

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
NOVEMBER 23, 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>

**Consent Agenda**

- The Board of Trustees provided final approval to the proposed revision of Board Policy 4505, Standards of Professional Conduct (Agenda Item 2.02)
- The Board of Trustees provided final approval to the proposed revision to Board Policy 4510, Protection of Students and Mandatory Reporting (Agenda Item 2.03).
- The Board of Trustees provided final approval of Board Policy 4550, Employee Interactions with Students (Agenda Item 2.04).
- The Board of Trustees provided final approval to the proposed revision of Board Policy 5025, Student Placement and Communication of Progress-Promotion, Acceleration, and Retention (Agenda Item 2.05).
- The Board of Trustees provided final approval to the proposed revision of Board Policy 5050 Academic Planning, Counseling, and Student Support (Agenda Item 2.06).
- The Board of Trustees approved the Memorandum of Understanding between the Washoe County School District and the Washoe School Principals' Association providing for approval of a fixed, range 42 placement for the position of Principal at Washoe Inspire School (Agenda Item 2.07).
- The Board of Trustees approved the Memorandum of Understanding between the Washoe County School District and the Washoe Education Association for the payment of stipends to Special Education Teachers for additional vacancy case management (Agenda Item 2.08).
- The Board of Trustees approved and adopted changes to the negotiated agreement between the Washoe County School District and the Washoe County School Police Officers' Association pursuant to interest arbitration (Agenda Item 2.09).
- The Board of Trustees approved, pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 286.523, Dispatch and School Police Officers as a critical labor shortage area in order to hire individuals under critical needs status (Agenda Item 2.10).

- 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 \$6,267 for the period October 1, 2021, through October 31, 2021, as required by Nevada Revised Statute 354.598005 (Agenda Item 2.11).
- The Board of Trustees approved the grant application to the anonymous donor for the Middle School Student Engagement and Improved Attendance Program not to exceed \$250,000 for January 3, 2022 through December 30, 2022. The Board heard from one (1) member of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 2.12).
- The Board of Trustees approved the purchase of the Follett Destiny System for the approximate cost of \$131,867.44 for the renewal of the program beginning February 28, 2022 and February 28, 2023 (Agenda Item 2.13).
- The Board of Trustees ratified the previous approvals and directed the Superintendent to execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Escrow Instructions regarding the 6.41-acres of District-owned property located at 771 Southwood Boulevard in Incline Village and approved the sale of the property for \$2.35 million to the Tahoe Transportation District, pursuant to Washoe County School District Board Resolution 20-009. The Board heard from 11 members of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 2.14).
- The Board of Trustees approved payout of 25% of Dr. Kristen McNeill’s unused sick days upon retirement, consistent with the Leadership Team Handbook and contract payoff procedures for other Leadership Team members as well as previous Superintendents. The Board heard from two (2) members of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 2.15).
- The Board of Trustees provided preliminary approval to the proposed revision of Board Policy 5100, Student Behavior, and initiated the 13-day public review and comment period. The Board heard from one (1) member of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 2.16).
- The Board of Trustees provided preliminary approval to the proposed revisions of Board Policy 5105 – Student Uniforms – Adoption of a Site-Based Policy, and initiated the 13-day public review and comment period. The Board heard from one (1) member of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 2.17).
- The Board of Trustees provided preliminary approval to the proposed revisions of Board Policy 5150 – Student Freedom of Speech, Freedom of Expression, and Right to Assemble, and initiated the 13-day public review and comment period. The Board heard from one (1) member of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 2.18).
- The Board of Trustees provided preliminary approval to the proposed revision of Board Policy 5250, Alcohol, Tobacco, and Controlled Substance: Student

Prevention and Intervention, and initiated the 13-day public review and comment period. The Board heard from one (1) member of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 2.19).

- The Board of Trustees provided preliminary approval to the proposed revision of Board Policy 5300, Student Activities, and initiated the 13-day public review and comment period (Agenda Item 2.20).
- The Board of Trustees provided preliminary approval to the proposed revision of Board Policy 5650, Student Suicide Prevention, and initiated the 13-day public review and comment period. The Board heard from one (1) member of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 2.21).

### **Items for Presentation/Discussion/Information/Action**

- The Board of Trustees identified The Bryan Group to support of the Superintendent Search process and authorizes staff to enter into a contract, not to exceed a total value of \$60,000 (Agenda Item 3.01).
- The Board of Trustees adopted Washoe County School District Board Resolution 21-022, A Resolution providing for: (1) the issuance of a General Obligation (Limited Tax) Medium-Term Bond, Series 2021B, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$3,400,000, for acquiring school buses and other support vehicles for the district; (2) providing the form, terms and conditions of the bond; and (3) authorizing the Superintendent or Chief Financial Officer of the District to accept a binding bid for the bond (Agenda Item 3.02).
- The Board of Trustees was provided information on Public Bodies of the District (Agenda Item 3.03).
- The Board of Trustees reversed the preliminary approval decision to move forward with Option A for new bell schedules and directed the Superintendent to conduct additional analysis on optimal learning times and the impacts to before and after school programming, student activities and athletics, and staffing shortages. The Board heard from 37 member of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 3.04).
- The Board of Trustees approved the proposed attendance zone changes for Verdi Elementary School, Roy Gomm Elementary School, B.D. Billingham Middle School, and Darrel Swope Middle School effective for the 2022-23 School Year, as recommended by the Zoning Advisory Committee. The Board heard from one (1) member of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 3.05).
- The Board of Trustees conducted a discussion on the hiring of a consultant to conduct professional development and on-going coaching for the Board. The Board heard from two (2) members of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 3.06).

- The Board of Trustees received an update on the activities of the Superintendent's Task Force for Supplementary Materials. The Board heard from five (5) members of the community related to this item (Agenda Item 3.07).
- Agenda Item 3.08, Discussion and Possible Action to review and provide direction on current COVID-19 mitigation measures, was pulled from the agenda (Agenda Item 3.08).

### **Public Comment**

- The Board of Trustees heard from eight (8) members of the community during the general public comment period (Agenda Item 5.01).

### **Meeting Announcements**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, December 14, 2021.

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