

WORK STUDY SESSION MINUTES BOARD OF DIRECTORS MOUNT VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT Wednesday, February 2, 2022, 5:15 p.m.

The Board of Directors of the Mount Vernon School District, Skagit County, Washington, held a work study meeting to hear an update on the Latinos in Action program. The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. at Madison Elementary School, 907 E> Fir Street, Mount Vernon, WA and via zoom. In attendance were Directors Otos, Coffey, Ragusa, Samora, and Cailloux. A quorum was present. Also, in attendance was Superintendent Vivanco and a large number of staff and students.

Dr. Wattawa, Mount Vernon High School principal, provided an overview of how the LIA program began last school. She noted that 146 students took the course in the first year, under the direction of three teacher leads. Several students addressed the board, commenting on the impact the LIA program has had on them individually.

The board thanked the students for their comments. Director Samora inquired if there is a structured curriculum; teacher Rivera replied there is. Director Cailloux thanked the students for their comments and is looking forward to seeing the student at Skagit Valley College. Dr. Coffey commented he enjoyed the energy. Dr. Vivanco thanked the students and teachers for their hard work. He thanked Dr. Wattawa for her leadership, noting this program is part of the Racial Equity Policy and it is rewarding to see it in action.

There was no further discussion and the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Larry Otos, Director Board President Ismael Vivanco, Superintendent Board Secretary