



BOARD REPORT

A Summary of the April 8, 2008 School Board Meeting

The school board met in regular session on April 8, 2008 at Crestview Heights School with approximately 35 members of the staff, media and interested patrons present.

South Area Reports

Crestview Heights teachers Ms. Sears, Ms. Olson and Ms. Medici and selected Kindergarten, first and second grade students addressed the Board regarding writing and technology goals at the school. Students sang to the Board and read stories they wrote.

Waldport High Assistant Principal Brian Gardner reported the school will have a learning lab seven periods per day next year, and said the school is committed to developing an alternative program for high school students in the south area. He reported nine WHS students will perform at "Music in May" at Pacific University, and said two students (Sharrisa Thayer and Misty Corwin) will represent the school as scholar athletes.

Annual Charter Schools Summary- Siletz

Principal Bob Line summarized activities at Siletz Valley School and Siletz Early College Academy for the current year. He reported partnerships make the school possible, and recognized the good relationship the schools have with the District. The schools' mission is to "provide pathways for all students to excel in lifelong learning." Currently the K-8 school has 180 students, and the high school has 65.

Twelve of the 15 seniors are involved with internships for the Career Related Learning

Experience (CRLE). Younger students' school day will be shortened.

Mr. Line reported the K-8 school received a "strong" rating on the state report card for the past two years. Staff is working to improve attendance at the school, and uses the Positive Behavior Supports (PBS) program.

Update- Homeless Program

Charla Guiwits, North Area Family Literacy Center/Homeless Program Coordinator updated the Board regarding the Homeless program in the north area. She reported the program has about 350 students at this time. The north area has seen an increase in high school aged students this year. Staff is working to put these students in touch with agencies to help them with services (food stamps, etc).

Ms. Guiwits noted there are fewer camping families in the north end, though that has increased in other areas. She said the program enjoys great support from the communities, including churches and individuals.

Homeless Liaison Senitila McKinley reported the program has good support from the transportation and food service departments. She said literacy centers are used to help students improve and as a support system for them. Referrals for homeless students are received every week; it is a continual process.

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

Update- 21st Century After School Program

21st Century After-school Coordinator Senitila McKinley reported this program is supported by a grant, and is in its second year. There are now centers in four areas of the district with stable staff, functioning as the grant intended. Ms. McKinley said the centers are intended to help students be “successful and safe,” and are helping improve attendance.

Financial Report

Business Manager Julie Baldwin presented financial reports as of March 31, 2008. Interest rates continue to decline slightly.

Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent Rinearson thanked Lumbermens of Newport and Gary Williams, along with Mike Rivers of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, for their efforts in replacing the greenhouse at Yaquina View Elementary. Lumbermens donated the greenhouse, and Mike Rivers helped construct it.

The Superintendent reported Crestview teacher Jim Bodle’s third/fourth grade students made piggy banks and sought donations from local businesses for HALO (Helping Animals Live On) Animal Rescue. They raised over \$500 for the organization.

Mr. Rinearson thanked Sodexo Food Services, Sodexo Custodial Services and Mid Columbia Bus Company for their continuation of scholarships for graduating seniors. Each entity offers four \$500 scholarships annually.

The Superintendent reported two district programs will receive “Outstanding Community Partnership” awards from ODE: Lincoln City schools for the ‘Backpacks for

Kids’ program (which began at Oceanlake), and the Siletz schools for their partnership with the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz. Seven such awards were given statewide.

Superintendent Rinearson reported Friday, April 18 is the end of a six-week grading period, and said the Board will meet in a work session on April 22 to learn about “proficiencies.” Parent/teacher conferences are scheduled for April 24 and 25 in all areas except the north, who held theirs in March. Please check with individual schools about specific times conferences are to be held.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

The Board approved the Consent Calendar items, including:

•**Minutes of the March 11, 2008 Regular Session;**

•**Music Standards/Curriculum Guide;**

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

-**Resignations:** Lorraine Grove, NHS; Angel Jimenez, Sam Case; Bonnie Weaver, TOES; Deborah Kilduff, Crestview Heights; Kathleen Mercer, TOES; Jill Capri, Sam Case; Lucinda Shirley, Sam Case; Ireen Lapham, NHS; Bernadette Fowler, LOA; Intz Walker, Taft 7-12;

-**New Administrative:** Kristin Takano-Becker, Principal, Yaquina View;

-**Leave of Absence:** Kurt Smith, 4/7/08-6/30/08; Kirk Tice, 2/11/08-2/18/08; Clarice Sullivan, extend to 4/10/08; D. Michael Boyer, 4/14/08-4/28/08; Valerie Baker, 3/21/08-4/8/08; Cheryl Burchett, 3/31/08-4/23/08; Lynda Thomas, extend to 4/16/08; Ann Thompson, 3/31/08-5/2/08;

-**Classified New Hires:** Karen McCrae, NHS; Diana Perez, Sam Case;

•**Contract, Sodexo for Food Services 08/09;**

•**Special Education Policy Codes IGBA** (Students with Disabilities/Child Find Procedures); **IGBAE**, (Special Ed.,

Participation in Regular Ed. Programs); **IGBAG**, (Special Ed. Procedural Safeguards); **IGBAH**, (Special Ed. Evaluation Procedures); **IGBAI**, (Special Ed.- Private Schools); **IGBAJ**, (Special Ed., Free Appropriate Public Education); **IGBAK**, (Special Ed.- Public Availability of State Application); **JGDA/JGEA**, (Discipline of Disabled Students);

•**Resolution 2007/08-7, Imposition of Construction Excise Tax;**

•**Amendment 5 to Contract between LCSD and Superintendent Tom Rinearson.**

Approval of Tax Anticipation Notes

The Board approved a resolution to borrow funds known as “tax anticipation notes” or “TANs”. As in most years, the District anticipates the need to borrow funds to cover expenses prior to the receipt of property tax revenue in November, 2008. With this approval, the Board authorized the participation by the District in a “TanPool” sponsored by OSBA and assisted by Seattle Northwest Securities Corporation.

Approval of Teacher Appreciation Week

In recognition of the vital work teachers do, the Board approved a resolution proclaiming the week of May 5-9, 2008 as “Teacher Appreciation Week” in the district.

Policy EFA, Local Wellness Policy

Policy EFA, Local Wellness Policy, has been revised based on input from OSBA and a review committee comprised of teachers, principals, parents and community members. The policy will return to the Board for consideration at the next meeting.

Renewal, Lincoln City Career Tech

Charter School Liaison Tom Zandoli and Principal Marie Jones presented a contract renewal for Lincoln City Career Tech Charter School. The school has been operating as a charter school since 2000; the contract has been revised to mirror those of other charter schools in the district. The proposed contract is a five-year renewal with an enrollment cap of 60 students and will return to the Board for consideration at the next Board meeting.

Calendar Revision 08/09- East Area

Area principals were given the opportunity to develop school calendars for their respective areas that may be different from the adopted 08-09 district calendar. East area administrators presented the input of site council members and staff, which proposes four full-day school improvement days: Mondays on October 13, 2008, January 5, 2009, February 23, 2009 and April 13, 2009. The calendar will return to the Board for their consideration at the next meeting.

Discussion on IB Planned Course Statements

The International Baccalaureate (IB) program will be offered at Newport High School beginning in fall, 2008. Teresa Atwill, NHS IB Coordinator and Principal Jon Zagel presented planned course statements for one new course (Theory of Knowledge) and two modified courses (IB English and IB History) that are part of the IB program. The planned course statements will return to the Board for approval at the next Board meeting.

Information on Retirement Event

The annual retirement and recognition event is planned for Thursday, May 22, 2008 at the Embarcadero. The social hour begins at 6:00 p.m, with the program

beginning at 7:00 p.m. Retirees, employees of the year and other honorees will be recognized.

Information on Effects of Additional ADM on Stop Loss

Superintendent Rinearson provided an overview of one aspect of school finance in Oregon: "stop loss." He explained this occurs when a district is in declining enrollment, and receives revenue from the state based on the highest number of students between the current and just-past year.

In LCSD, various programs have brought students back into school, which creates a cash flow issue. The District must have enough cash on hand to handle the influx of students.

Discussion on Transportation Policies

Director Rich Belloni and driver Carolyn Smyth presented revised policies EEA (Student Transportation Services) and EEAC (School Bus Safety Program), both revised to comply with new state statutes. The policies will return for the Board's consideration at the next regular session.

Next Meeting: May 13, 2008- 7:00 p.m. at the Arcadia building, Toledo