



Lincoln County School District **BOARD REPORT**

A Summary of the April 11, 2006 School Board Meeting

The school board met in regular session on April 11, 2006 at Arcadia Elementary School with approximately 50 staff and patrons in attendance.

Student Presentations- Arcadia Elementary

Principal Rosemary O'Neil introduced music teacher Sarah Ball and the Arcadia choir, who sang a song for the Board. The choir is comprised of 40 third and fourth graders who meet during lunch recess to practice.

Student Representative- Toledo High

Toledo High student representative Stephanie Benefiel updated the Board regarding activities at the school, including: •students raised approximately \$2,000 for Doernbecher Children's Hospital through a variety of activities, including sumo wrestling, lip syncing and dance, and an auction of student council members; •drug awareness week is upcoming; •prom at Toledo High will take place May 6; •the school will hold a blood drive April 12.

Board Reports

Director Billie Jo Smith reported technology fairs are scheduled for Toledo Middle on April 17, 6 to 8 p.m. West and south areas' fair will take place April 24, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Newport Middle School. (The north area fair already took place).

Vice Chairman Sue Ryan reported she visited Taft High to celebrate the Culinary Arts team's excellent showing in recent competition.

Consultant Report

Information on the International Baccalaureate (IB) program was postponed to an upcoming meeting.

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Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Tom Rinearson thanked Barbara Burgess, Curves Gym, and Janice and Rod Hawken for their donations of \$3,000, \$1,000 and \$100 respectively to the District's Homeless Program. He heralded the efforts of liaison Senitila McKinley in procuring the contributions.

The Superintendent also thanked the Oregon Coast Aquarium and KYTE-FM for the recent "stuff-a-bus" effort (Mid Columbia donated use of the bus). The bus was filled with 42 bags of schools supplies along with cash donations, which were then given to schools in Siletz and Newport.

Mr. Rinearson recognized the Oceanlake Emblem Club for the donation of \$1,000 to Taft Elementary for school supplies.

The Superintendent thanked Columbia Sportswear for including the District in the "re-threads" program. Last week the district received 60 children coats, 240 pairs of girls and women's pants and 24 pair of men's boots. All of the clothing has been distributed to students.

Superintendent Rinearson congratulated the Taft High Culinary team for their third place win in the Pro-Start competition over the weekend. The Oregonian featured the team in an article April 9th.

Mr. Rinearson noted the next two Budget Com-

The Board Report is a summary of the minutes from the latest meeting of the Lincoln County School District Board of Directors. For additional information you may contact Laurie Urquhart, Superintendent/ Board Secretary, or Tom Rinearson, Superintendent, at the District Office 265-4403.

mittee meetings are scheduled for Thursday, April 13, 7:00 p.m. at Toledo High and Tuesday, April 18, 7:00 p.m. at Taft High.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

The Board approved the Consent Calendar items, including:

- **Minutes of the 3/7/06 Work Session;**
- **Minutes of the 3/14/06 Regular Session;**
- **Early Graduation Request, Taft High;**
- **Regular Personnel Items:**
 - Resignations:** Brady Beeson, Tech.; Scott Paul, Toledo High; Linda Sickler, Taft Middle; Janell Smud, Sam Case; Richard Wiesner, Newport High; Jeffrey Borton, Taft Middle; Duane Ticknor, Taft Middle; Kari Sparks, LOA; Ernesto Inclan, Taft High; David Edwards, NMS;
 - Classified Hires:** Georgina Nielsen, Acctg.; Shereen Rowland, Eddyville; Sherri Defilippis, YVE;
 - Temporary Licensed Hire:** Virginia Thompson, Toledo MS (.67);
 - Licensed Hire:** Julie Turner, District Nurse;
 - Leave of Absence:** Patsy Helfrich, 2/14/05-6/16/06; Brenda Perrin, 3/22/06-5/01/06; Sandy Retherford, 4/7/06-4/21/06; Theresa Wilson-Strandberg, 5/1/06-6/16/06; Franco Reyes, 4/28/06-5/30/06; Daniel Hasselschwert, 06/07 school year; Vonda McReynolds, extend through 4/20/06;
- **Addendum, Superintendent's Contract, 7/1/06-6/30/09 (2.5% increase in salary).**

Approval of Policy IKFB, Commencement Activities/Honors

The Board approved revised Policy IKFB, Commencement Activities/Honors. The policy lists criteria for valedictorian and salutatorian, which has changed beginning with next year's graduates. At that time, the student(s) with the highest accumulative GPA will be designated "valuedictorian;" the student(s) with the second highest GPA will be named "salutatorian."

The policy also requires students graduating in 2009/10 and after to procure an Honors diploma in order to qualify for the valedictorian

and salutatorian designation.

Oregon School Funding Defense Foundation Lawsuit

The Board approved a resolution in support of the Oregon School Funding Defense Foundation lawsuit. The lawsuit contends the Oregon legislature has not met its obligation to fund Oregon public schools adequately. There are no costs to the district associated with this action.

East Area Report

Arcadia Principal Rosemary O'Neil invited the Board to visit the school to observe the "Reading First" grant activities in action. Students read 90 minutes each day; all staff (licensed and classified) were trained to teach reading. Ms. O'Neil also invited Board members to return in June to examine results of these efforts.

Toledo High Principal Paula Priest reported committees at both proposed levels for next year (K-6 and 7-12) are working on plans for next year. Their first charge is determining facilities needs. She reported questions remain regarding which league the high school will participate in for sports (due to OSAA actions).

Ms. Priest also reported meetings regarding the E3 grant are continuing weekly. The deadline for submitting the school's plan has been extended to June 16. If the proposal is successful, it will be implemented in the 2007/08 year.

Discussion on K-12 Media Guide

Media Specialist Doug Hoffman presented the K-12 Media Guide, and described the current state of libraries in the district. The District purchased Destiny last year, a web based centralized library system, which has improved district media tremendously. Also, digital streaming has enabled teachers to build their own DVD collections. The Media Guide will return to the Board for consideration at the next board meeting.

Report on 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant

Resource Development Specialist Lee Stuart described the 21st Century Community Learning Centers award. The award will support before and after school, as well as summer, activities for students in four areas of the district. We hope these activities will provide a foundation to build upon for other partnerships and activities in the future. Approximately 1500 students will benefit each of the five years of the grant.

Discussion on Athletic Eligibility

This item was postponed to the next meeting.

Information on Retirement/Recognition Event

The annual retirement/recognition dessert will take place May 31, 2006 at the **Embarcadero** (**not** the same location as in past years). The social hour will begin at 6:30 followed by the program at 7:00 p.m.

Discussion on School Calendar

Staff developed draft school calendars for the next three years, and solicited input from all district employees. For the next two years, the proposed calendars align with the state university system (calendars for the third year have not yet been developed by the state). The proposed calendars will return to the Board for consideration at the next board meeting.

Discussion on Tax Anticipation Notes

Director of Business and Support Services Rich Belloni reported the district must borrow funds to meet expenses prior to the receipt of property taxes in November, 2006. A draft resolution will be distributed to the board prior to the April 25th board meeting, at which time it will be decided upon.

Financial Report

Director of Business and Support Services Rich Belloni reported no significant changes from projections. Interest income on investments continues to increase.

Information on Electronic Staffing

Data coordinator Mary Kelly demonstrated a new electronic staffing and budgeting tool. Administrators are able to view and change different staffing and budgeting scenarios much more easily using this method.

Discussion on Long-Range Plan: Mission Statement

Board members will examine the current mission statement during a long-range planning workshop in May.

Next Meeting: April 25, 2006, 7:00 p.m. at Newport High School