



# Northwest Regional Education Service District

Welcome to this Public Meeting of the  
NWRESD Board of Directors  
*Executive Session, Budget Hearing, General Session*

## **Executive Session**

CALL TO ORDER - Chair Tomlin called this Executive Session to order at 4:02 pm.

*Board in attendance:* In Person: Karen Cunningham, Doug Dougherty, Christine Riley, Ross Tomlin, Diane Wilkinson, Virtual: Maureen Wolf, Ernest Stephens, Tony Erickson, Yadira Martinez

*Staff in attendance:* Dan Goldman, Debbie Simons, David Williams, Sherry Ely, Valerie White, Stuart Long

*Guests in attendance:* Brett Mersereau

ORS 192.660(2)(d): To conduct deliberations with persons you have designated to carry on labor negotiations.

ORS 192.660(2)(h): To consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

ADJOURN - Chair Tomlin adjourned this Executive Session at 4:31 pm.

## **Budget Hearing**

1.OPEN BUDGET HEARING - Chair Tomlin opened the budget hearing at 4:36 pm

BUDGET PRESENTATION - CFO Sherry Ely reported on the proposed budget, including the legislative stalemate and fallout the NWRESD may experience. Superintendent Dan Goldman also commented on the budget with respect to a \$60 million shortfall in the governor's early learning budget and the impact an inadequate funding level would have on the NWRESD.

DELIBERATIONS - [Budget Committee Approved 2023-2024 Budget](#) - Chair Tomlin asked if there were any questions about the approved budget or CFO Ely's budget presentation . There were none.

RESOLUTION - [Adopt NWRESD 2023-24 Budget - Resolution #23-010](#) - Chair Tomlin entertained a motion by Director Cunningham to adopt NWRESD 2023-24 Budget - Resolution #23-010. The motion was seconded by Director Wilkinson and approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT - Julia Mace, NWRESD licensed staff, provided a public comment.

*The Northwest Regional Education Service District Board of Directors appreciates community members sharing information during public comments. Members of the community wishing to address the Board will complete a [Public Comment Request](#) prior to the beginning of the board meeting. The Board requests comments be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. Speakers will state their name and home address for the record. While the Board does not respond to public comment, following the meeting the Chair, Vice Chair, and Superintendent will together determine the appropriate level of response. Speakers may offer objective criticism of district operations or programs, but the Board will not hear complaints concerning specific district personnel.*

CLOSE BUDGET HEARING - Chair Tomlin closed the budget hearing at 4:54 pm.

## **General Session**

1. CALL TO ORDER - Chair Tomlin called this general session to order at 4:55 pm.

*Board in attendance:* In Person: Karen Cunningham, Doug Dougherty, Christine Riley, Ross Tomlin, Diane Wilkinson, Virtual: Maureen Wolf, Ernest Stephens, Tony Erickson, Yadira Martinez

*Staff in attendance:* Dan Goldman, Debbie Simons, David Williams, Sherry Ely, Valerie White, Stuart Long, Megan McCarter, Kelsey Soltysiak, SZ Liwaru, Brian Bain.

*Guests in attendance:* In Person: Heather Higashi, Elsa Young, Alyson Kinzler, Erin Dupuis, Karen Sue Crowley, Indigo Davis, Katy Ettlting, Krista Jackson, Sheri Johnson, Sam Spies, Samantha Stidham, Anastasia Gordon, James Gordon, Kathryn Gordon, Sarah Andrews, Elena Barreto, Olson Miller, Eva Manderson, Patricia Burros, Bethany Bowers Virtual: Brad Turano, Chelsea Tumbarello, Erin Sanderson, Keri Esser, Rhiannon Stout, Mary Dorry, Jill Hudanish, Vanessa Hernandez, Hannah Douglass, Jena Stewart, Sue Schimmelpfennig, Melissa Fonder, Lori Bearden, Laura Christensen, Julia Mace, Melissa Hampton, Rachel Prevost, Lisa Mellan, Jody Dungay, Amber Carini, Mithu Dasgupta,

Kristen Miyasaki, Kate Sacrison, Lara M Barghi, Sarah Davis, Lisa Crisi, Ginger Gamboa, Lindsey Wineland, Lisa Regier, Tina Meier-Nowell, Sara Dinneen, Lori Dyer, Terry Larkin, Whitney Wagner, Terri Pratt, Kristy Friday, Lauren Sagun, Tera VanDyke, Sarah Davis, Tiffany Hall, Shannon Hamerman, Jessica Duffett, Cathay Jensen, Olson Miller, Caryn Cushman, ErinDupuis

[PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT](#) - Chair Tomlin led the board, staff and guests in the pledge of allegiance. Director Wilkinson recited the land acknowledgement.

AGENDA REVIEW/REVISION - N/A

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT - Superintendent Goldman reviewed the June 2023 Superintendent Report and reflected on the past year as well as the hard work our staff has done on behalf of students. The Oregon legislative session and the scenarios which could play out were discussed. Superintendent Goldman gave an update on the NWRESDs current building projects. Next, Superintendent Goldman updated the board on administrative staff changes. Finally, he thanked our two retiring board directors, Director Cunningham and Director Wilkinson, and presented them with plaques and paintings created by students in our SEL programs and component districts.

RECOGNITION AND GOOD NEWS - [Cascade and Pacific Academies Food Pantry](#) - School-based Administrative Specialist Patricia Burros and Principal Bethany Bowers from Cascade/Pacific Academy spoke about the food pantry, the families who are served and challenges to having enough food and funding to continue.

CONSENT AGENDA - Chair Tomlin entertained a motion by Director Riley to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Director Cunningham and approved unanimously.

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION - [Child Care Resource and Referral](#) - Eva Manderson presented the CCR&R program to the board and discussed partnerships and training options available through their programs. Director Wilkinson stated she had been to a training and was impressed by CCR&R's work with local providers. Chair Tomlin also noted the importance of CCR&R's work in Tillamook County and asked about changes Ms Manderson is seeing. [Strategic Plan Milestones](#) - Director of Research, Assessment and Evaluation Brian Bain and Chief of Staff David Williams presented where the NWRESD is with regard to the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan and changes that may be necessary to meet those collective commitments. [First Read Policies: JGE - Expulsions](#) - CHRO Debbie Simons presented Policy JGE and discussed the unusual expulsion policy in that we must have an expulsion policy, however, students in our SEL schools, if they were to be expelled, that decision would come from the Superintendent of that student's district. Legislative initiatives may bring us back to this policy for further changes in the future. Superintendent Goldman noted that the Board policy committee and has selected that any expulsions would be referred to himself and stated that most districts refer to their superintendent with appeals going to the board of directors rather than the state of Oregon.

ACTION ITEMS - [Approve Resolution #23-009 - Juneteenth](#) - Director of Equity and Family Partnerships SZ Liwaru presented Resolution #23-009 - Juneteenth. Liwaru recited the resolution and offered resources to celebrate this now federal holiday. Chair Tomlin thanked Liwaru for the resources he presented with his resolution. Chair Tomlin then entertained a motion by Director Stephens to approve Resolution #23-009 - Juneteenth. The motion was seconded by Director Erickson and approved unanimously.

[Approve 2021-22 Financial Audit](#) - CFO Sherry Ely and Brad Turano, Auditor with Pauly-Rogers, presented the NWRESD 2021-22 Financial Audit and discussed the process. No exceptions or issues were found. Superintendent Goldman noted that this was a challenging audit year and noted that Holly Langan's work was exceptional. Chair Tomlin entertained a motion by Director Riley to approve the 2021-22 Financial Audit. The motion was seconded by Director Dougherty and approved unanimously.

[Approve Resolution #23-013 - Aloclek Property Acquisition](#) - CFO Ely gave a short summary of the resolution for the board. Chair Tomlin entertained a motion by Director Riley to approve Resolution #23-013 - Aloclek Property Acquisition. The motion was seconded by Director Wilkinson and approved unanimously.

9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS - Director Cunningham and Director Wilkinson noted that they will miss the remaining board members.

10. ADJOURN - Chair Tomlin adjourned this General Session at 6:31 pm.