

WORK STUDY MEETING MINUTES BOARD OF DIRECTORS MOUNT VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT Wednesday, March 16, 2022, 5:15 p.m.

Madison Elementary School, In-Person and Zoom

The Board of Directors of the Mount Vernon School District, Skagit County, Washington called to order a work study meeting at 5:15 p.m. at Madison Elementary School, 907 E. Fir Street, Mount Vernon, WA and via zoom.

In attendance was Director Otos, Director Ragusa, Director Cailloux, Director Samora, and Director Coffey. A quorum was present. Also present, Superintendent Vivanco, several staff members, and an interpreter.

Kecia Fox, Principal of Skagit Academy and Aspire Academy, and Stephanie Thomas, Director of Mount Vernon Virtual Learning and the Open Doors program, were present with several staff members to provide information on the district's choice school offerings.

Information required by the state regarding description, enrollment, students, and more, was briefly reviewed. That information will be included as an action item during the regular board meeting.

Staff shared with the board the overview, bright spots, new programming, and next steps for the various programs. Each program is geared specifically to student need, providing individual student support and care to improve success.

Director Ragusa thanked staff for their in-depth presentation and said the programs are very exciting. Director Cailloux inquired how people find out about the various programs. Principal Fox said there are many ways including school counselors, word of mouth, and parent investigation into alternative opportunities.

No action was taken. The meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Larry Otos, Board President Ismael Vivanco, Superintendent