

**LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Board of Directors- Regular Session**  
**Tuesday, May 8, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.**  
**Crestview Heights School**  
**Waldport, Oregon**

**Minutes**

- PRESIDING:** Vice Chairman Amanda Remund
- Present:** Vice Chairman Amanda Remund; Karen Bondley, Jenny Demaris, Directors
- Also Present:** Tom Rinearson, Superintendent; Laurie Urquhart, Secretary
- Handouts:** Financial Statements as of April 30, 2018; Personnel Addendum 5/8/18; Change in First Budget Committee Meeting Date; Doerfler Complex Sign

**Call to Order- Establishment of a Quorum**

Vice Chairman Remund convened the meeting and called the session to order at 7:00 p.m. Chairman Beck and Director Liz Martin were excused from the meeting.

**Introductions**

Vice Chairman Amanda Remund welcomed and introduced new Waldport High Principal Amy McNeil, Linn-Benton-Lincoln ESD Superintendent Mary McKay, ESD board member David Dunsdon, and Sheena Scarberry, Secretary to Superintendent/School Board, all in attendance at the meeting.

**Communications**

Patty Graves, Sodexo Food Services Manager, presented a check for \$2,000 representing Sodexo Food Services' scholarship contribution for 2017/18. One \$500 scholarship will be presented to each of the four regular high schools with this donation.

Ms. Graves introduced Crestview fourth grader Evan Morgan, who was one of five national finalists in the recent 'Future Chefs' competition. He created a Thai watermelon salad for the contest. Ms. Graves presented him with a scooter, helmet and a Go Pro camera from Sodexo for his national finalist ranking.

Crestview Heights parent of three students Robert Huffman addressed the Board regarding student safety at the school. He noted a need for the involvement of parents of misbehaving children, and said he would like a response regarding his concerns. "Enough of the codes, room clears, etc.," added Mr. Huffman.

Seal Rock resident Tiane Rios asked for more communication from Crestview.

Crestview parent Trevor Postma echoed the concerns of Mr. Huffman about student safety. "There is a lack of discipline for the children who are misbehaving," stated Mr. Postma. He added, "There is a handful of students causing this behavior," and said students need to be accountable for their behavior.

Signe Miller of Waldport expressed the need for skill building for students (“collaborative problem solving”), rather than punishing bad behavior. She agreed there is a problem that needs to be addressed, and said all are welcome to discuss with her.

### **Approval of Doerfler Complex Sign, Newport Middle**

**Motion 2017/18-38**

On motion of Director Bondley, seconded by Director Demaris, the Board approved a sign commemorating the Newport Middle School turf field as the “Doerfler Complex.” Long time Newport residents Ken and Judy Doerfler were avid school supporters who established a trust prior to their passing’s. In addition to the donation of \$100,000 to the turf field, the trust provides significant scholarships each year.

The request was made by Newport resident Mark Collson on a Board Communication Request (“blue card”).

### **Communications- continued:**

Waldport resident April Horton asked for a meeting to discuss safety concerns at Crestview, and noted that parents could have much to offer.

Crestview parent and employee Kristen Rock noted safety concerns at the school, and her perception of a lack of transparency. She noted, “Every child deserves the right to learn.” She said parents are unaware of “what’s going on,” and that, “Kids can break the big rules at our school and are allowed back into class. This shows children there are no rules or repercussions.”

Vice Chairman Remund thanked all for their comments.

### **Board Reports**

Director Bondley noted her attendance at a Taft 7-12 STEAM presentation, noting the “amazing” robotics students built. She said part of the evening included an art show that incorporated mathematics.

Director Jenny Demaris reported students from Siletz and Eddyville Charter Schools recently attended a well-received PAADA (Partnership Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse) presentation.

Vice Chairman Remund congratulated the Waldport High girls’ golf team for advancing to state competition.

### **South Area Report**

**Crestview Heights Principal Kelly Beaudry** updated the Board on the school’s first year involvement in the ‘stewardship schools’ program. She noted students participate in units of student that connect them to their community through science and social studies. The school is involved with ONREP (Oregon Natural Resource Education Program), and has support from Kara Allan and Kama Almasi, district community curriculum resource liaisons. “We are continuing our collaborations with the curriculum resource liaisons, the Oregon Coast Aquarium and ONREP. A training planned for this summer will take place at Westwind, a nature camp located in the north end of Lincoln County,” said Beaudry.

## **Financial Reports**

Business Services Director Kim Cusick updated the board on financial reports as of April 30, 2018. She reported figures were updated with the latest State School Fund (SSF) reconciliation from 2016/17, and noted that interest income is above 2% for the first time in a long while.

Superintendent Rinearson noted that funds such as SSF reconciliation is “one-time money that should be used for things like the pool building, rather than ongoing expenses.”

## **Superintendent’s Report**

Superintendent Tom Rinearson recognized Human Resources Specialist Jennie Scarborough for her award from the Oregon School Personnel Association as the “Human Resources Specialist/Support Staff Professional of the Year” award for 2017/18. She was nominated by her peers in the organization. Jennie has been with the District since 2004, and has been a part of Human Resources for the last six and a half years.

Mr. Rinearson thanked First Christian Church in Newport for their help in letting Yaquina View parents use their parking lot during construction on a nearby street. He noted the church is working hard to be a good community partner with the school.

The Superintendent thanked the Northwest Honda Dealers Association and Sunwest Honda for their donation of \$1,000 to Cubby Preschool and the Newport High Child Psychology class.

Superintendent Rinearson congratulated Crestview student Evan Morgan, who was one of five national finalists in the Future Chef competition. Evan created “Thai watermelon salad.”

The Superintendent thanked the Smet Charitable Foundation for their commitment of \$120,000 to Newport High: \$24,000 per year for five years for the Rising Star Scholarship. The scholarship provides \$1,000 for students who plan to attend community college. Students are eligible for a second \$1,000 their second year. The scholarship was enhanced by an Aspire volunteer who learned that one \$250 scholarship was going away. He networked to build the scholarship from one student getting \$250, to 16-20 students getting up to \$2,000 each.

## **Approval of the Consent Calendar**

**Motion 2017/18-39**

On motion of Director Demaris, seconded by Director Bondley, the Board unanimously approved Consent Calendar items, as noted in the April 10, 2018 board folder, including:

- **Minutes, April 10, 2018 Regular Session;**
- **Policy AC, AC-AR, Nondiscrimination;**
- **Policy KL, Public Complaints;**
- **Deletion of Policy, ARs LGA, Compliance with Standards;**
- **Policy KBA, Public Records;**
- **Regular Personnel Items and Addendum dated 5/8/18;**
- **Contracts, Director of Human Resources and Director of Student Services (2018-19).**

**Exemption- Property Taxes, Affordable Housing Yachats****Motion 2017/18-40**

On motion of Director Demaris, seconded by Director Bondley, the Board unanimously approved the exemption of property taxes for the Fisterra Gardens Low-Income Housing project in Yachats, Oregon as proposed by Lincoln County Counsel Wayne Belmont in his letter of 4/18/18.

Lincoln County approved the exemption. Under state law, a nonprofit owner/developer can apply for the exemption from property taxes if the housing is occupied by low-income residents.

**Curriculum Adoptions- Writing K-5, Science 6-12 and Health 6-12****Motion 2017/18-41**

On motion of Director Demaris, seconded by Director Bondley, the Board unanimously approved Units of Study- Writing by Lucy Calkins for the K-5 writing curriculum, STEMscopes for middle school science, Glencoe for high school science, Great Body Shop for middle school health and Goodheart-Wilcox for the high school health curriculum.

Board members received information on the materials at the April board meeting from Community Curriculum Resource Liaisons Kama Almasi and Kara Allan. The selections were made using committees of teachers for each subject, and considered state standards, best practices, student engagement and cost.

**Need for Layoff**

This item was removed from the agenda by Vice Chairman Remund as a layoff of licensed staff is a very small possibility for the coming year.

**Complaint Regarding Public Employee****Motion 2017/18-42**

On motion of Director Demaris, seconded by Director Bondley, the Board unanimously sustained the decision of the superintendent regarding a complaint filed against a public employee.

**Addendum: Change in Budget Committee Meeting Date****Motion 2017/18-43**

On motion of Director Bondley, seconded by Director Demaris, the Board unanimously approved changing the date for the first Budget Committee meeting from May 15 to May 22, 2018.

Circumstances have changed since the board approved the date of the first budget committee meeting and the district would be better served holding the first meeting on May 22.

The start time of 7:00 p.m. and location of Newport High's Boone Center will remain the same. If a second meeting is needed, it will occur Thursday, May 24 (location to be determined).

**Discussion, Lincoln City Career Tech (Charter) High School Contract**

Director of Elementary and Special Education Susan Van Liew presented a draft contract between LCSD and Community Services Consortium for the operation of Lincoln City Career Tech Charter School. The agreement was reviewed by both entities as well as district legal counsel. The most significant change is lengthening the term of the contract from five years to ten.

Director Demaris asked if the school could increase their student cap if they so chose. The Superintendent replied that both parties would have to agree to such a change.

The contract (charter) will return to the board for consideration at the next meeting.

### **Policy GBEB, Communicable Diseases, Staff and Policy JHCC, JHCC-AR, Communicable Diseases- Students**

Policies GBEB and JHCC, Communicable Diseases for staff and students respectively, have vacillated between being combined and separated several times throughout the years. OSBA now suggests the policies and administrative be separated as there are slightly different responses between students and staff.

The policies and the student administrative rules will return to the board for consideration at the next meeting. (JHCC-AR is one of the few administrative rules requiring board approval.)

### **Policy JG- Student Discipline**

District administrators have been working on the student behavior management system by defining terms and the overall approach to student discipline. One outcome of this work is a revision to Policy JG, Student Discipline

Director Van Liew noted the current policy is very close to what administrators believe. One paragraph has been slightly modified.

Superintendent Rinearson reported district administrators met for two half-days to discuss student behavior management systems in the district. He noted that systems are being aligned, and the change to the policy is the first step in this process. Next, systems in each building will be examined to ensure like definitions; consequences will then be aligned. He stated that every school building will have student behavior systems they will communicate to their families, and said the Board could select a time next school year to revisit this topic.

Director Van Liew noted the “how” to enact the policy would be addressed in the administrative rules (ARs). The Superintendent explained that the Board sets the ‘fencing’ (policy) and ARs are developed by the Superintendent and administrative team to stay within the ‘fence.’

Director Demaris expressed her interest in the definition of serious physical harm, suggested a threat to health or safety of students should include the emotion of the students.

Mr. Rinearson said, “Many are on the same page that we need to do something” about student discipline. “We are in the middle of doing this work; a true discipline system changes behavior, and we strive to restore the student back into the school,” he stated. He added that it could be that the entire school structure, developed near the turn of the last century, will need to be re-thought.

The policy will return for the board’s consideration at the next meeting.

## **Appropriations Transfer**

Business Services Director Kim Cusick presented two appropriations transfers for the board's consideration. The first (2017/18-7), is needed to transfer between funds to compensate for a higher than originally stated interest rate on QSCB bonds and to transfer appropriations between functions to properly account for construction at the former pool building.

The second resolution (#8) does not have finalized figures yet, but will be before the next board meeting. This resolution is necessitated by construction at the former pool building. A transfer of funds is needed from the general fund to the Building Maintenance fund.

Both resolutions will return for the board's consideration at the next meeting.

## **2018/19 Board Meeting Calendar**

The 2018/19 board meeting calendar was developed continuing the practice of holding board meetings on the second Tuesday night of the month. Board meetings may be added at the request of the board. The calendar is draft at this point and may be adjusted prior to being adopted by the board.

## **Transition Plan**

Superintendent Rinearson reported Superintendent designate Dr. Karen Gray visited the district several times over the last month; she and Superintendent Rinearson also speak weekly by phone. He distributed a draft organizational chart that reflects the beginnings of how the central structure may be organized next year. Discussions are continuing.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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Chairman

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Superintendent