



**WORK STUDY SESSION MINUTES  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MOUNT VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Wednesday, January 19, 2022, 5:00 p.m.  
Madison Elementary School In-Person and via Zoom**

The board of Directors of the Mount Vernon School District Skagit county, Washington called to order a work study meeting at 5:00 p.m.


In attendance was Director Otos, Director Ragusa, Director Cailloux, Director Samora, and Director Coffey, a quorum was present. Also, Superintendent Vivanco. Multiple staff members were present, some included were D. Berard, B. Vargas, B. Nutting, S. Nutting, D. Rodriguez, M. Van Straten, T. Papendorf, C. Sage, J. Sager

The board heard a quarterly presentation on Equity & Inclusion by David Rodriguez, Director of Equity & Inclusion, and multiple staff. He reviewed the engagement and district wide reflection of leadership, changing systems, and hiring practices. He discussed professional learning and engagement opportunities for families. He and staff shared instructional strategies and curriculum relating to learning environments. He reviewed the affinity group and work.

The board heard the Data Dashboard for mid-year as presented by Director Stephanie Thomas. Topics including the status of early learning testing for literacy in grades K-3, and grades 4-10, as well as actions taken to improve proficiency. She reviewed early learning in K-3 math, and grades 4-10, as well as actions taken to improve. She shared information on the transitional kindergarten program for students entering elementary. English Language Arts proficiency was reviewed for grades 3-10, a discussion about students transitioning out of the transitional bilingual instructional program was held. Last, family and community engagement, as well as individual determination and creativity were reviewed. An in-depth discussion regarding graduation rates was held, noting an overall increase.

No action was taken and the meeting adjourned at 5:53.

  
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Larry Otos, Board President

  
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Ismael Vivanco, Superintendent