OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING
BELLINGHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
July 24, 2019

1.0 OPENING ITEMS
1.01 Meeting Date and Location
2 – 5 p.m., July 24, 2019 – Options High School, 2015 Franklin St., Bellingham, WA
1.02 Roll Call:
Directors Kelly Bashaw, Douglas Benjamin, Camille Diaz Hackler (President), Jenn Mason, Quenby Peterson and Superintendent Greg Baker.

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA
Mr. Benjamin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bashaw, to approve the following consent items:
2.1 Resolution 12-19, Rejection of All Bids Received for Fueling Services under Bid #1920-0530
2.2 Authorization to Call for Bids, Fueling Services
2.3 Approval of Minutes of the July 10, 2019 Regular Meeting

Unanimous affirmative vote.

3.0 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/DISCUSSION
3.01 Board Calendar for 2019-20 – Linkages and Study Sessions: The board reviewed and discussed GP 7.2 – 2019-20 annual board calendar. The discussion included a review of linkage and study session topics. Approval of the final version of GP 7.2 (see Attachment A) will occur at the Aug. 14, 2019 regular meeting.

3.02 Legislative Representative: There was discussion regarding changes to Policies 1210, 1220 and 1225, related to the board’s legislative representative and when that representative will be elected. The recommended changes to the policies will be made by district staff and presented for approval at the August 14, 2019 regular meeting. The August 14, 2019 meeting agenda will also include the election of a legislative representative.

3.03 Race and Equity Policy (EL-10): The board reviewed the draft Race and Equity policy (EL-10), which will be adopted at the August 14, 2019 regular meeting. The policy can be discussed further at the next retreat and following the Equity Policy linkage meeting.

3.04 Student Voice: There was discussion about “student roundtables”. There will be one student roundtable scheduled per semester. Mr. Benjamin and Ms. Mason will meet with staff to develop the process and format for the meetings.
3.05 **WSSDA Self-Assessment:** Time was spent reviewing the board’s goals from last year regarding communication. Communications will continue to be a goal of the board, and the district Communications and Community Relations Department will support the board with this goal, such as publishing the Inside Schools newsletter. The board will take WSSDA’s self-assessment again in May of 2020.

3.06 **Board Meeting Assessment Data:** After discussion, it was determined that GP-7.1, Board Self-Assessment, is a helpful tool. In the future, the board member who will be assessing the meeting will be identified at the beginning of the meeting, and the board member who is making the assessment will ask for any comments from the other board members to be added at the end of the meeting. Also, a summary will be provided each year to be reviewed at the board’s summer retreat.

3.07 **Climate Change/Conservation Discussion:** One of the study sessions for 2019-20 will be on the topic of climate change and conservation. Following that study session, the board will discuss next steps regarding a possible policy or resolution.

4.0 **CLOSING ITEMS**
4.1 **Adjournment – 4:17 p.m.**

Approved:

[Signature]

Camille Diaz Hackler, Board President

Attest:

[Signature]

Greg Baker, Secretary to the Board

Minutes approved: August 14, 2019