

**LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors- Regular Session
Tuesday, August 14, 2018- 7:00 p.m.
Newport High School
Newport, Oregon**

Minutes

PRESIDING: Amanda Remund, Chairman

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

Also Present: Dr. Karen Gray, Superintendent; Sheena Scarberry, Secretary.

Handouts: Financial Statements as of July 31, 2018; Personnel Addendum, August 14, 2018.

Call to Order- Establishment of a Quorum

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

Communications

The Board received no written communications or requests from the audience to speak. Director Beck thanked district office staff for remembering his birthday.

Financial Report

Business Services Director Kim Cusick shared the June 2017/18 financial reports as of August 13, 2018 and explained that the final numbers are not quite complete and won't be absolute until after the annual audit slated for October. The auditor will attend the December regular session to present the audited financial reports to the Board.

Ms. Cusick updated the Board on financial reports as of July 31, 2018. The estimated 2018/19 starting balance may still change, depending on the 2017/2018 reconciliation. Over the past month, revenue was up slightly and expenditures were slightly down. She reported normal activity for this time of year and noted interest rates are continuing to climb incrementally.

Facilities Report

Facilities Director Rich Belloni updated the Board on the purchase of the "Holly Farm" property, a 55+ acre parcel located north of Lincoln City. The purchase has not yet closed and is dependent upon a land survey of the entire property.

Mr. Belloni reported on the construction projects throughout the entire district, including the ROV Shed at Toledo Jr./Sr., playground at Toledo Elementary, fencing and painting at numerous schools, and Waldport's CTE "Tiny House" shed.

The Facilities crew is working with Groth-Gates, Principal Nick Lupo, Taft Site Council and Lincoln City community members to build a batting cage for the Taft Jr./Sr. softball team. The facility will mirror the baseball team's batting cage.

The seismic upgrade construction at Newport High School is on schedule and is slated for a November 15th complete date. The roof was removed and replaced over the summer. School murals and logos will need to be repainted. Mr. Belloni will work with Principal Reyna Mattson and Newport Boosters to determine needs. Volleyball practice and games will be held at Newport Middle School and Sam Case Elementary.

The seismic upgrade construction at Sam Case is nearly complete. Mr. Belloni assured the Board that students will be able to attend school on time. The project will not be completely finished, but the vital components will be. Five classrooms are currently ready and all are scheduled to be completed by August 27th.

The Teaching and Learning Center is only days away from gaining occupancy. Final inspections are impending. Local contractors were utilized as much as possible throughout the entire project. The working relationship between contractors and the district are good.

Waldport CTE's "tiny house" was built and put up for bid last year. After a number of insufficient offers, the tiny house was removed from the market. Another tiny house will be finished shortly and both complete homes will be put out for bid. Mr. Belloni commended the CTE program, stating "It's a cool gig."

Director Demaris inquired about transportation and bussing for the upcoming school year. Mid-Columbia Bus Company has undergone a recent personnel transition but is working with the district to prepare for the upcoming school year.

Superintendent Gray applauded Mr. Belloni and his staff for their diligent work and stated "The amount of facilities work occurring throughout the district is incomprehensible and we truly appreciate you."

Board Reports:

The Board shared highlights of their annual "retreat" work session held at Salishan Resort on August 3rd. Board members agreed that the retreat helped to realize each other's personalities and the core values of the group. Their roles, collaborations and responsibilities as Board members were better understood after the retreat. Director Beck stated "The retreat reaffirmed the belief in the strong team we have....and Dr. Gray amplified it."

Superintendent Report

Policy Updates – First Reading

Discussion on Policies IGBA, IGBAG-AR, IGBAH, IGBAJ, IGBAJ-AR, IGBHE, IKF and JECA, Special Education, Expanded Options, Graduation and Admission of Resident Students

Policies IGBA, IGBAG-AR, IGBAH, IGBAJ, IGBAJ-AR, IGBHE, IKF and JECA all pertain to the same policy change. Senate Bill 1522 corrected language in SB 20 (2017) that prevented districts from accessing state school funding for students that received their modified diplomas and still wanted special education transition services (ages 18-21). The policies have been amended to reflect a change in legal citation. Students on IEPS may access expanded options.

Discussion on Policy JBA/GBN and GBN/JBA, Sexual Harassment

Policies JBA/GBN, GBN/JBA and their administrative regulations have been updated to reflect House Bill 4150 (2018), and the temporary rules in OAR 581-021-0038 adopted by the State Board of Education on June 21, 2018. The revision expands the required information to be provided for sexual harassment complaints and extends protections in district policies to a person on or immediately adjacent to district property, at any district-sponsored activities, utilizing district-provided transportation or district bus stops. The update requires written notification, in plain language to complainant(s) that must include: a. rights of the complainant and b. information on legal and disciplinary options, school services, outside services and privacy rights.

Discussion on Policy ECACB, Unmanned Aircraft (Drone)

Policy ECACB is required if a district has drones in their curriculum. The policy allows for third party use. It has been identified that third-party use of unmanned aircraft may also need to comply with registration requirements and authorization from the Oregon Department of Aviation.

Discussion on Policy GBC, Staff Ethics

At OSBA's request, the Oregon Government Ethics Commission (OGEC) completed a review of OSBA's current model policy GBC – Staff Ethics, resulting in OSBA making some recommended edits to policy.

Discussion on Policy GCBDC/GDBDC, Domestic Violence, Harassment, Sexual Assault, or Stalking Leave

Policy GCBDC/GDBDC is being updated to more accurately reflect the language in ORS 659A.285 regarding use of paid leave. Stalking leave is a fairly new concept for policy.

Discussion on Policy GCDA/GDDA, Criminal Records Checks and Fingerprinting

The State Board of Education adopted (OAR) 581-21-0502, implementing House Bill 2992 (2017), which directs that if a district wants to fingerprint certain volunteer positions, that those specific volunteer positions must be identified in board policy. The recommended policy revisions provide language that meets the new OAR requirements.

Discussion on Policy JECBA, Foreign Exchange Student

Dr. Gray has elected to add the policy to our district, as there is currently no specific policy on foreign exchange students. Policy JECBA specifies the criteria and expectations required for admission of an exchange student.

The above policies will return as Consent Calendar items at the next Board meeting.

All Administration Retreat

Superintendent Gray presented an outline of the All-Administration Retreat, held on August 7th – 10th. The Administration team met for a four day, intensive retreat at OMSI Coastal Discovery Center in Newport. In-depth discussions were held on student behavior, AVID and meaningful professional development. Essential, core questions were asked of the Administrators and resulted in invaluable conversations. Dr. Gray was able to meet and work with every single Administrator within the district. She shared “The A-Team is really quite amazing. There is more talent in this one school district than I have ever seen in my career.”

Board Retreat

Dr. Gray discussed how pleased she was with the August 3rd Board Retreat. She enjoyed building relationships with Board members and learning their fundamental beliefs around education. Superintendent Gray shared “the entire day was filled with robust discussion and wasn’t for the faint of heart.” A follow-up work session has been scheduled for August 28th at 5:15pm and will be held at Newport High School (east campus conference room).

Approval of the Consent Calendar

Motion 2018/19-7

On motion of Director Beck, seconded by Vice Chair Martin, the Board unanimously approved consent calendar items, as noted in the August 14, 2018 board folder including:

- Minutes: July 10, 2018 Regular Session
- Regular Personnel Items & Addendum

Cooperative Agreement, Eddyville to NHS Soccer Player

Motion 2018/19-8

On motion of Director Demaris, seconded by Vice Chair Martin, the Board unanimously approved a cooperative agreement between Eddyville Charter School and Newport High to allow an Eddyville soccer player to participate on the Newport High girls’ soccer team for the 2018/19 season. Similar agreements have been approved in the past.

Addendum to the Superintendent Contract

Motion 2018/19-9

On motion of Director Beck, seconded by Director Demaris, the Board unanimously approved the addendum to Dr. Gray’s contract.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Chairman

Superintendent