



# BOARD REPORT

A Summary of the August 18, 2009 School Board Meeting

The school board met in regular session on August 18, 2009 at Newport High School with approximately 30 members of the staff, media and interested patrons present.

## Communications

Tanya Jorgenson expressed her concern about contraceptive counseling at school based health centers, as well as concern regarding sharing medications. She noted her support of “option 2” in the proposed agreement between the District and Health/Human Services, wherein condoms may be dispensed from the centers.

Tom Graham addressed the Board on the same subject, questioning how the complaint process will work. He also asked why “option 1” (dispensation of all contraceptives) would not have a review in December. He expressed concern that a comprehensive plan must still be developed.

Sal Smith expressed her support of the school based health centers and their importance to students without health insurance.

## Board Reports

Chairman Jana Cowan reported she attended the OSBA Summer Board Workshop and found it helpful.

## Financial Report

Business Manager Julie Baldwin presented unaudited 08/09 year end information and said the District’s decline in enrollment appears to be flattening. Ms. Baldwin also presented financial reports as of July 31, 2009. Activity is typical for this time of year.

## Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent Rinearson thanked Columbia Sportswear for the donation of rain gear and backpacks to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century after school program.

The Superintendent reported Crestview Heights will host a “volunteer fair” on Tuesday, August 25, 6 to 7 p.m. to share volunteer opportunities with community members.

Mr. Rinearson noted public service announcements produced by students regarding drug awareness are being shown on national television, and were shown during an MTV award show.

Area breakfasts are scheduled as follows: **North Area-** Tuesday, 9/1/09, 8 a.m. at Taft 7-12; **West Area-** Wed., 9/2/09, 8:30 a.m. at Newport High; **East Area-** Thursday, 9/3/09, 8:30 a.m. at Toledo Elementary; **South Area-** Friday, 9/4/09, 8:00 a.m. at Crestview.

The Superintendent wished Director Ron Beck “Happy Birthday” as of August 7<sup>th</sup>. He also reported west area administrators are planning events for September 9<sup>th</sup> to commemorate opening and closing of schools. More information will be shared as it is developed.

## Approval of the Consent Calendar

The Board approved the Consent Calendar items, including:

- Minutes, July 7, 2009 Special/Work Session;
- Minutes, July 10-11, 2009 Work Session;
- Minutes, July 14, 2009 Regular Session;
- Regular Personnel Items and Addendum including:
  - Resignations: Robert Helms, Taft Elem.; Kristi Roske, Federal Programs; Jan Weeks, WHS; Tonia Roberts, Oceanlake; Daniel Owens, Newport;

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Emelia Moore, Sam Case; Gabriela Cabrera-Hill, Sam Case; Ronald Russell, WHS;  
-**Licensed Employment:** Kristoffer Cook, NHS;  
-**Leave of Absences:** Laurie Downing, 09/10 school year; Rodger Johnson, 9/8/09-9/28/09;  
•**Olalla ODE Contract 2009-2011;**  
•**Juvenile Detention ODE Contract 2009-2011;**  
•**Policy JGAB, Use of Restraint & Seclusion.**

### **School Based Health Centers Agreement**

The Board approved a contract with Lincoln County Health and Human Services (LCHHS) for the operation of school based health centers in four District high schools. The most significant change in the agreement relates to dispensing of contraceptives from the centers. Beginning in September, no school site dispensing of prescription birth control will take place. However, there will be dispensing of condoms and other barrier contraceptives.

Operations Administrator Joe Novello, District Nurse Julie Turner and LCHHS Program Manager Julie Sedlachek presented information on a review of school based health centers including the proposed revised contract. Earlier this summer, the Board approved giving notice of the District's the intent to terminate the contract with LCHHS.

The intent of this notification was to examine protocols at the centers to ensure student safety and meet legal requirements. After an extensive review of the centers, including district and LCHHS policies and procedures, staff revised the contract to address deficiencies.

### **School Board Zones**

This agenda item was tabled indefinitely. Discussions with an attorney revealed the proposed plan would mean the current Zone 2 representative could no longer serve on the board, as they would no longer live in that zone. The Board may consider re-zoning prior to the next election (May, 2011).

### **Vacancy, Zone 1- School Board**

With the recent resignation of Board member Amy Coulter of Lincoln City, the school board declared a vacancy in Zone 1 of the school board.

### **Process/Timeline to Fill Board Vacancy**

The Board approved a process and timeline to fill the board vacancy in Zone 1, revising the dates slightly from those in the board folder. Interested applicants must reside in Zone 1, must be registered voters, and may not be employees of Lincoln County School District.

Applications are due to Laurie Urquhart in the District administration office by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, with interviews scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>. Applications may be obtained on the District website, the administration office in Newport, all Lincoln City schools, the Driftwood Library, or by calling 541 265 4403.

### **Approval of School Name Changes**

In keeping with the recently approved west area reconfiguration, the Board formally approved school name changes in three Newport schools: Sam Case Primary (grades K-3), Newport Intermediate School (grades 4-6) and Newport Preparatory Academy (grades 7-8).

### **Preliminary AYP Findings**

Operations Administrator Joe Novello shared preliminary information on the District's Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) rating. Twelve of the district's 16 schools (which may increase to 13) "met" AYP this year, up from eight last year. The district's overall rating is being closely examined. Though first rated overall as "not met," further examination indicates the district may move to the "met" category.

AYP is a key component of the No Child Left Behind act of 2002. Schools are expected to meet state-set goals based on student achievement data. It is important to note that if just one of nine

specific subgroups of students within a school does not meet AYP in any one area, the school does not meet AYP either.

### **K-12 Curriculum Alignment Update**

Teacher Tiana Tucker reported the K-12 curriculum alignment project is progressing well. Teachers will be using an electronic grade book this year, which will enable students and parents to view grades, assignments, and how the assignments relate to state standards.

Teachers will use the electronic grade book for one subject this year, with full implementation next year. At the elementary level, math or reading will be selected, while high school teachers will use one of the subjects they teach.

### **Entry Requirements**

School staff have been discussing how to ensure students are academically ready to learn at each level as they advance through the grades. Joe Novello shared samples of draft entrance requirements. Goals for the effort are to raise rigor and accountability at all levels. This effort will align with the K-12 curriculum alignment project. More information will be shared as it is developed.

### **Discussion on Board Goals**

The Board continued their discussion of Board goals for this year, begun at a summer retreat. Draft goals include recognizing student achievement, realigning board zones, analyzing the licensed contract, and continuing their support of initiatives already in process. The Board will revisit the goals at the next meeting.

*Next Meeting: September 15, 2009- 7:00 p.m. @ Toledo Jr./Sr. High School*