OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING
BELLINGHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
March 12, 2018

1.0 OPENING ITEMS
1.1 Meeting Date and Location:
4:30 p.m., Mar. 12, 2018 – Options High School, 2015 Franklin St., Bellingham, WA
1.2 Call to Order/Roll Call:
Ms. Bashaw called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Present: Directors Kelly Bashaw (President), Douglas Benjamin, Camille Diaz Hackler, Jenn Mason, Quenby Peterson, and Superintendent Greg Baker.

2.0 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/DISCUSSION
2.01 Community Linkages – General Discussion
• The board reviewed the schedule for upcoming linkages and discussed possible topics for future linkages.

2.02 Policy Governance and Board Handbook
• GP-7 Agenda Planning and its alignment to Operating Policy 1420 were discussed. The directors agreed to consider a revision to Policy 1420 at a future board meeting.

2.03 Superintendent Update – General Discussion
• Dr. Baker gave an update on major bodies of work through this year, including budget items and bond projects.

2.04 Superintendent Mid-Year Evaluation – General Discussion

2.05 Other topics as Determined
• WSSDA Board of Distinction: Applications open mid-June to early July and close in late September.
• WSSDA Annual Conference: General discussion regarding presentation opportunities. It was agreed that the board would focus on other work at this point.
• Board Self-Assessment: The directors agreed to complete a self-assessment again this spring.
• Superintendent Update: Dr. Baker will update the board on the 1:1 technology initiative at the Mar. 28 board meeting.
• School Safety Resolution: General discussion. The directors agreed to form a sub-committee to draft a resolution for board consideration at a future meeting.
• Equity: General discussion regarding the need to use an equity lens when reviewing board policy revisions. Resources include policies of other schools districts and the National School Board Association.
3. CLOSING ITEMS
3.1 Adjournment – 8:10 p.m.

Kelly Bashaw, School Board Vice President

Attest:

Greg Baker, Secretary to the Board

Minutes approved: Mar. 28, 2018