

PE ELL SCHOOL DISTRICT 301  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
JUNE 29, 2026  
BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:  
CECILE BAGGENSTOS, CHAIR  
MARA MCGRATH  
JASON PHELPS  
CHAD BURNETT  
CHRIS DODD

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OTHERS PRESENT:  
BOBBY MCCALDEN, REC. SEC.  
KEITH SHEPHERD  
COMMUNITY MEMBERS  
CHRIS RUST NW LEADERSHIP ASSOC.

SPECIAL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIR, CECILE BAGGENSTOS AT 5:00 P.M.

THE BOARD HEARD PUBLIC COMMENT FROM VISITORS.

CHRIS DODD MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF SUPERINTENDENT KYLE  
MACDONALD. JASON PHELPS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

SUPT.  
RESIGNATION

THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE RECRUITMENT OF A NEW SUPERINTENDENT WITH CHRIS RUST FROM  
NORTHWEST LEADERSHIP ASSOCIATES.

SUPT.  
SEARCH

CHRIS DODD MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT ROBERT MCCALDEN AS ACTING SUPERINTENDENT  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026. CHAD BURNETT SECONDED. ROLL CALL VOTE: UNANIMOUS AYES.  
MOTION CARRIED.

ACTING  
SUPT.

ROBERT MCCALDEN TOOK THE OATH OF OFFICE TO BE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT EFFECTIVE  
JULY 1, 2026.

OATH OF  
OFFICE

THE BOARD DISCUSSED PLANS FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE ADMIN TEAM OPTIONS.

ADMIN TEAM

THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE ISSUE OF OPEN OR CLOSED CAMPUS FOR PE ELL STUDENTS  
AND THE POTENTIAL FOR OPEN COMMENT ON THE ISSUE DURING THE JULY MEETING.

OPEN CAMPUS

THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE STAFF AND STUDENT HANDBOOKS FOR 2026-2027.

HANDBOOKS

CHRIS DODD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #5 FOR THE K12  
MODERNIZATION PROJECT. JASON PHELPS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

K12 MOD  
PROJECT

JASON PHELPS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-07 APPOINTMENT OF  
DISTRICT CLAIMS AGENT. JASON PHELPS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

RES. 2026-07

JASON PHELPS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-08 AUTHORIZATION OF  
FACSIMILE SIGNATURE. CHRIS DODD SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

RES. 2026-08

JASON PHELPS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-09 AUTHORIZATION OF  
WARRANT SIGNATURE. CHRIS DODD SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

RES. 2026-09

JASON PHELPS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-10 AUTHORIZATION TO  
INVEST FUNDS. CHRIS DODD SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

RES. 2026-10

JASON PHELPS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-11 DESIGNATION OF  
DISTRICT AGENT. CHRIS DODD SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.

RES. 2026-11

JASON PHELPS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-12 DESIGNATION OF AUDITING OFFICERS. CHRIS DODD SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED. RES. 2026-12

JASON PHELPS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-13 CERTIFIED SIGNATURES OF DISTRICT PERSONNEL TO SIGN CONSTRUCTION PROJECT DOCUMENTS. CHRIS DODD SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED. RES. 2026-13

JASON PHELPS MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION UNTIL 6:15 TO DISCUSS THE PERFORMANCE OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE. MARA MCGRATH SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MEETING RECONVENED.

JASON PHELPS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 6:16 PM. CHAD BURNETT SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING, JULY 20, 2026.

*Cecile Baggenstos*

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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

*Bobby McCalden*

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SECRETARY OF THE BOARD



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