



**Official Meeting Minutes: Community Linkage Special Meeting
Wade King Elementary School
April 25, 2018
6-7 p.m.**

Linkage Attendees:

Families/Students/Community Members:

- **Kati & Rob Berreth & Owen, Lilli, Emma & Judson**
- **Curran Cummings**
- **Esmeralda Ortiz & Merly**
- **Pam Kuntz & Jack**
- **Sofia Medina**

Directors **Kelly Bashaw, Douglas Benjamin, Camille Diaz Hackler, Jenn Mason, Quenby Peterson**

Superintendent of Schools **Greg Baker**

District Leadership and Staff: Deputy Superintendent **Mike Copland**, Executive Director **Rob McElroy**; Assistant Superintendent **Bob Kuehl**; Assistant Superintendent **Simone Sangster**, Executive Director **Ron Cowan**, Executive Director **Kurt Gazow**, Elementary School Principals: **Micah Smith** (Alderwood); **Eric Paige** (Carl Cozier); **Stephanie Johnson** (Wade King); **Lynn Heimsoth** (Sunnyland); **Aaron Darragh** (Columbia); **Pam Pottle** (Northern Heights); Wade King Dean of Students **Paul Gutzler**; Interpreter **Erika Quintanilla**; Sunnyland Counselor **Kari I**

Large Group Discussion with School Board: For discussion purposes, attendees divided into two groups. Dr. Copland facilitated one group; Rob McElroy facilitated the others. Following is a summary of responses to the guiding questions:

What resonates in The Bellingham Promise:

- *All children should be loved.*
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At the close of the formal meeting, Dr. Baker and Mr. McElroy summarized key talking points and Ms. Diaz Hackler thanked attendees for their participation. She encouraged those in the group to use the school board's Listening Post if they would like to continue to communicate directly with the board. Dr. Baker and Mr. McElroy summarized key talking points.