

LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors- Regular Session
Tuesday, February 13, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.
Sam Case Elementary School
Newport, Oregon

Minutes

PRESIDING: Ron Beck, Chairman

Present: Ron Beck, Chairman; Amanda Remund, Vice Chairman; Liz Martin, Karen Bondley, Jenny Demaris, Directors

Also Present: Tom Rinearson, Superintendent; Laurie Urquhart, Secretary

Handouts: Financial Statements as of January 31, 2018; Personnel Addendum dated 2/13/18

Call to Order- Establishment of a Quorum

Chairman Beck convened the meeting and called the session to order at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum of all five board members present.

Student Representatives

Students from Adam Galen’s fifth grade class at Sam Case demonstrated new technology they are using in his classroom. About 15 students showed board members and others their work with Ozobots. Students did coding with the light sensors on the bottom of the devices. They also demonstrated a virtual reality app that allows students to create a trigger for a video they create to show on a phone/iPad screen.

Communications

Food Services Director Patty Graves noted the annual “future chefs” competition is scheduled for Saturday, March 3, 9:00 a.m. at Yaquina View. Students in grades K-5 submitted recipes; finalists were selected for the competition.

Board Reports

Director Jenny Demaris reported 13 Toledo Jr./Sr. high swimmers went to district competition; 12 of them “placed.” The Eddyville Charter School boys’ basketball team will compete in a playoff game February 16.

Director Liz Martin noted parent nights at Newport High are going well, and thanked NHS staff for their expertise in hosting them. She reported the “Mr. NHS” contest and winter ball are occurring this week. Winter sports went very well.

Vice Chair Amanda Remund noted the Waldport High boys’ basketball team had a winning season, the first time in many years. One WHS wrestler will compete in state competition.

West Area Reports

Sam Case Principal Shelley Moore updated the board on recent activities at her school, including: •The devices demonstrated earlier in the meeting were funded by a grant from the local STEM hub; • Vision screening occurred at the school, assisted by NHS students; •Rep. David Gomberg visited the school recently; •Ms. Moore is developing principal advisory panels to help students that may not be natural leaders partner with those that are; •She holds monthly ‘coffee with the principal’ meetings (first Friday of the month, 7:30 a.m. in the library).

Yaquina View Principal Kristin Becker noted she also holds monthly ‘coffee with the principal’ meetings, scheduled to occur on different Fridays than those at Sam Case; •Vision screening took place at Yaquina View, with assistance from NHS students; •West area principals are developing an “entry point map” to help define where students need to be when they change schools. They are further developing alignment between the grades and schools to help smooth this process; •Staff is focusing on incoming Kindergarten students going to Yaquina View, current YVE second graders’ transition to Sam Case, Sam Case fifth graders to Newport Middle, and Newport Middle eighth graders to Newport High. Principal Shelley Moore will visit Yaquina View during recess to get to know some of the students; •Chinook Winds provided a \$250 grant for literacy, which was used for guided readers.

Financial Reports

Business Services Director Kim Cusick updated the board on financial reports as of January 31, 2018. She reported the pages of the reports are now numbered; she reported nothing unanticipated.

Interest rates have increased slightly.

Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent Tom Rinearson thanked Roby’s Furniture (Newport and Lincoln City) for donating a day of service to both Yaquina View and Taft Elementary. Roby’s provided new furniture to both schools’ staff rooms, painted, and hauled away the old furniture. The District is very grateful to this community partner.

Mr. Rinearson recognized Sodexo Food Services Director Patty Graves for again going the extra mile to help our schools. Ms. Graves and staff provided dinner (including labor), along with table linens and dishes for Crestview Heights recent art auction.

The Superintendent reported 2017 Newport High graduate Ruben Krueger received a fellowship from Stanford University to teach a nine-week summer computer science class. The class will be open to middle and high school students. More information will be shared as it is finalized.

Mr. Rinearson reminded the Board of the President’s Day holiday February 19 (all district facilities will be closed).

He wished board member Karen Bondley an early “happy birthday” (March 2nd).

Approval of the Consent Calendar

Motion 17/18-27

On motion of Director Remund, seconded by Director Demaris, the Board unanimously approved Consent Calendar items, as noted in the January 9, 2018 board folder, including:

- Minutes, January 9, 2018 Regular Session;**
- Minutes, January 16, 2018 Special Session;**
- Minutes, January 23, 2018 Work Session;**
- Regular Personnel Items and Addendum dated 2/13/18;**
- Admission on Non-Resident Students, 2018/19 – Policy JECB (zero);**
- Policy DDC, Native American Education Program Grants;**
- Policy EBBB, Injury/Illness Reports;**
- Policy IGBC, Title IA Parental and Family Involvements;**
- Policy JEA, Compulsory Attendance;**
- 2018/19 ESD Local Service Plan.**

One-Year Extension of Contract, Mid-Columbia Bus Company

Motion 17/18-28

On motion of Director Demaris, seconded by Director Bondley, the Board unanimously approved a one-year extension of the contract with Mid-Columbia Bus Company to provide transportation services through 6/30/19.

Director of Support Services Rich Belloni reported a Request for Proposals for transportation services would be developed in 2018/19. Customer satisfaction surveys are being developed for all three contracted services (transportation, food services and custodial).

Resolution, Classified Employees Week

Motion 17/18-29

On motion of Director Martin, seconded by Director Remund, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 2017/18-5 declaring the week of March 5 through 9, 2018 as “Classified Employee Appreciation Week” in LCSD. Board Chair Ron Beck urged community members to join in recognizing and thanking Classified employees for their important work.

Level III Grievance

Motion 17/18-30

On motion of Director Demaris, seconded by Director Bondley, the Board unanimously sustained the decision of the Superintendent regarding a Level III grievance filed by a licensed employee and the Lincoln County Education Association.

2018/19 School Calendar

Director of Secondary Education/Principal Jon Zagel presented the proposed 2018/19 district calendar. The calendar reflects “early release Wednesdays” for professional development and student interventions. It will return for the Board’s consideration at the next meeting.

State Accountability Model

The State of Oregon is developing an “Accountability Plan” to help districts facing a range of challenges. Director of Elementary Education/Special Education Susan Van Liew reported Superintendent Rinearson was approached by ODE to participate in a pilot project to partner with ODE. The project seeks to help

districts determine strengths and weaknesses, and ways ODE and the district can work together to help improve them.

Policy CBG, Evaluation of Superintendent

Oregon School Boards Association recommends Policy CBG, Evaluation of the Superintendent be revised. The revision is intended to reduce confusion if the superintendent’s evaluation is addressed in the superintendent’s contract, and to provide guidance if the evaluation is not addressed in the contract. The policy will return to the board for consideration at the next meeting.

Licensed Contract Renewals

As required by law, districts must annually notify all licensed staff of their contract status no later than March 15th. Staff are recommended either for renewal, non-renewal, extension or non-extension of individual contracts.

Individuals hired as “temporary” employees are automatically non-renewed; this action is not based on performance. The Board will receive the list of licensed staff and recommended actions under separate cover.

Food Services- Request for Proposals

The Oregon Department of Education requires districts to solicit Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for food services every five years. Staff prepared documents, now approved by ODE. The RFP will be released soon, with final proposals due in March and a recommendation submitted to the board at the May board meeting.

Superintendent Search Update

Next steps in the search for a new LCSD superintendent include:

- Finalists will be selected after interviews, with the names made public about February 16;
- The finalists will be more intensively screened;
- Site visits by school board members will occur;
- Second interviews and “meet and greet” sessions in Waldport, Toledo, Newport, Lincoln City will take place, tentatively scheduled for February 26 and 27.

As dates are finalized, they will be shared with community members, staff and students.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Chairman

Superintendent