



Welcome to this Public Meeting of the  
NWRESD Board of Directors

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**April 11, 2023 4pm**  
**@ Levi Anderson Learning Center**  
*Executive Session & General Session*  
*Agenda Item Times Are Estimates*

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**Executive Session**

EXECUTIVE SESSION CALL TO ORDER - Chair Tomlin called the Executive Session to order at 4:16 pm

Board Attendees: IN PERSON: Ross Tomlin, Karen Cunningham, Doug Dougherty, Yadira Martinez, Christine Riley

VIRTUAL: Ernest Stephens, Diane Wilkinson, Maureen Wolf, Tony Erickson

Staff Attendees: Dan Goldman, Valerie White, David Williams

Guest Attendees: None

[192.660\(2\)\(d\)](#) To conduct deliberations with persons you have designated to carry on labor negotiations.

[192.660\(2\)\(i\)](#) To review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer of any public body, a public officer, employee or staff member who does not request an open hearing.

ADJOURN - Chair Tomlin adjourned the Executive Session at 4:44 pm

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**General Session**

GENERAL SESSION CALL TO ORDER - Chair Tomlin called the general session to order at 4:50 pm.

Board Attendees: IN PERSON: Ross Tomlin, Karen Cunningham, Doug Dougherty, Yadira Martinez, Christine Riley

VIRTUAL: Ernest Stephens, Diane Wilkinson, Maureen Wolf, Tony Erickson

Staff Attendees: Dan Goldman, Valerie White, David Williams, Sherry Ely, Debbie Simons, Stuart Long, Kelsey Cardwell, S. Liwaru, Megan McCarter, Cathleen Jensen, Lisa Bates, Katie Jones, Cara Olson-Sawyer, Bethany Bowers, Sarah Walker.

Guest Attendees: Jordan Ely

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Chair Tomlin led the board in the pledge of allegiance and Director Cunningham provided the land acknowledgement.

AGENDA REVIEW/REVISION - None

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Goldman opened his report by thanking Lisa Bates for hosting the meeting in the chapel at Levi Anderson Learning Center and greeting board members in attendance at our first in-person meeting in several months. He thanked the HR department for their recruitment efforts, including participation in the Oregon Professional Educator Fair and recruitment efforts at our Washington Service Center. In this vein, Superintendent Goldman announced our CFO's retirement and introduced incoming (July 1) CFO, Jordan Ely. A legislative update was given, identifying specific bills which are of particular importance to our agency. Additionally, a facilities update included current information about the planned expansion of our Hillsboro Early Learning site to include a move of our Early Learning Department staff and Intake and Evaluation teams. This also included updates on our Clatsop Service Center move back to Astoria in July. Finally, Superintendent Goldman celebrated the April 4th groundbreaking of the Westside Junior Achievement/BizTown in Downtown Hillsboro and its goal to serve many more students in our region.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

## RECOGNITION AND GOOD NEWS

Kelsey Cardwell, Communications Director, recognized our first Grow Your Own program cohort with Western Oregon University (WOU). Debbie Simons, CHRO, gave some history about the program and assistance which is being offered to this group. Director Cardwell and Levi Anderson Learning Center Principal Lisa Bates introduced Margaret O'Meara and John Lermon, two participants of this program who work at Levi Anderson LC, and thanked them for their efforts. Chair Tomlin asked about the length of the program, Vice Chair Dougherty asked what one of their weeks looked like when adding college courses to a full-time job. Both participants shared their experiences with the board.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Tomlin entertained a motion by Director Cunningham to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Riley and approved unanimously.

## REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

Executive Director of K-12 Special Education, Cathleen Jensen, presented evidence of SEL schools' meeting of the NWRES D PLC strategic plans; encompassing a focus on learning, a collaborative culture with collective responsibility and being results oriented. Equity Coach Katie Jones, REAP Program Manager Tyler Bussey, and LALC Principal Lisa Bates introduced themselves and two student council members from LALC and the Equity Learning Team's efforts to meet strategic plan goals. These student leaders discussed the work they have done in a relatively short time (since December) in setting up a student government for LALC to hear student voice. Board members were impressed with these students' work and engagement with student council. Superintendent Goldman invited the Student Council Chief of Staff to use their time with the board to ask for supports. Their response was to request pay raises for NWRES D teaching staff.

## ACTION ITEMS

Approve March 2023 Financial Report: CFO Ely reviewed the March Financial Report, discussing Chair Tomlin entertained a motion by Vice Chair Dougherty to accept the March financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Martinez and approved unanimously.

Approve Resolution 23-006 - Licensed Appreciation Week: CHRO Simons read the resolution to the board. Chair Tomlin entertained a motion by Director Riley to accept Resolution 23-006 as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Cunningham and approved unanimously.

Approve Resolution 23-007 - Asian-American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month: Equity & Family Partnerships Director S.Z. Liwaru read the resolution to the board. Board members noted that the resources included make the resolution more meaningful and helpful to understanding. Chair Tomlin entertained a motion by Director Cunningham to accept Resolution 23-007 as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Wilkinson and approved unanimously.

Appointment of budget committee member, Clinton Nelson : CFO Ely introduced a new Chair Tomlin entertained a motion by Director Riley to accept the budget committee member as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Stephens and approved unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS - Director Erickson asked if the public can attend the Native Youth Wellness PowWow to which Superintendent Goldman responded in the affirmative . Superintendent Goldman again thanked Sherry Ely for her stabilizing presence in the fiscal department this year. Chair Tomlin thanked LALC Principal Lisa Bates for hosting.

ADJOURN Chair Tomlin adjourned the meeting at 6:01 pm.