



Tacoma School District

Minutes

Board of Directors Special Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday September 25, 2025 at 5:30 PM

The Tacoma Public Schools Board of Directors will meet for a Special Meeting on the date and time above in the 4th Floor Boardroom at the Central Administration Building. All regular Board Business Meetings, Committee of the Whole, and Study Session meetings are open public meetings and everyone is encouraged to attend. Executive sessions are closed to the public. Public parking and the main entrance are located on the west side of the building at South G Street.

ACCOMMODATION

Persons requiring accommodations for a disability in order to attend a Board meeting (including the services of a sign language interpreter or those who want to speak at a board meeting but are advised not to attend in-person due to health risks) should contact the Board Office at 253.571.1443 before 4:30 p.m. at least three working days before the meeting to ensure that the District has time to implement appropriate accommodations.

NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

Tacoma Public Schools does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, ethnicity, creed, religion, color, national origin, immigration or citizenship status, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, homelessness, disability, neurodivergence, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

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INTERPRETER

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Directors Present

C. McElroy, E. Bonbright, K. Strozier

Directors Absent

E. Leon, L. Keating

Guests Present

Forrest Griek, Director of Labor Relations & Whole Educator, Joshua Garcia, Superintendent, Lisa Nolan, Deputy Superintendent, Malik Gbenro, General Counsel, T. Jones (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Board President Strozier called the Special Meeting to order and turned the discussion over to General Counsel Gbenro.

B. Roll Call

C. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda for the Special Meeting/Executive Session was adopted as presented.

II. Executive Session

A.

Purpose

The purpose of the Executive Session was to discuss with Legal Counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion could likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency under RCW 42.30.110(i). Executive sessions are closed to the public.

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Board President Strozier adjourned the Special Meeting & Executive Session at 5:55PM. There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
T. Jones