

## ACE Meeting Minutes

*The purpose of the Advisory Council for Education is to provide a systematic representative public involvement in educational decisions under consideration by the Board of Directors.*

**Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2018**  
**6:00-7:30 p.m.**

### **Call to order**

Dr. Chrys Sweeting called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

### **Members Present**

Maggie Bagwell, Ryan Barci, Arianne Blackburn, Sarah Blake, Sarah Cofer, Kathy Ehman, Jen Fuller, Pedro Gonzales, Natalie Hollifield, Hanna Novy, Gary Sabol, Chrys Sweeting

### **Members Absent**

Linda Bollinger, Lisa Coghill, Yvonne Gallardo, Cindy Glunt, Jillian Gooding, Sheri Kelly, Mary Levesque, Kimberly Meno, Casey Miller, Virginia Muniz, Jomo Simpkins, Matt Washburn

### **Guest Present**

Gina Zeutenhorst

### **Approve minutes**

Sarah Blake made a motion to approve the Dec. 4 minutes. Ryan Barci seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by voice vote.

### **Elect Vice Chair**

Dr. Sweeting asked the committee to be thinking about serving as vice chair. She asked them to let Mary Levesque know if they'd like to serve.

### **District Updates**

- The State of the District Address will take place on Jan. 18. Culinary Arts students will be serving pie. There will also be a tour of Post Middle School.
- Dec. 13- Gary Howard was here. He talked about trauma informed practices. Next Tuesday, Cabinet will debrief with Gary Howard. The district wants to get better and better at being culturally responsive.
- Several administrators are taking part in the Washington State Learning Academy. They are in the process of identifying a problem of practice that they can address.

### **How School Funding Works**

Gina Zeutenhorst, Executive Director of Financial Services, gave a presentation on how funding works in schools.

### **How is our budget divided?**

It's divided into five funds: General Fund; ASB; Debt Service Fund; Capital Projects Fund and Transportation Vehicle Fund.

### **Where does our funding come from?**

State dollars- 73.5%  
Federal dollars- 4.2%

Local taxes- 19.7%

**How is the money distributed? How is it used? What do we spend money on?**

Two basic factors determine how resources are allocated to schools:

- The number of students at the school, and
- The special needs of students, such as poverty, disabilities, and limited English language skills.

Most of the general fund pays to support student learning in four ways:

- Teaching and teaching support
- School administration
- Central administration
- Other support activities

What do we spend money on?

- Salaries and benefits
- Benefits
- Other expenses- non personnel costs

**HB 2242 State Funding**

Zeutenhorst also talked about House Bill 2242. HB 2242 was a response to the McCleary decision. There will be changes in school funding taking place over the next three years. The upcoming 60-day supplemental Legislative session is important to try to get clarity surrounding HB 2242.

Maggie Bagwell made a motion to adjourn and Pedro Gonzales seconded the motion. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25.

**Next Meeting: Monday, Feb. 5**