

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Special Meeting - 5:30 PM
March 22, 2022
364 S Park St
Walla Walla, WA 99362

The Board of Directors has scheduled a special meeting on March 22 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss legislative priorities. The special meeting is expected to conclude at approximately 6:30 p.m. No public testimony or school board final action is planned. The meeting is open to the public.

*The Board of Directors anticipates attending this meeting remotely over Zoom. Members of the public may watch this meeting remotely or may view the virtual meeting at the following location: 364 S. Park Street, Walla Walla, WA 99362.

- Watch Live: <https://wwps-org.zoom.us/j/96468247628>

- Listen: Dial 1-253-215-8782 and enter the Webinar ID: 964 6824 7628

Spanish Agenda / Agenda Español: <https://www.wwps.org/district/information/school-board/board-meeting-schedule>

I. **CALL TO ORDER:** (5:30 p.m.) *Mrs. Ladderud*

II. **ROLL CALL:**

Mrs. Ruth Ladderud, President Mr. Eric Rindal

Mrs. Terri Trick, Vice President Mr. Derek Sarley

Ms. Kathy Mulkerin

III. **STUDY ITEMS:** *Mrs. Ladderud*

1. Legislative Priorities Discussion with Lobbyist: *Mrs. Marie Sullivan*

IV. **ADJOURNMENT:** (6:30 p.m.) *Mrs. Ladderud*

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PLANNING FOR 2023

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WWPS BOARD OF DIRECTORS & MARIE SULLIVAN, LEGISLATIVE CONSULTANT

BIG TICKET ITEMS FROM 2022

- Enrollment stabilization – last year for apportionment stabilization; 2023 for levies
- Physical, social and emotional staff – increases, but will they be enough? What’s missing from the [Staffing Enrichment Workgroup report](#) from 2019? ³
- Transportation – special populations, but no policy bills – adjusting to make them work going forward
 - [HB 1808](#) – no modifications
 - [SSB 5581](#) – modified in Senate for small districts

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- [HB 2011](#) – maintaining 1.0 student FTE funding in districts with less than 3,000 students with significant participation in skill centers. (Rep. Alicia Rule, D – Blaine).
- [K-12 Basic Education Compensation Advisory Committee](#) – OSPI-led group, recommendations due September 30, 2022.
 - Rebasing salaries, compensation adjustments (i.e., regionalization, experience factor) in the 2023 session for the 2023-24 school year.
 - \$1.1M impact to WWPS if 4% experience factor is not renewed
 - Proposals on compensation strategies are being sought through end of April 2022



LOOKING AHEAD TO 2023

- 2022 Election Year
 - 12+ open seats House
 - 4+ open seats Senate
- 2020 election “freshmen” haven’t been in person for most part
- Likely 1/3 new legislature but no changes in 16th district anticipated
- 2023-25 biennium, 2025-27 outlook
- Bills start fresh
- School Reconstruction Plan
 - Rebuilding our schools after the pandemic

THINKING ABOUT PRIORITIES FOR 2023

SOME QUESTIONS

- What are the biggest challenges facing the district?
- What are the pending cliffs when ESSER funding is gone?
- What are some state-level policy barriers or challenges?
 - Attracting and retaining high-quality staff
 - Early learning & Transitional Kindergarten
 - Mastery-based learning/Profile of a Graduate
- Are there some unique opportunities, issues to support student success for WWPS?
 - Are there 1-2 specific priorities for budget, for policy?
- What are the state-level topics WWPS will support?