



Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday, Feb. 22, 2024 4-5:30 p.m.

Location: Zoom

Attendees:

Yuen Chin
Joe Christy
Jeff Condit
Karen Foley
Nancy Ford
Tracey Goldner
Grant Lawson
Andi Miller
Christine Riley
Katie Riley
Samone Marie Wainright

Absent:

Miriam Meneses-Rios
Janet Bucio

4 p.m. - Welcome and Call to Order

Karen Foley welcomed everyone and reviewed the agenda.

NWRESD Priorities and Updates - Dan Goldman

Dan Goldman shares ESD priorities and updates

- Covers labor relations in the region, state and country
- How we are advocating for more funding at the state level
 - He covers our EI/ECSE funding deficit (15% reduction)
 - Working to get the program functional for kids in a resource-deprived environment
 - Still trying to get kids with disabilities into more inclusive classrooms
 - Plan to open a new building in Hillsboro with inclusive preschool to create more spaces for children (opening summer 2025)

Dan opened it up to questions.

Chris Riley mentioned the local service plan presentation and adoption process is going well so far.

Andi Miller asked if there are grants coming down the pike that the foundation should be aware of.

Dan says the ESD has stood up grant writing services for districts that have been very successful.

Grant asked about public school enrollment and whether the declines we're seeing in the state and nation are happening in our region.

Dan shared that enrollment is dropping but not as much as the rest of the state.

Karen asked about the number of students with disabilities and the trends with those numbers.

Dan shared state caps schools at 11% of students that can qualify for special education funding, but the districts see 15-20% of students with disabilities.

- Emerging from the pandemic, we're seeing more challenging behaviors in the early grades as children get resocialized.

Potential Board Member Intro

Samone Wainright joined the meeting and is interested in joining the board.

She shared about herself. She has a child with a disability and is active on local boards and initiatives.

- Passionate about yoga, meditation
- Says she makes time for things she feels are important

The board members introduced themselves.

Samone signed off. Meeting resumed.

Board Actions

Nancy Ford moved to accept Samone Wainright to the board.

Joe Christy seconded the motion.

The board unanimously accepted Samone to the board of directors.

Karen will provide new board member orientation materials.

Karen shared there is a lot of work coming up in the next few months. Work will need to happen over email since we don't have a meeting scheduled until June 26. Votes by email are OK as long as everyone participates per nonprofit board regulations.

Nancy moved to approve the Nov. 16 minutes - Does anyone have changes or corrections. Minutes are approved as submitted.

Board discussed upcoming fundraiser at Miller Nash

- Board discussed possible dates for the event
- Karen will check with absent board members
- Board identified one date in April and two dates in May at 5:30-7 p.m.
- Board decided to show photos during the event and focus on storytelling
- Space can hold 100 people
- Nancy will set up fundraising committee meeting dates
- Karen asked everyone to network for auction items
- Grant suggested inviting business leaders

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- Annual Foundation Meeting - June 26, 5-7 p.m. Board Member Home

Meeting Recording

<https://nwresd-K12-or-us.zoom.us/rec/share/G7E99fOU86uJP7wnNG8Yw45K3-a1qE8qpK5HAPaVsOjZPVhulyhkRt0xYa2LFjDv.JYXEiKhmoEFIhDjh>

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