

Shoreline Board of Directors**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

April 5, 2022

TO: Members, Shoreline Board of Directors**ISSUE:** X **ACTION** Authorization of Settlement Agreement with Eric Hood
--attached**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

On September 16, 2020 Eric Hood filed a public records request with the District, and the District responded to the request the same day. On September 22, 2021 Mr. Hood filed a complaint against the District with the Superior Court of King County, alleging violations of the public records act. On March 4, 2022 the Superior Court issued an Order of Summary Judgment dismissing the lawsuit with prejudice. Following the Superior Court's order decision, Mr. Hood filed a notice of appeal with the Court.

The Board held an executive session with legal counsel and District staff on March 22, 2022, to review the issues and discuss a proposed settlement agreement to avoid the cost of further litigation. The District reached an agreement with Mr. Hood on March 24, 2022, within the parameters established by the Board. In alignment with Policy 7320, Financial Management – Purchasing: Authorization and Control, Superintendent Reyes executed the final settlement agreement (attached).

District staff now recommends formal Board approval of the settlement agreement with Eric Hood in the amount of \$12,500.00, to resolve this dispute and any and all claims related to this issue.

FISCAL IMPACT:

- CURRENT REVENUE SOURCE: General Fund Operating Budget

RECOMMENDED DECISION:

The Superintendent recommends Board authorization of the settlement agreement between Eric Hood and Shoreline School District to fully and finally resolve all matters related to disputes associated with Mr. Hood's public records request, as presented.

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