Alarm Upgrades at Spanish Springs Elementary School to Nelson Electric Co, Inc. for \$130,000.
- 2.05 The Board of Trustees approved the renewal of Request for Proposal (RFP) #16-001, District-wide Wide Area Network (WAN), to AT&T for one year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 in the estimated total amount of \$553,235.40.
- 2.07 The Board of Trustees approved the grant application to the U.S. Department of Education for Title VI (Indian Education) in the amount of \$175,084.
- 2.08 The Board of Trustees approved the grant applications to the Nevada Department of Agriculture Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program.

- 2.09 The Board of Trustees approved the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Education Act of 2006 Reserve Competitive Grant for Washoe County School District Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs to the Nevada Department of Education for \$260,609.
- 2.10 The Board of Trustees awarded Bid #63110D, Roof Replacement at Galena High School, to Kodiak Roofing & Waterproofing Co. for \$878,393.
- 2.11 The Board of Trustees approved the renewal of Request for Proposal (RFP) #15-002, Consulting and Management Services for Food Service Program, for a period of one year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 in the estimated amount of \$332,773 plus other reimbursable fees such as salaries, benefits, and food costs to Aramark Educational Services.
- 2.12 The Board of Trustees approved the contract for Comprehensive K-12 Virtual School Program for one year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 in the estimated amount of \$195,550 to Pearson Online & Blended Learning K-12 USA (PEARSON).
- 2.06 **CONSIDERATION OF THE APPROVAL OF THE EXTENSION OF THE LETTERS OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ACCELIFY, A SOFTWARE AND SPECIAL EDUCATION PROCESS MANAGEMENT FIRM, IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$499,273, FOR THE TERMS OF APRIL 12, 2019 TO JUNE 30, 2019 AND JULY 1, 2019 TO JUNE 30, 2020**

Trustee Caudill expressed concern over the continued use of Accelify because he continually heard from teachers that the program required additional work for them and was not helpful. He at least wanted to have a conversation to determine if there were other options or why the District continued to use the program.

Superintendent Davis explained the Nevada Department of Education placed a cap on additional funding for students with Individual Education Plans (IEPs) at 13% in 2014. The District, at the time, had been struggling with tracking student records related to IEPs and did not have an adequate system for tracking the implementation of IEPs, which resulted in numerous violations and corrective action plans issued. The District contracted with WestEd to conduct a review of Special Education in the District and one of the recommendations was to change how student records were handled to ensure they were housed in one place to allow for accurate tracking and implementation.

Dr. Byron Green, Chief Student Services Officer, added the Accelify program was a document system intended to codify and manage IEPs to assure the legal requirements

were tracked and resources were properly allocated. The Offices of the Deputy Superintendent and Student Services had worked closely to provide support to teachers when the program was adopted and continued to offer open labs where teachers could receive additional professional development on the program. The intent of the program was to improve accountability and ensure IEPs were being implemented properly.

Dr. Kristen McNeill, Deputy Superintendent, explained the Accelify program had built in safeguards to allow teachers and principals the ability to track what was occurring with an IEP. She indicated the system was more technical than what the District had previously used, but that was why the District continued to provide additional supports and opportunities for professional development related to the system.

Trustee Taylor mentioned she was a member of the Board that received the report from WestEd and understood the concerns related to the tracking of implementation of IEPs. She wondered if additional information on what was previously done versus the current process should be provided for those who were not present. Dr. Green explained the prior process would allow the development of the IEP but did not provide the ability to have full collaboration between the IEP team at the school and the family. The schools would meet with the families, but not all teachers would take part in the meetings so their perspectives and information were not always taken into account when changes were made to the IEP. Additionally, the Accelify program showed greater links between student performance and the goals and objectives of the IEP so the District would be able to track performance. Dr. McNeill mentioned the goals of the IEP were also able to be personalized for the individual student, instead of just copying a general goal, which had previously occurred with IEPs.

President Simon Holland asked if there were other programs available that would be easier for staff to use. Dr. Green noted the District did look at various programs and determined Accelify provided everything the District was looking for in a program. The program had also allowed the District to look at additional Medicaid reimbursements for required services and increase the amount of reimbursements the District received. Dr. McNeill added the District also had to consider the requirements of the Nevada Department of Education and federal laws.

Trustee Caudill thanked staff for the information. He urged the District to look at other options over the course of the next year because he was concerned about the amount of time teachers would spend beyond their contract hours to ensure everything was in the program.

It was moved by Trustee Raymond and seconded by Trustee Minetto that **the Board of Trustees approves the extension of the letters of agreement between the Washoe County School District and Accelify, a software and special education process management firm, in the estimated amount of \$499,773 for the**

terms of April 12, 2019 to June 30, 2019 and July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

The result of the vote was Unanimous: Pass (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.)
Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

3. Items for Presentation, Discussion, Information and/or Action

3.01 APPROVAL OF WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD RESOLUTION 19-006, A RESOLUTION OF INTENT PROPOSING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$100 MILLION IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS (ADDITIONALLY SECURED WITH PLEDGED REVENUES), PROVIDING THE MANNER, FORM AND CONTENT OF THE NOTICES AND AUTHORIZING OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT TO TAKE OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE ISSUANCE AND RELATED MATTERS

Mark Mathers, Chief Financial Officer, explained the agenda item was a continuation on the bonding process related to WC-1 revenues. He reminded the Board and community the funds would be used for the proposed expansion of Darrel Swope Middle School, construction of a new elementary school in the Cold Springs area, and new high school in the Wildcreek area.

President Simon Holland reminded the community the proposed projects would not occur immediately after the bonds were issued, but would allow for the pre-construction process to begin. The completion of any projects would still be a few years out.

It was moved by Trustee Taylor and seconded by Trustee Caudill that **the Board of Trustees adopts Washoe County School District Board Resolution 19-006, A Resolution of intent proposing the issuance of up to \$100 million in general obligation bonds (additionally secured with pledged revenues), providing the manner, form and content of the notices and authorizing officers of the district to take other actions necessary to complete the issuance and related matters.** The result of the vote was Unanimous: (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

3.02 PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATIVE TO NEVADA REVISED STATUTE (NRS) 288.155, REGARDING THE PROHIBITION ON PAYING TO OR ON BEHALF OF ANY EMPLOYEE IN THE AFFECTED BARGAINING UNITS ANY COMPENSATION OR MONETARY BENEFITS IN ANY AMOUNT GREATER THAN THE AMOUNT IN EFFECT AS OF THE EXPIRATION OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS AND APPROVAL OF THE EXCEPTIONS CONTAINED IN SUBSECTIONS 3(a) AN INCREASE IN COMPENSATION OR MONETARY

BENEFITS DURING THE FIRST QUARTER OF THE NEXT ENSUING FISCAL YEAR OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYER AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT AND 3(b) AN INCREASE IN THE EMPLOYER'S PORTION OF THE MATCHING CONTRIBUTION RATE FOR EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ADJUSTMENT IN THE RATE OF CONTRIBUTIONS PURSUANT TO NEVADA REVISED STATUTE 286.450

Emily Ellison, Chief Human Resources Officer, provided background information on the agenda item for the Board and community. The Board was allowed approve an exemption to increase the retirement contribution amounts for employees prior to an approved negotiated agreement related to the contribution amount being approved in an official negotiated agreement. Since all local governments were facing increases to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) it would be important for the Board to allow exceptions, especially related to roll-ups, in case the new collective bargaining agreements with employee associations were not in place by the end of the current fiscal year so employees would not see large decreases in their pay at the start of the new fiscal year.

Trustee Taylor wondered if the PERS increase had been accounted for in the budget. David Lasic, Chief of Staff, stated the District had included the increase for the new fiscal year budget.

President Simon Holland opened the meeting to public comment.

Alyson Kendrick, Washoe Schools Principals Association, and Vangie Russell, Association of Technical & Professional Administrators, expressed appreciation for the Board in considering the agenda item. They believe the agenda item would help to keep the goodwill between the District and associations during negotiations and urged approval of the agenda item.

President Simon Holland noted the exception would only be for the first quarter of the fiscal year so it would be important to conclude negotiations prior to then if at all possible.

It was moved by Trustee Taylor and seconded by Trustee Raymond that **the Board of Trustees approves and directs District staff to implement the statutory exceptions in Nevada Revised Statute 288.155.** The result of the vote was Unanimous: (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

4. Reports

4.01 **BOARD REPORTS**

Board Members reported on their attendance at District and community activities and shared announcements of dates and times of upcoming events.

4.02 **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Traci Davis reported on her activities including meetings with staff, community leaders and the media.

5. Closing Items

5.01 **FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS**

Trustee Caudill requested additional information related to graduation accoutrements, specifically regarding the students' ability to wear sashes who are entering the Nevada National Guard.

President Simon Holland recessed the meeting for 50 minutes.

3. Items for Presentation, Discussion, Information and/or Action

President Simon Holland opened Agenda Items 3.03 through 3.09 at the same time to allow for presentation and discussion for all items to occur. The Board would hear public comment and take action on the individual items.

3.03 **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE WORK OF THE ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE DURING THE 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR, INCLUDING AN OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH EFFORTS, ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS PROCESS, HIGH SCHOOL REZONING CONSIDERATIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS STEMMING FROM THE CONSTRUCTION OF MARCE HERZ MIDDLE SCHOOL**

3.04 **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO MODIFY THE ATTENDANCE ZONE BOUNDARIES OF JESSIE HALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ALYCE TAYLOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MOVING A PORTION OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND ALYCE TAYLOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO JESSIE HALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR**

3.05 **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO ESTABLISH THE ATTENDANCE ZONE BOUNDARY FOR MARCE HERZ MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND MODIFY**

THE ATTENDANCE ZONE BOUNDARIES OF KENDYL DEPAOLI MIDDLE SCHOOL AND EDWARD L. PINE MIDDLE SCHOOL, MOVING STUDENTS WHO ATTEND TED HUNSBERGER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ELIZABETH LENZ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PLEASANT VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND A PORTION OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND BROWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO MARCE HERZ MIDDLE SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

3.06 CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO MODIFY THE ATTENDANCE ZONE BOUNDARIES FOR KENDYL DEPAOLI MIDDLE SCHOOL, EDWARD L. PINE MIDDLE SCHOOL, DARREL C. SWOPE MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND E. OTIS VAUGHN MIDDLE SCHOOL, MOVING STUDENTS WHO ATTEND EDWIN S. DODSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, DONNER SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HIDDEN VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND HUFFAKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO EDWARD L. PINE MIDDLE SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

3.07 CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO MODIFY THE ATTENDANCE ZONE BOUNDARIES FOR CAUGHLIN RANCH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ROGER CORBETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EDWIN S. DODSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ECHO LODER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HIDDEN VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, HUFFAKER ELEMENTARY, SMITHRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EDWARD L. PINE MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND E. OTIS VAUGHN MIDDLE SCHOOL, MOVING A PORTION OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND CAUGHLIN RANCH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO HUFFAKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, A PORTION OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND ROGER CORBETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO SMITHRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, A PORTION OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND EDWIN S. DODSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO ROGER CORBETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, A PORTION OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND HIDDEN VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO ROGER CORBETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, A PORTION OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND SMITHRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO EDWIN S. DODSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, A PORTION OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND SMITHRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO ECHO LODER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND A PORTION OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND EDWARD L. PINE MIDDLE SCHOOL TO E. OTIS VAUGHN MIDDLE SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

3.08 CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO MODIFY THE ATTENDANCE ZONE BOUNDARIES FOR LIBBY BOOTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MOUNT

ROSE K-8 SCHOOL, VETERAN'S MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ARCHIE CLAYTON MIDDLE SCHOOL, FRED TRANER MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND E. OTIS VAUGHN MIDDLE SCHOOL, MOVING A PORTION OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND MOUNT ROSE K-8 SCHOOL TO LIBBY BOOTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, A PORTION OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND MOUNT ROSE K-8 SCHOOL TO VETERAN'S MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND A PORTION OF STUDENTS FROM ARCHIE CLAYTON MIDDLE SCHOOL AND A PORTION OF STUDENTS FROM FRED TRANER MIDDLE SCHOOL, TO E. OTIS VAUGHN MIDDLE SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

3.09 CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO MODIFY THE ATTENDANCE ZONE BOUNDARIES FOR ARCHIE CLAYTON MIDDLE SCHOOL AND DARREL C. SWOPE MIDDLE SCHOOL, MOVING ALL STUDENTS WHO ATTEND HUNTER LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO DARREL C. SWOPE MIDDLE SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR

Dr. Paul LaMarca, Chief Ombudsman & Strategies Officer, began the presentation on the activities of the Zoning Advisory Committee.

Beth Smith, Zoning Advisory Committee Chair, provided background information on the Zoning Advisory Committee. The Committee had been conducting meetings over the past 2 years and held community meetings for those who would be impacted by changes to attendance zones for schools. District staff had also reached out to principals of schools that would be impacted to receive their input on the process. The Committee reviewed information presented by staff and listened to input from the community prior to making final decisions on recommendations to be sent to the Board for approval. The recommendations that would be shown were all different than the original recommendations presented to the Committee so she expressed her appreciation to staff for working with the Committee on various options based on feedback from the schools and community.

Adam Searcy, Chief Capital Projects Officer, reviewed the process for determining enrollment projections at the schools. The largest variable in looking at enrollment projections were the number of kindergarteners since the District did not have the prior school year enrollment as a reference. The District would also look at various multi-year projections and proposed development projects to determine the location of new schools, which did not impact the current discussion, but was a consideration because the District did not want to change attendance zones for students for at least 5 to 6 years.

Dr. LaMarca noted the Committee had to take into consideration changes to the educational model of schools when making their decisions as well. While the Committee could not provide recommendations regarding the movement of 6th grade to middle schools, they had to consider how that decision would impact the enrollment of students in both elementary schools and middle schools and which middle schools would not have 6th grade immediately. Additionally, special programs at certain schools also had to be considered, such as the School Within A School (SWAS) program at Lou Mendive Middle School, and the transportation of students to a school.

Ms. Smith reviewed the guiding principles of the Committee, including student safety and fostering neighborhood schools. The Committee was interested in unifying neighborhoods through a greater emphasis on neighborhood schools and not having any areas of a neighborhood carved out for different schools creating irregular boundaries. The Committee received a presentation from the Office of General Counsel regarding laws related to the creation of attendance zones and factors that could or could not be considered when making their recommendations such as, socio-economic status.

Dr. LaMarca concluded the presentation. He noted the conversations had by the Committee were difficult because while the current recommendations were related to middle school attendance zones, the community was concerned about future high school attendance zones and where their children were currently zoned and how changes to the middle school attendance zone could impact where they went to high school. The intent of the District was to remove split-feeder schools and to have all students zoned for a particular elementary school move into the same middle school, and then from the same middle school into the same high school. The new schools scheduled to open in the next few years would not completely eliminate split-feeder schools, but it would go a long way towards reaching the goal. He reviewed the variance process related to rezoning attendance areas.

Trustee Caudill clarified that a student would be able to remain at their current school for 1 year if they were looking at being moved to a different school. Dr. LaMarca stated that was correct.

President Simons Holland opened the meeting to public comment.

Pablo Nava Duran hoped the Board would have considered high school zoning at the same time the attendance zones for middle schools were considered. He was concerned the current process would result in split-feeder middle schools and his understanding was that was not the intent of the Board.

President Simon Holland wondered when the Committee would begin the process of high school rezoning. Dr. LaMarca noted the construction of the new high school in the

Wildcreek area was still a ways off, but staff would be bringing the discussion of high school zoning to the Committee next school year. He anticipated the process would be lengthy and include various opportunities for the community to provide their input.

President Simon Holland thanked staff and the Committee for their efforts. She was impressed with the community outreach conducted and the willingness of everyone to go back to consider other options based on feedback.

Dr. LaMarca reviewed the recommendations related to Agenda Item 3.04 for Alyce Taylor Elementary School and Jesse Hall Elementary School. The intent was to clean up the attendance zone with natural barriers so students on one side of the street were not attending a different school than their neighbors. The enrollment projections before and after the proposed change were explained.

Ms. Smith added the Committee also considered the projected enrollment for John Bohach Elementary School and determined it would be important to keep their enrollment lower at the present time since there remained a lot of uncertainty surrounding developments in the area. The options considered by the Committee were reviewed and the recommended option presented.

Trustee Caudill thanked staff and the Committee for their work. As one of the Trustees representing the area, he had not received any emails or phone calls expressing concern with the recommendation.

It was moved by Trustee Caudill and seconded by Trustee Minetto that **the Board of Trustees approves the recommendation of the Zoning Advisory Committee to Modify the attendance zone boundaries of Alyce Taylor Elementary School and Jesse Hall Elementary School, moving a portion of students who attend Alyce Taylor Elementary School to Jesse Hall Elementary School, effective for the 2020-21 School Year.** The result of the vote was Unanimous: (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

Dr. LaMarca reviewed the recommendations related to Agenda Item 3.05 for Marce Herz Middle School. He noted the proposed attendance zones had gone through various reiterations because of comments and feedback from the Committee and community. Staff had considered not only the current schools, but a future elementary school being considered for the area when making determines for Marce Herz Middle School.

Trustee Caudill requested additional information on when the new elementary school would come to the Board for consideration. Mr. Searcy cautioned the proposed school was considered "need dependent" at the present time. The District had acquired the

property but there were no current plans to begin construction on a new elementary school on the property on Rio Wrangler Parkway at the present time.

Trustee Raymond remarked that she had driven the area to get a feel for what was occurring since the maps provided only showed roads and Google Maps did not seem accurate to her. She was surprised by the amount of construction occurring so she could see the need for another elementary school coming sooner rather than later.

Trustee Kelley asked if the District would be able to adjust timelines for new schools depending on growth. Mr. Searcy stated the District would and staff continued to attending meetings and work with developers to determine if changes did need to occur in where schools would be built.

President Simon Holland requested additional information on the recommendation. She had heard from a number of parents that students from Huffaker Elementary School would not be zoned for Marce Herz Middle School and she wondered why the Committee made that determination. Ms. Smith explained the Board had only been provided with a few of the options considered by the Committee related to which middle school students from Huffaker Elementary School would attend. Based on all the information received, the Committee decided the information presented by staff on the projected enrollment in the coming years was reasonable and that to ensure Herz Middle School did not open overcrowded, based on projected growth, the students zoned for Huffaker Elementary School should be zoned for Edward Pine Middle School. Additionally, Pine Middle School was much closer to Huffaker Elementary School than Herz Middle School would be once completed so if zoned for Herz Middle School transportation would become a greater factor to be considered. The Committee was concerned about what could occur related to high school zoning for the students, but it was not something they were allowed to consider as part of the current recommendations.

President Simon Holland asked about the discussion of moving Huffaker Elementary School students from Darrel Swope Middle School. Ms. Smith stated the intent was to keep the neighborhood schools and with the change to Pine Middle School, Huffaker Elementary School would no longer be a split-feeder elementary school. The move was strategic and supported by a majority of families in the area that contacted the Committee. It was important to note that subsequent recommendations to be considered by the Board were dependent on the current recommendation. Additional information on how the recommendation impacted subsequent recommendations was explained, especially related to the movement of students from Pleasant Valley Elementary School to Marce Herz Middle School and a portion of students from Brown Elementary School to Herz Middle School.

President Simon Holland opened the meeting to public comment.

Candace Lowery expressed concern over the process for Pleasant Valley Elementary School. She did not believe the process had been transparent and had repeatedly requested information on the enrollment projects but never heard the information presented to the Committee. She was frustrated that the families in Washoe Valley were always being moved from school to school and were treated as an afterthought. She also wondered what would happen to varsity athletes and if they were rezoned, would they be able to continue to play or be forced to sit out one year.

Dr. LaMarca explained staff had reviewed various options for Pleasant Valley Elementary School, but only provided the Committee with options that were feasible. Based on current projections and known information, the District could not recommend keeping Pleasant Valley Elementary School students at Kendyl Depoali Middle School. The District would be working with the schools and families to minimize disruptions to families but there would be an impact. He understood the concern regarding where students would be zoned for high school so parents could prepare, but the District was not prepared to answer high school zoning questions at the present time since the entire District would be looked at when that process began.

President Simon Holland wondered why the numbers for Pleasant Valley Elementary School were not included in some of the information. Mr. Searcy noted the numbers for Pleasant Valley Elementary School were not included in all information because their enrollment boundaries were not anticipated to change when the new elementary school on Rio Wrangler Parkway was eventually constructed. Brown Elementary School and Nick Poulakidas Elementary School boundaries would change with a new elementary school in the South Meadows area and that would also impact middle school enrollments at both Kendyl Depoali Middle School and Marce Herz Middle School. Additionally, if Pleasant Valley Elementary School students were to remain at Depoali Middle School, with the new construction in the area, the result would be that Depoali Middle School would be over capacity by 2025; and if Huffaker Elementary School were zoned for Marce Herz Middle School and then Pleasant Valley Elementary School were zoned for Herz Middle School later, they would be over capacity.

President Simon Holland expressed concern about moving established families at Pleasant Valley Elementary School to Marce Herz Middle School based only on future enrollment due to new residents being zoned for Kendyl Depoali Middle School because of the housing development they moved into and placing the school over capacity. Ms. Smith mentioned the Committee was aware of the concerns of the Pleasant Valley Elementary School families and the Huffaker Elementary School families. The Committee tried hard to balance the current enrollment numbers with the projected enrollment over the coming 5 years. Based on all the information, if Pleasant Valley Elementary School and Huffaker Elementary School were zoned for Marce Herz Middle School, the new school would be over capacity quickly and Edward Pine Middle School

would be far under capacity. After hearing all the comments from Committee meetings, the concern from Pleasant Valley Elementary School families seemed to be more related to where the students would attend high school and not middle school.

President Simon Holland asked about the possible impacts to athletes in high school. Dr. LaMarca stated the District was in conversations with the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) regarding possible rezoning of high schools. The understanding of staff was that the student would have the option to remain at their current school or move to the new school based on changes to the attendance zone made by the District without an impact to their eligibility status. However, the student would only be able to make that choice one time, so they would not be able to go back and change their mind on where they wanted to attend high school later and remain eligible. It was important to note the District was clarifying their understanding of the rules with the NIAA and final information would be provided to the parents and community once learned.

Trustee Taylor mentioned that rezoning was not a new issue so she was confident the NIAA had an established rule. The intent of the NIAA was not to deny students an opportunity to participate related to factors out of their control. The NIAA Board of Control was composed of persons familiar with student athletes and an understanding of their importance.

Trustee Raymond indicated she was struggling with the emotional aspects of rezoning versus the available data. She wanted to make the correct decisions for the entire District, but understood the frustrations of families who had planned on children attending certain schools. Some schools were in strange areas that should be zoned for different schools when looked at logically, but there were additional implications that had to be considered, such as the under utilization of a school or a new school opening over capacity because of new growth. She would like to hear the additional recommendations prior to making any decision on Agenda Item 3.05 because she believed it would be imperative to see how all pieces fit together.

Trustee Caudill agreed with Trustee Raymond's comments.

President Simon Holland opened the meeting to public comment.

Pablo Nava Duran spoke in support of the Board approving the Committee's recommendation. He was concerned that the reason some Huffaker Elementary School families did not want to be zoned for Edward Pine Middle School was because of false ideas about the culture of the school.

Madison Lowery was a junior at Damonte Ranch High School and had attended Pleasant Valley Elementary School when she was younger. She mentioned that the number of

students who would be entering middle school and then high school in a given year from Pleasant Valley Elementary School was small, around 50 students per year. She wondered why the District was considering drastic changes for 50 students.

Dr. LaMarca presented the recommendations related to Agenda Item 3.06. The recommendation would eliminate split-feeder elementary schools for students who would be zoned for Darrel Swope Middle School, E. Otis Vaughn Middle School, and Edward Pine Middle School.

President Simon Holland indicated the Board had received a number of questions from parents regarding the recommendation because one of the changes would move a portion of students from Caughlin Ranch Elementary School to Huffaker Elementary School. Ms. Smith stated Caughlin Ranch Elementary School was nearing capacity and Huffaker Elementary School had room to grow. The pocket of students the recommendation would impact was small and included apartments and townhouses where students on one side of the street were currently zoned for Caughlin Ranch Elementary School and the other side of the street zoned for Huffaker Elementary School. Those students zoned for Huffaker Elementary School were in the walk zone for the school so it just made sense to have all the students walk to Huffaker Elementary School instead of riding a bus 3 miles to Caughlin Ranch Elementary School. The Committee understood the concerns raised by parents and the changes the students would face, but it was important to remember the change would create a stronger connection with everyone in the neighborhood because they would all be attending the same elementary school. She added that some of the concerns raised by the parents were also related to the recommendation to have Huffaker Elementary School zoned for Edward Pine Middle School.

Trustee Taylor wondered why the Committee did not look at other neighborhoods zoned for Caughlin Ranch Elementary School to ease overcrowding. Ms. Smith explained the residences included in the recommendation were in an area where there was a break from other Caughlin Ranch Elementary School neighborhoods and, effectively, little islands on their own behind the Lakeridge Golf Course. The Committee did look at other areas, but those were the only ones that made sense to move to Huffaker Elementary School without creating additional carve-outs in neighborhoods.

Trustee Raymond mentioned she knew the area very well and had spoken with a couple of parents who claimed there were a number of students zoned for Caughlin Ranch Elementary School who had variances to Huffaker Elementary School because it was so much closer. She also knew the school ratings from the Nevada Report Card had Edward Pine Middle School and Darrel Swope Middle School ranked almost identically so she would not have any problem approving the recommendation.

President Simon Holland opened the meeting to public comment.

Pablo Nava Duran stated he agreed with the recommendations from the Zoning Advisory Committee and urged the Board to approve the recommendations.

Trustee Raymond indicated she had researched the idea of having Huffaker Elementary School students zoned for the new Marce Herz Middle School; however, she agreed with the remarks from Ms. Smith that zoning Huffaker Elementary School to the new school was not feasible. She believed one of the tenants behind WC-1 was to ensure students would no longer be forced to rise early to catch a bus to get to school across town and if the Board approved zoning Huffaker Elementary School to Marce Herz Middle School that would occur. It made sense to have Huffaker Elementary School zoned for Edward Pine Middle School in terms of geography and she could not support zoning Huffaker Elementary School to Marce Herz Middle School.

President Simon Holland requested additional information on how the movement of students at Huffaker Elementary School to Edward Pine Middle School impacted the enrollment at Darrel Swope Middle School. Dr. LaMarca mentioned there was a cascading effect on all actions. The movement of students at Huffaker Elementary School to Edward Pine Middle School would enable the District to eliminate split-feeder elementary schools, especially Mount Rose Elementary School, and begin the process of moving 6th grade to Darrel Swope Middle School.

Dr. LaMarca presented the recommendations related to Agenda Item 3.07. The Agenda Item would modify the attendance zones for various elementary schools to clean up some odd carve outs that had occurred to ease overcrowding prior to new schools being considered. The item was related to the prior item since it would also be eliminating split-feeder elementary schools with the schools either fully zoned for Edward Pine Middle School or E. Otis Vaughn Middle School.

Ms. Smith added the recommendation the Committee's desire to have neighborhood children attend a neighborhood school. The families in the Neil Road area were currently zoned for three different elementary schools and the middle school rezoning provided an opportunity to reverse that and have the entire neighborhood attend the same school.

President Simon Holland opened the meeting to public comment.

Pablo Nava Duran expressed support for the Committee recommendation because it would allow the families and children in the neighborhoods to attend the same schools.

Dr. LaMarca presented the recommendations related to Agenda Item 3.08. The item was similar to the prior agenda item in that the recommendation would change the

attendance zone for some elementary schools to eliminate split-feeders and rezone the boundaries for Fred Traner Middle School and E. Otis Vaughn Middle School.

Ms. Smith noted the enrollment data showed there would not be a large impact on the schools because the recommendation would shift students based on the prior recommendation regarding Mount Rose Elementary School. Since Mount Rose Elementary School was a language academy and allowed students in the Two-Way Immersion program to remain through 8th grade, there were unique challenges when looking at the enrollment numbers because the numbers would continue to show the school at or near capacity; however, with the change in the attendance zones to include more geographical boundaries, the recommendation made more sense.

Trustee Caudill wondered if there were discussions by the Committee to provide additional relief to Mount Rose Elementary School. Ms. Smith indicated the other options presented to the Committee would have created split-feeder schools and that was something the Committee wanted to avoid. Dr. LaMarca added the District would be interested in bringing the numbers down at Mount Rose even more, but that was not possible at the present time and the District believed the recommendation would allow the school to support the projected enrollment moving forward. Mr. Searcy noted since Mount Rose was a small campus that housed a small number of students, the percentages could change dramatically based on only a few students.

Trustee Raymond wondered if the recommendation would change Veteran's Memorial Elementary School ability to remain a walking school. She was concerned about the students having to cross Wells Avenue and wondered if transportation was considered. Mr. Searcy remarked the students on the western side of Wells Avenue would still be in the walk zone in terms of distance. The District worked with the Safe Routes to School Coordinator and there were numerous traffic signals and safe crosswalks for students with all the improvements made to Wells Avenue over the past few years.

Trustee Caudill asked if the District had considered changing Mount Rose back to a traditional elementary school in terms of the grades offered. Dr. LaMarca noted the middle school program at Mount Rose was related to the Two-Way Immersion program and did not include all students at Mount Rose.

Dr. LaMarca presented the recommendations related to Agenda Item 3.09. The recommendation would clean-up the split-feeder status at Hunter Lake Elementary School and have all those zoned for Hunter Lake attend Darrel Swope Middle School.

President Simon Holland asked how the proposed remodel of Darrel Swope Middle School would impact the recommendations. Mr. Searcy stated the remodel was not taken into account by the Committee in terms of enrollment projections because the project had not been acted on yet by the Board of Trustees. The recommendations

before the Board would allow only two elementary schools the ability to send 6th graders to Darrel Swope Middle School; however, once the Board was presented with the expansion project, and approval provided to the District to move forward, the remaining elementary schools currently zoned for Swope Middle School would be able to send 6th grade to middle school, following the 6-8 grade middle school model. He motioned that if the Board did not approve all the recommendations, the District would have to consider a larger expansion project to house the additional students.

Trustee Raymond appreciated the recommendation to have all students at Hunter Lake Elementary School move to Darrel Swope Middle School. She believed the recommendation illustrated the importance of keeping students together whenever possible and strengthen bonds. She felt the recommendation would also fix a zoning problem that was based on factors other than geography and increase the diversity at Darrel Swope Middle School.

President Simon Holland clarified all the recommendations were related to creating relief at the middle schools to populate the new Marce Herz Middle School and repopulate the remaining middle schools, which would then provide enough relief at Darrel Swope Middle School that an expansion could occur at move all middle schools to the 6-8 grade model. Mr. Searcy added the elimination of split-feeder elementary schools was a primary consideration by the Committee as well.

President Simon Holland thanked staff and the Committee for their work. She appreciated staff moving through all the recommendations since they were all related and cascaded into each other. It was important for the Board to consider all the information at once, as she had not considered the additional cost of the possible expansion to Darrel Swope Middle School when she first reviewed the information.

President Simon Holland recessed the meeting for 10 minutes.

President Simon Holland opened Agenda Item 3.05 for consideration by the Board.

Trustee Kelley stated his appreciation to the Zoning Advisory Committee for their comprehensive look at options. He agreed with the guiding principles of the Committee and was grateful the Committee established them prior to making recommendations because he believed they allowed for decisions to be made in a consistent manner, rather than based on emotions.

It was moved by Trustee Kelley and seconded by Trustee Minetto that **the Board of Trustees approves the recommendations of the Zoning Advisory Committee to establish new attendance zone boundaries for Marce Herz Middle School, moving students attending Ted Hunsberger Elementary School, Elizabeth Lenz Elementary School, Pleasant Valley Elementary School, and a portion of**

students who attend Brown Elementary School to the Marce Herz Middle School attendance zone boundary, effective for the 2020-21 School Year.

President Simon Holland opened the motion for discussion.

President Simon Holland acknowledged the District was continuing discussions with the NIAA and those discussions would be becoming even more important when the District and Committee looked at options related to high school attendance zones.

The result of the vote was 6-1: (Yea: Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor. Nay: Jacqueline Calvert.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

President Simon Holland opened Agenda Item 3.06 for consideration by the Board.

It was moved by Trustee Kelley and seconded by Trustee Raymond that **the Board of Trustees approves the recommendations of the Zoning Advisory Committee to establish new attendance zone boundaries for Edward L. Pine Middle School, moving a portion of students who attend Caughlin Ranch Elementary School to Huffaker Elementary School, moving a portion of students who attend Hidden Valley Elementary School to Roger Corbett Elementary School, moving students attending Edwin S. Dodson Elementary School, Donner Springs Elementary School, Hidden Valley Elementary School, and Huffaker Elementary School to Edward L. Pine Middle School, effective for the 2020-21 School Year.** The result of the vote was Unanimous: (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

President Simon Holland opened Agenda Item 3.07 for consideration by the Board.

It was moved by Trustee Raymond and seconded by Trustee Taylor that **the Board of Trustees approves the recommendations of the Zoning Advisory Committee to establish new attendance zone boundaries for several elementary and middle schools as follows: moving a portion of students who attend Roger Corbett Elementary School to Smithridge Elementary School; moving a portion of students who attend Edwin S. Dodson Elementary School to Roger Corbett Elementary School; moving a portion of students who attend Smithridge Elementary School to Edwin S. Dodson Elementary School; moving a portion of students who attend Smithridge Elementary School to Echo Loder Elementary School; and moving a portion of students who attend Edward L. Pine Middle School to E. Otis Vaughn Middle School, effective for the 2020-21 School Year.**

President Simon Holland opened the motion for discussion.

President Simon Holland again thanked the Committee for their commitment to the process and their work on the recommendations. Some of the recommendations were complex because of previous actions and the District and Committee were interested in cleaning up attendance zones to ensure neighborhoods were served by neighborhood schools.

The result of the vote was Unanimous: (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

President Simon Holland opened Agenda Item 3.08 for consideration by the Board.

It was moved by Trustee Raymond and seconded by Trustee Calvert that **the Board of Trustees approves the recommendations of the Zoning Advisory Committee to establish new attendance zone boundaries for several elementary and middle schools as follows: moving a portion of students from Mount Rose K-8 school to Libby Booth Elementary School, a portion of students who attend Mount Rose K-8 School to Veteran's Memorial Elementary School, and a portion of students who attend Archie Clayton Middle School and a portion of students who attend Fred Traner Middle School to E. Otis Vaughn Middle School, effective for the 2020-21 School Year.** The result of the vote was Unanimous: (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

President Simon Holland opened Agenda Item 3.09 for consideration by the Board.

It was moved by Trustee Calvert and seconded by Trustee Taylor that **the Board of Trustees approves the recommendations of the Zoning Advisory Committee to establish new attendance zone boundaries for Archie Clayton Middle School and Darrel C. Swope Middle School, moving all students who attend Hunter Lake Elementary School to Darrel C. Swope Middle School, effective for the 2020-21 School Year.** The result of the vote was Unanimous: (Yea: Jacqueline Calvert, Andrew Caudill, Katy Simon Holland, Scott Kelley, Ellen Minetto, Malena Raymond, and Angela Taylor.) Final Resolution: Motion Carries.

5. Closing Items

5.02 PUBLIC COMMENT

Pablo Nava Duran thanked the Board for all their work on the attendance zone items.

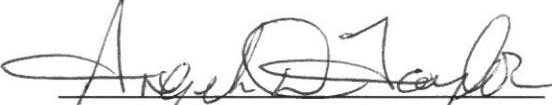
5.03 NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The next Regular Meeting would take place on June 4, 2019, beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Central Administration Building.

5.04 ADJOURN MEETING

There being no further business to come before the members of the Board, President Simon Holland declared the meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.


Katy Simon Holland, President


Angela D. Taylor, Clerk