

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
APRIL 27, 2021**

Central Administration Building

Disclaimer: These highlights are intended to give a summary of action taken at the Regular Meeting of the Washoe County School District Board of Trustees. The minutes of the meeting will be reviewed and approved by the Board of Trustees at a later meeting. Additional information regarding each of these items can be found on the Trustees eGovernance website: <https://go.boarddocs.com/nv/washoe/Board.nsf/Public>

Public Comment

- The Board of Trustees received emails from 33 members of the community during the general public comment periods (Agenda Items 3.01 and 8.01).

Opening Items

- The Board of Trustees reaffirmed their commitment to honor Board Governance, Board Policies, and Board Protocols. The Board received emails from two (2) members of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 1.05).

Consent Agenda

- The Board of Trustees approved the minutes of the January 12, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees (Agenda Item 2.02).
- The Board of Trustees approved the minutes of the January 26, 2021 Work Session of the Board of Trustees (Agenda Item 2.03).
- The Board of Trustees provided final approval to the proposed revisions to Board Policy 1310, Political Activity in Schools (Agenda Item 2.04).
- The Board of Trustees approved renewal of Master Services Agreement with JNA Consulting Group, LLC for municipal financial advisory services and consulting services with estimated annual fees between \$85,000 to \$125,000 for a term of one (1) year beginning April 27, 2021 and ending April 26, 2022 (Agenda Item 2.05).
- The Board of Trustees approved the Third Amendment to the Commercial Lease Agreement for 5450 Riggins Court with Z Bar T Properties (Landlord), for Northstar and seven other District departments for an additional 12 months on an annual basis beginning June 1, 2021 and expiring May 31, 2022 in the estimated amount of \$276,000 (Agenda Item 2.06).
- The Board of Trustees approved the 3rd quarter Fiscal Year 2020-21 average daily attendance and pupil-teacher ratios for grades K-3 report to be filed with the Nevada Department of Education (Agenda Item 2.07).
- The Board of Trustees approved the joinder contract for bond counsel and disclosure counsel services through June 30, 2022, to the State of Nevada's

contract with Sherman & Howard LLC in the estimated amount of \$200,000 (Agenda Item 2.08).

- The Board of Trustees accepted the "Budget Transfer Report" and provided authorization to include budget transfers between functions or programs for a total amount of \$40,000 for the period March 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021 and approves the transfer of \$26,000 from the District's General Fund Contingency account to the Board of Trustees budget account in the official Board minutes, as required by Nevada Revised Statute 354.598005 (Agenda Item 2.09).
- The Board of Trustees accepted the information collected from the E.L. Cord Foundation related to Nevada Revised Statute 386.390 (Agenda Item 2.10).
- The Board of Trustees approved the Alternative Schedule for 45-minute weekly early release for all schools with the exception of North Star Online School (a distance education school that does not operate under minutes) and authorized Student Accounting staff to complete and submit the "Application to Operate on an Alternative Schedule" to the Nevada Department of Education (Agenda Item 2.11).
- The Board of Trustees approved the appointment to the Safe and Healthy Schools Commission of Peg Samples to fill a vacant at-large seat and for an additional two-year term ending June 30, 2023. The Board received an email from one (1) member of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 2.12).
- The Board of Trustees approved the 2021-2022 School Year list of dual credit courses (Agenda Item 2.13).

Items for Presentation/Discussion/Information/Action

- The Board of Trustees received an update on the 2021 Nevada Legislative Session (Agenda Item 4.01).
- The Board of Trustees was provided an update on the development of the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget, including information on federal stimulus monies and the implementation of the Pupil Centered Funding Formula (Agenda Item 5.01).
- The Board of Trustees received a presentation on the origin, history, and governing documents associated with the Capital Funding Protection Committee (Agenda Item 6.01).
- The Board of Trustees accepted the recommendation of the Capital Funding Protection Committee and approved the Washoe County School District's Fiscal Year 2022-2026, Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan, to include an additional \$15 million for the Debbie Smith CTE Academy in Year 2, with the understanding staff will provide an additional agenda item or work session in the future related to capital funding (Agenda Item 6.02).
- The Board of Trustees received a presentation on the Ben Hayes Memorial Scholarship Program (Agenda Item 6.03).

- The Board of Trustees was provided an update on the Office of School Leadership reorganization and collaboration with WestEd on the systemic support plan to address the needs of students with disabilities (Agenda Item 6.04).
- The Board of Trustees approved the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) 3 from United Construction Company as the Construction Manager at Risk for the Management of Construction for the Expansion and Renovation at Darrel C. Swope Middle School, CMAR #C-62335A, in the amount of \$22,529,800 and approves an owner's contingency in the amount of \$900,000 for a total of \$23,429,800 (Agenda Item 6.05).
- The Board of Trustees received a presentation on the summer school and extended school year models to be used in schools for the summer of 2021 (Agenda Item 6.06).
- The Board of Trustees received a presentation on the creation of the Brave Space Program in the District. The Board received emails from two (2) members of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 6.07).
- The Board of Trustees took the following actions for the remainder of the 2020-21 School Year and received emails from 35 members of the community related to the agenda item:
 - The Board of Trustees accepted the recommendation to maintain the In-Person Learning model for elementary schools for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year with all elementary schools continuing to work to return more students to the school building;
 - The Board of Trustees approved the request of the Transportation Department to increase bus occupancy to 80% for the remainder of the 2020-21 School Year;
 - The Board of Trustees accepted the recommendation for middle schools to remain on the Hybrid Learning model for consistency of learning for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year with each middle school returning more students to the building as possible;
 - The Board of Trustees accepted the recommendation for high schools to remain on the Hybrid Learning model for consistency of learning for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year with each high school returning more students to the building as possible and with specific consideration for seniors (Agenda Item 6.05).

Meeting Announcements

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on May 11, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

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