

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE OREGON SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD ON JANUARY 28, 2008

The regular meeting of the School Board of the Oregon School District was called to order by Mr. Kornetzke, President at 6:34 PM in the Rome Corners Intermediate School in the Village of Oregon, Dane County, Wisconsin. Upon roll call, the following board members were present: Mrs. Atkinson, Dr. Farrar, Mr. Kornetzke, Ms. Odorico, Mr. Trgo and Mr. Zach. The following board members were absent: Dr. DiCamelli. Administrators present: Dr. Busler, Mr. Weiland, Mr. Ligocki, Dr. Koehler, Ms. Bonsett-Veal, Ms. Peschel, Mrs. Weidensee, Mr. Telfer, Ms. Sveom, Mrs. Murphy, Dr. Rugotska, and Mrs. Miller.

Proof in the form of a certificate by the Oregon Observer of communications and public notice given to the public and the Oregon Observer and a certificate of posting as required by Section 19.84 Wisconsin Statutes as to the holding of this meeting was presented by Mr. Kornetzke.

Mrs. Atkinson moved and Mr. Zach seconded the motion to proceed with the meeting according to the agenda as posted. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Mrs. Atkinson moved and Mr. Zach seconded the motion to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar.

1. Approve minutes of the January 14, 2008 meeting;
2. Approve vouchers in the amount of \$ 826,082.61;
3. Treasurer's Report – December 31, 2007;
4. Staff Resignations/Retirements – none.
5. Staff Assignments: Jeanette Heitman - .50 FTE Interim Speech/Language at NKE; Lindsey Rasmussen – PVE, change in contract from .90 to 1.0 Reading Plus/GT Resource;

Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

B. COMMUNICATION FROM PUBLIC:

The following people submitted remarks regarding the World Language Proposal:

- Ms. Ellestad spoke as a member of the World Language Task Force representing the Foreign Language department.
- Jessie Alhanz, a former student of OHS spoke in support of German being taught in the elementary program.
- Lisa Gehrke, a German teacher at Stoughton High School spoke in support of the German program and presented the Board of Education with a letter.
- Scott Flanagan, a parent and former Board member, spoke in favor of the World Language proposal.
- Cathy Weise, an elementary parent, spoke against the World Language proposal
- Teri Mills, a retired principal, spoke in favor of the World Language proposal.
- Tina Bastian, a elementary parent, spoke in favor of lowering class sizes instead of World Language.
- Jacy Boldebuck, a parent and former Board member, spoke in favor of teaching Spanish in grades K-6.
- Terry Larson, a teacher at BKE spoke against the World Language proposal.
- Mark Lindsey, OEA President spoke on behalf of the OEA in favor of the World Language proposal but asked to be allowed to help craft the next stage on how to facilitate foreign language in OMS.
- Erika Faulker and Jeff Dyer, teachers at OHS presented a Power Point presentation advocating for the German program.

C. ACTION ITEMS:

1. World Languages K-6: Ms. Odorico spoke on behalf of the World Languages proposal. Ms. Odorico moved and Mr. Zach seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the implementation of teaching Spanish in grades K-4 for the 2008-09 school year and adding grades 5-6 for the 2009-10 and request a report from the Superintendent by June 9, 2008 summarizing the World Language recommendations for OMS and OHS. This report will include data sources and input from staff

and community on what languages will be taught. After discussion the following members voted yes: Ms. Odorico, Mr. Zach, Mrs. Atkinson and Mr. Kornetzke. The following members voted no: Mr. Trgo and Dr. Farrar. Motion carried 4-2.

2. Adoption of Budget Process for next school year: Mr. Weiland presented. Mrs. Atkinson moved and Mr. Trgo seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the budget timeline for the 2008-09 budget as presented. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS: Student Achievement- No discussion items.

E. DISCUSSION ITEMS – OTHER Topics-No discussion items.

F. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. From OEA President (moved to B.2 under communication).
2. Parent Support Resource Coordinator Position Update – Mrs. Miller presented.
3. Summer School Classes: Dr. Rugotska provided an informational update on questions raised at the January 14th Board meeting regarding Summer School course offering options.

G. CLOSING:

1. Future Agenda was established
2. Check Out-Mr. Kornetzke and Dr. Busler gave closing remarks.

H. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Trgo moved and Mrs. Atkinson seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Dr. DiCamelli, Clerk
Oregon School District