



BOARD REPORT

A Summary of the July 8, 2008 School Board Meeting

The school board met in regular session on July 8, 2008 at Newport High with approximately 20 members of the staff, media and interested patrons present.

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair, 08/09

The Board elected Jean Turner as Chairman and Jana Cowan as Vice-Chairman for the 2008/09 year.

Communications/Staff Recognition

Superintendent Rinearson introduced new Sam Case Principal Sharman Ensminger-Stapp, and welcomed her to the District.

Board Reports

Director Brenda Brown gave kudos to the east area 21st Century program, noting 102 students are registered for the six-week program.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Rinearson recognized Mike Phillips, Dan Kauffman, Darrell Richards and Taft High ASB for their efforts in building a 6500 square foot courtyard at Taft High. The equipment, materials and labor were all donated to make the courtyard a reality. Taft High seniors, alumni and parents collaborated on the project.

The Superintendent thanked the Altrusa Club of Yaquina Bay for their donation of \$550 to the Newport/Toledo Teen Parent program. The funds will be used to support teens in need of services healthy and in school.

Mr. Rinearson thanked Epsilon Theta Sorority in Waldport for their donation of \$200 to the Waldport Family Literacy Resource Center and

Teen Parent program. The funds will be used to purchase school supplies, diapering necessities, car seats, parenting classes, etc.

Superintendent Rinearson thanked the Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution fund for donations to seven different LCSD programs during their last round of giving.

The Superintendent wished Board member Ron Beck "Happy Birthday" on August 7th.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

The Board approved the Consent Calendar items, including:

- Minutes, June 10, 2008 Regular Session;**
- NHS Planned Course Statement, Algebra 1A and 1B;**
- WHS Planned Course Statement, Zoology;**
- Termination of Charter Contract, OCOL;**
- Regular Personnel Items and Addendum, including:**
 - Resignations:** Meghan Garcia, TES; Larry Geigle, Oceanlake; John Hayden, NMS; Jessica Souza, Business Office; Brandi Naylor, NHS; Michael Crowe, Taft 7-12; Autumn Belloni, Special Programs;
 - Licensed Hires, Administrators:** Pedra Berenson, Principal- TOES; Mary Schaer, Principal, Crestview Heights; Sharman Ensminger-Stapp, Principal, Sam Case; Majalisse Tolan, Asst. Principal, Taft 7-12;
 - Licensed Hires:** Melanie Heard, Sam Case; Andrea Scharf, Toledo Jr./Sr. (.50); Krista Williams, Spec. Programs; Valencia Pillion, Spec. Programs; Shawne Sanders, Tol. Jr./Sr.;
 - Temp. Licensed:** Sharon Blair, Alt. Ed./Spec. Programs;

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- Coach: Scott Hecht, Asst. Track, NHS;
- Leave of Absence: Nima Boyer, 8/26/08-6/11/09;
- Policy DJ, District Purchasing;
- Policy JHCC, Communicable Diseases;
- Policy JHCD, Administering Non-Injectable Medicines to Students;
- Policy JHCDA, Administering Injectable Medicines to Students;
- 08/09 School Meal Prices.

Approval of West Area Calendar, 08/09

The Board approved the West Area calendar for 2008/09. The basic changes include moving from seven half-day inservices on Wednesdays, to five full day trainings on Mondays. Also, spring conferences take place earlier than in years past.

Approval of North Area Calendar, 08/09

The Board also approved a new calendar for the North area. The North area will have full-day inservices on Fridays. With this approval, all four geographic areas of the District have their own school calendars. All area calendars will be available on the District’s website.

Approval of Organizational Resolution

The Board approved the annual “organizational resolution” denoting district officers, clerks, agents of record and depositories of funds. For 2008/09, the mileage reimbursement will increase to 58.5 cents per mile (same as the IRS rate).

Approval of Revised Board Meeting Calendar, 08/09

The Board approved a revised board meeting calendar, moving the August board meeting to August 26th.

Discussion on 08/09 Alternative Education Programs

Joe Novello presented alternative education programs at the Carolyn Brown School in Newport and Toledo High School. Both schools meet the lengthy criteria specified by board policy; the programs will return for the Board’s consideration at the next meeting.

Information on Taft High Eligibility Pilot Program

Taft 7-12 Principal Scott Reed and Athletic Director Mychal Williams presented information on the school’s academic eligibility pilot project. The pilot has completed year one of three, and suggests that allowing students struggling in the classroom to participate in co-curricular activities results in improved student achievement.

The Taft High pilot employs a waiver of Policy IGD which delineates the academic criteria students must meet to participate in co-curricular activities (i.e., a 2.0 GPA with no more than one “F.”) Students at Taft must meet OSAA guidelines (which are different from LCSD rules) and must participate in a plan of assistance if they fall below this threshold. More data will be shared with the Board after the conclusion of the next semester.

Discussion on New Course, NHS: Film as Literature

Newport High teacher Samantha Murphy and counselor Reyna Mattson presented the planned course statement for a new class being considered for Newport High: “Film as Literature.” The class will study different genres of film, mainly from the 1930’s to the 1960’s. It is a writing intensive course that will focus on both the societal and historical impact of each film studied. Issues include: racism, gang conflict, integrity and armed conflict, among others. The course will return for the Board’s consideration at the next meeting.

Discussion on Policy JFCF/GBNA, Hazing, Harassment...

Policy JFCF/GBNA applies to students, and adds “cyberbullying” as a form of harassment. The Board approved the same policy as applicable to employees at the June board meeting. The (student) policy will return to the Board for their consideration at the next board meeting.

Update on Construction Excise Tax Activities

Director of Support Services Rich Belloni reported an additional community meeting to gather input regarding uses of the Construction Excise Tax (CET) is scheduled for July 9, 6:00 p.m. at the home of Lincoln City Mayor Lori Hollingsworth.

Mr. Belloni reported over \$51,000 in CET funding has been collected to date, mostly from Lincoln County.

Discussion on Board Goals, 08/09

Each year the Board develops goals, so began the process for developing 2008/09 goals by reviewing those from the previous year. They will continue their discussion at a work session retreat July 27/28.

Discussion on Logistics, Board Retreat

A Board work session retreat is scheduled for late July at the WorldMark in Gleneden Beach. Chairman Jean Turner asked Board members to email suggestions for topics to Laurie Urquhart.

Next Meeting: August 26, 2008- 7:00 p.m. at Newport High School.

