

## LA CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

## BOARD WORKSHOP MINUTES

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 7:00 p.m. HS Library

## CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

- 1. <u>Budget Update</u> Peter Rosenkranz and Nancy Carner presented a powerpoint on the budget. The budget is close to final numbers. They are solid but still estimated. There was one concern with the budget and that was the projected impact fees for next year. Due to increased building costs, building in La Center could slow which would reduce the projected number significantly. Nancy will do a 5 year average of past impact fees and will update the budget. She will present more final numbers at the May 25<sup>th</sup> board meeting.
- 2. Mr. Rosenkranz added an agenda item regarding close contacts and quarantining. Students are required to quarantine for at least 10 days if they are identified as a close contact to someone that tested positive for Covid. The district is concerned that seniors could potentially need to quarantine if they have a close contact after June 9 and would be required to miss graduation. The district proposed to the board that seniors' last day could be June 9 to prevent a possible exposure at school and the need to quarantine. The board agreed that they would not want them to miss graduation because of a potential exposure so close to the end of the school year. Students would still need to finish work so they earn the credits necessary for graduation.
- 3. Academic and Student Well-being Recovery Plan a draft resolution and equity lens was handed out to the board for their review. A resolution will be on the May 25 agenda for board approval. The plan and lens are needed to receive federal ESSER II funding.
  - Mr. Rosenkranz gave the board a copy of Washington bill SB5044, an act relating to equity, cultural competency, and dismantling institutional racism in the public school system that was signed May 5, 2021 by Governor Inslee. The district has been receiving calls regarding critical race theory. CRT is not specifically mentioned in the bill. The cons to the bill is that is has language synonymous with CRT and the pros are that it is to root out racism. The district has always supported all students and wants all students to be successful. The values of the district is to allow students to discuss, debate and think for themselves. Everyone is allowed to have their view and the district is inclusive of everyone. The board discussed that everyone should be treated the same as this is a country of equal opportunity. People need to be held accountable for their own actions, not the actions of others past or present.

The board encourages citizens to contact the legislature to express their concerns. They also encouraged citizens to become more active and to contact the board if they would be interested in taking a more active role. The district's equity lens is a start to the tools we can have in place along with the ends policies and the mission statement that the district provides equal opportunities for all students.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.	
Board Secretary	Board Chair
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