



# **BOARD REPORT**

**A Summary of the September 11, 2007 School Board Meeting**

The school board met in regular session on September 11, 2007 at Taft High School with approximately 25 members of the staff, media and interested patrons.

## **Student Representative, Taft High**

Taft High Student Representative and ASB co-president Joel Barrett updated the Board regarding activities at that school, including: ●student morale is way up, and Tiger pride has increased dramatically; ●a “jungle crew” has been formed to help support sporting events of different sorts; ●the Leadership class is going well; ●a courtyard will be rebuilt with donated concrete and benches; ●an assembly with all grade levels was held, which was the first of its kind in the school’s history; ●student leaders staged a “runway show” demonstrating the do’s and don’ts of student dress.

## **North Area Report**

Taft High Principal Steve Kilduff gave kudos to student Joel Barrett, saying “We are lucky to have him representing our school; he is a tremendous ambassador for Taft High.”

Mr. Kilduff introduced new Assistant Principal Scott Reed and explained Mr. Reed is a student behavior specialist and responsible for many of the innovative changes at the school.

As of the board meeting date, 753 students are registered at the school. Middle and high school students now ride the bus together, which has resulted in a smoother operation.

The addition of band teacher Andrew Hordichok has resulted in many more students enrolled in that class. Mr. Hordichok also directs a youth symphony in Portland on weekends.

Principal Kilduff introduced Kevin O’Callaghan, the new Attendance/Truancy Officer at the school

and said Mr. O’Callaghan is a “renaissance man” with multiple abilities and talents.

Mr. Kilduff noted his pride of Taft High, and invited Board members and others to visit any time as “there is always something exciting going on.”

## **Board Reports**

Director Jana Cowan reported she was honored to attend “welcome” events at Toledo High and Taft Elementary, and said she is impressed with both schools.

## **Superintendent’s Report**

Superintendent Rinearson thanked Emma’s Project for their efforts in raising funds to purchase school supplies for students who need them. Emma’s Project was begun several years ago to commemorate a student who passed away.

Mr. Rinearson recognized Sam Case PE teacher Jo Rauch for an article she wrote that was published in the Oregon Alliance for Health, PE, Recreation and Dance’ professional journal. Ms. Rauch also serves as President of OAPE this year; Mr. Rinearson noted she is a “wonderful asset” to the District.

The Superintendent gave kudos to Sam Case ESOL teacher Mike Boyer, who was appointed by Governor Kulongoski to the State Commission on Hispanic Affairs.

Superintendent Rinearson reported fourteen LCSD students attended the Young Entrepreneurs Business Week held over the summer at the University of Portland. Five awards were given to the 80 attendees over the course of the week, three of which went to LCSD students. Connecting

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Oregon for Rural Entrepreneurship (CORE), based out of the Oregon Coast Community College, sponsored scholarships for the camp, thanks to the efforts of Guy Faust.

The Superintendent reported the opening of school went well. He noted a quorum of the Board will not be available for the November 13 board meeting; that meeting will take place November 6 instead.

### **Approval of the Consent Calendar**

The Board approved the Consent Calendar items, including:

•**Minutes of the August 21, 2007 Regular Session;**

•**Regular Personnel Items and Addendum, including:**

-**Resignations:** Jane Blust, Sam Case (12/31/07); Jennifer Lumsden, Yaquina View; Francisco Reyes, Taft Elementary; Rosaleen Simmons, Special Ed.; Jeanne King, Sam Case; Cathy Russell, Fed. Programs Adm. (4/25/08);

-**Classified Hires:** Jennifer Basinger, Toledo Elem.; Tammy Harris, Sam Case; Kevin O’Callaghan, Taft 7-12; Michael Randall, Crestview; Patricia Riley, Sam Case; Joel Riverman, Taft 7-12; Jessica Souza, DO; Debra Spidell, DO; Kristina Thissell, Crestview; Rebecca Wagner, Toledo Elem.;

-**Temp. Licensed Hires:** Katie Carmody, Toledo Elem.; Ron Beckham, Toledo 7-12; Leonard Maxson, Oceanlake, .50; Jane Petterson, Toledo 7-12; Krista Williams, Crestview;

-**Leave of Absence:** Belinda Beider, 9/4/07-11/15/07; Wren Clark, 1/11/08-1/29/08; Ann Goddard, 9/14/07-9/21/07; Cynthia Lockman, 9/11/07-9/24/07; Elizabeth Mulford, 10/4/07-10/11/07; Lisa Renfrow, 9/4/07-6/11/08.

### **Discussion on Contract, Insight School of Oregon**

The Oregon Council for Online Learning (OCOL) presented a contract for a proposed statewide charter high school. The LCSD Board previously approved a proposal from OCOL on the concept of such a school; the contract is the next step in the process. The OCOL board is also approaching the State Board of Education for a waiver of the requirement that 50% of a charter school’s

attendees reside in the area of the sponsoring district. The contract will return to the Board for its consideration at the next meeting.

### **Discussion on Policies; New and/or Revised**

School Operations Administrator Joe Novello presented new or revised policies and administrative rules recommended by the Oregon School Boards Association. Several policies are interrelated, so were presented simultaneously. The policies and administrative rules are:

**EGAAA-AR, Use of Copyrighted Material** (updated to align with new statutes);

**GBNAA, Cyberbullying** (new policy, required by statute, related to JFCFA);

**IGBHE, Expanded Options Program** (new policy, required by statute);

**IIBGA, IIBGA-AR Electronics Communication System** (new policy, required by statute, must be implemented with EGAAA);

**JFCEB, JFCEB-AR Personal Communication Devices** (new policy, required by statute);

**JFCFA, Cyberbullying** (new policy, required by statute, related to GBNAA);

**KL, Public Complaints** (updated to align with policies GBNAA and JFCFA)

**LBE, LBE-AR Public Charter Schools** (updated to align with new statutes)

The policies will return to the Board for their consideration at the next meeting.

### **Update, Community Resource Liaison**

Community Resource Liaison Kristin Takano reported she has worked on developing partnerships between the District and our local science resources over the last year. To date, she has worked with the aquarium, the Hatfield Marine Science Center, Marine Discovery Tours and the Department of Fish and Wildlife hatchery as well as other individuals. During this second year of her assignment, Ms. Takano will work on sustaining these partnerships.

## **Preliminary Information, Adequate Yearly Progress**

Federal Programs Administrator Cathy Russell reported final Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) figures will be published September 28<sup>th</sup>. Preliminary numbers indicate the District as a whole did not meet AYP, though more schools met this year than last. She explained the No Child Left Behind law is complex and reflects data from one point in time. One must “dig deeper” to understand the data and what the rating truly reflects, said Russell.

## **Information on Financial Report**

Fiscal Services Administrator Julie Baldwin presented the monthly financial report as of August 31, 2007. Ms. Baldwin noted no unexpected revenues or expenditures.

## **Consolidated Improvement Plan- Budget Narrative**

Federal Programs Administrator Cathy Russell presented a handout showing the various Title programs and their budgets.

## **PSA- Youth Transition Program**

Special Programs Administrator Susan Van Liew presented a Personal Services Agreement with Community Services Consortium for youth transition services. The agreement will return to the Board for approval at the next meeting.

## **Discussion on Construction Excise Tax**

The state legislature approved a bill in the last session allowing school boards to implement a construction excise tax with new construction districts. Three requirements must be in place prior to a tax being implemented: •districts must have a long range capital improvement plan; •districts must enter into intergovernmental agreements with each agency collecting the tax; and •the Board must approve a resolution imposing the tax.

The Board will be exploring this topic in the coming weeks.

*Next Meeting: October 9, 2007- 7:00 p.m. at Toledo Elementary School.*