



BOARD REPORT

A Summary of the November 6, 2007 School Board Meeting

The school board met in regular session on November 6, 2007 at Waldport High School with approximately 40 members of the staff, media and interested patrons.

Student Representative, Waldport High

Waldport High Student Representative Steven Jackson updated the Board regarding activities at that school, including: ●Homecoming festivities just concluded, with the Freshman class showing great spirit; ●a penny drive yielded \$400 to go toward a planned electronic reader board for the school; ●the girls' cross country team placed 9th in state competition; ●the school has added clubs for students this year, including recycling club, drama club, and dance club.

South Area Report

Crestview Heights Principal Betsy Wilcox reported the school's site council conducted a survey regarding mascots for the school. It was decided that the school will maintain two mascots: the Dolphins for the elementary level, and the Pirates for the middle level.

A winter concert is scheduled for November 29 at 6:00 p.m. featuring third and fourth grade students at the school. The school will be hosting a health fair with several activities planned.

A school climate survey was administered to parents at conferences; results were positive. Staff completed the same survey; the site council received copies, which will also be shared with the Board. Attendance at the school has improved since last year.

Waldport High Principal Von Taylor welcomed the Board to the school, and introduced new Assistant Principal and teacher Brian Gardner. Mr. Gardner teaches Marketing and Development, and

is also involved with the Leadership class and student council.

Mr. Taylor reported former students painted the back of the grandstands. A new weight room is being completed at the school for which all labor was donated (making it one of the largest volunteer projects to take place in the district). The welding and shop class has been expanded; students will be able to work on autos there as well.

Staff is working to improve student attendance and is seeing good results. The school was two tenths from being rated "strong" on the school report card.

Communications

Deborah Trusty and Fred Schwartz, Board members for the Oregon Council for Online Learning (Insight School) read a letter in support of the proposed online charter school. The letter noted the high number of un-served students in the state and the potential to reach those students via the proposed school.

LCEA President Joe Jordan noted that online learning is a useful tool, but urged the Board to be vigilant, cautious and careful, and to "keep a close eye on students and their work."

Board Reports

Director Cowan thanked the Lions Club for doing free vision screening for students in the district. She reported Toledo Elementary will be holding their "turkey bingo" fundraiser November 16 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Director Beck reported he and Chairman Brenda

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Brown spent the day in Salem at a hearing before the State Board of Education. The state Board was considering a proposed waiver of a requirement that 50% of students taking online classes at a charter school reside in the sponsoring district. Mr. Beck reported the hearing evolved into an open discussion on cyber education; he gave kudos to Operations Administrator Joe Novello for the work he did preparing for and speaking at the hearing.

Chairman Brown noted the recent publication of "District Dialog," and thanked all those involved in putting it together.

Director Cowan noted her attendance at the district sponsored e-learning conference on November 5th.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Rinearson recognized the Lincoln City Chamber Resource program for their donation to Taft High's Teen Parent program. The group donated baby supplies, furniture and a washer/dryer.

The Superintendent thanked Emma's Project for their donation of backpacks and other school supplies to Crestview Heights. He also thanked the Save Our Schools Committee for the donation of 20 boxes of school supplies to Toledo schools.

Mr. Rinearson recognized Altrusa for their donation of school supplies to Sam Case. The organization also donated a \$150 gift certificate to Wal-Mart for other student needs.

Superintendent Rinearson thanked the Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund for a donation of \$2358 to Oceanlake Elementary to purchase Promethean Activeboard supplements. The same fund also contributed \$1,000 to the Taft High Teen Parent program.

The Superintendent wished Board Chair Brenda Brown "Happy Birthday" on November 17. He reminded the Board of the end of the second six-week grading period November 21.

Mr. Rinearson reported he and Director of Business Services Rich Belloni met with several entities about the construction excise tax, and hope to have memorandums of understanding in December.

He wished all "Happy Thanksgiving" and noted all district facilities will be closed November 22nd and 23rd.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

The Board approved the Consent Calendar items, including:

- Minutes of the 10-9-07 Regular Session;**
- Regular Personnel Items and Addendum, including:**
 - Resignations:** Nancy Beckham, Toledo Elem.; Debbie Howard, LOA; Robert Gerke, Special Programs; Allison Tice, NMS;
 - Temp. Licensed Hires:** Bonnie Hinton, .50 HLS; Cynthia Kress, HLS; Patty Salvino, Taft 7-12; Laura Henderson, .50 Toledo Elem.;
 - Classified New Hires:** Sheri Barber, YVE; Ashley Berg, Sam Case; Anthony Martinez, Toledo 7-12;
 - Temp. Classified Hires:** Meghan Garcia, Taft Elem.;
 - Leave of Absence:** Doug Hoffman, 12/3/07-1/28/08;
- 08/09 Budget Calendar;**
- Oregon Coast Bank for 08/09 banking services.**

Contract with OCOL for Insight School

The Board was scheduled to consider a contract with the Oregon Council for Online Learning for a statewide online charter high school. Prior to considering the question, the Board took part in a lengthy discussion about the proposed school and contract. They reached agreement to consider the contract at a later date in a one-topic special session. They also agreed to send their questions to Superintendent Rinearson and Operations Administrator Joe Novello in the next few days.

It was learned the day of the state hearing and board meeting that the State Board cannot consider a waiver until a contract is in place.

Budget Committee Member, Zone 4

The Board appointed Charlie Bird to Zone 4 of the District's Budget Committee. Mr. Bird is the incumbent in that position; the new term expires June 30, 2010.

Resolution, School Based Health Centers- Appropriations Transfer

The Board approved a resolution transferring funds to clear an outstanding receivable pursuant to district school based health centers. Budgeting for the centers was historically done based on future revenue; that practice has now changed.

American Education Week

The Board approved a resolution proclaiming the week of November 11-17, 2007 as American Education Week. The resolution will be sent to all schools.

Discussion on Policy IKF, High School Graduation

The Board continued this topic until the next Board meeting.

Information on Curriculum Alignment Plan

LCSD has been developing a clearly aligned K-12 curriculum guide to state standards. Vertical and horizontal alignment, scope and sequence, identification of essential standards and creating local assessments are being developed. Through the process of aligning our learning system, the following key questions will be addressed:

- What do we want students to know?

- How will we know they have learned it?
- What is good enough?
- What will we do when they do not learn it?

Kristin Takano reported the process has begun using local teacher leaders and their talents. The first pilot programs in science and language arts will be ready by June, 2008. Social science may also be done at the same time.

For questions regarding the alignment process, please contact Curriculum and Instruction Administrator Sandi Williams.

Financial Report

Financial Reports for October and November will be presented at the December 11th board meeting.

Supplemental Tutoring Contract

Taft Elementary School continues to be in "school improvement" status due to not meeting Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). Because of this status, students at the school must be offered supplementary tutoring services. Advantage Point Inc. offers these services and is on the list of ODE approved providers.

The contract will return for the Board's consideration at the next meeting.

Discussion on 07/08 Board Goals and District Goals

These agenda items were moved forward to the next meeting.

Next Meeting: December 11, 2007- 7:00 p.m. at Yaquina View Elementary School.