

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE OREGON SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD ON OCTOBER 12, 2020

The regular meeting of the School Board of the Oregon School District was called to order by Board President Steve Zach at 6:30 PM on October 12, 2020, via Google Hangouts and conference calls. Upon roll call, the following Board members were physically present: None. The following members were remotely present: Ms. Heather Garrison, Mr. Kevin Mehring, Ms. Krista Flanagan, Ms. Ahna Bizjak, Mr. Troy Pankratz, Mr. Tim LeBrun and Mr. Steve Zach. Board Members absent: None. Mr. Zach affirmed that all Board members could hear each other and that each Board member had all documents which were going to be discussed during the meeting.

Administrators physically present: None. Administrators remotely present: Dr. Leslie Bergstrom, Mr. Andy Weiland, Dr. Candace Weidensee, Mr. Jon Tanner, Ms. Jina Jonen, Ms. Darci Jarstad Kreuger, Ms. Erika Munding, Ms. Jackie Amlong, Ms. Kerri Modjeski, Ms. Anna Seidenstricker, Ms. Lindsay Engelhart, Mr. Chris Kluck, Ms. Maria Rach, Ms. Dawn Goltz, Ms. Mary Hermes, Ms. Cyndi Olander, Mr. Steven Blue, Dr. Shannon Anderson, Mr. Jason Zurawik, Ms. Katie Anderson, Mr. Brad Ashmore, Mr. Jim Pliner, Mr. Mike Carr, Mr. David Piovanetti. Also remotely present were OEA Representatives, Laura Stoller as well as Student Representatives Chloe Jacobson and Andrew Palmer.

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 Wis. Stat. sec. 19.84 as to the holding of this meeting was presented by Mr. Zach.

Mr. LeBrun moved and Ms. Flanagan seconded the motion to proceed with the meeting as posted. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Mr. LeBrun, Ms. Flanagan, Ms. Garrison, Mr. Mehring, Mr. Pankratz, Ms. Bizjak and Mr. Zach. Motion passed 7-0.

### A. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Ms. Bizjak moved and Ms. Garrison seconded the motion to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Approval of Minutes:
  - September 28, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approve payments in the amount of \$1,665,126.31
3. Treasurer's Report: None
4. Staff Resignations/Retirements: None
5. Staffing Assignments: None
6. Field Trip Requests: None

## 7. Acceptance of Donations:

- Children’s Hospital for Healthy School Grant in the amount of \$500 for OMS - nutrition, physical activity and/or mindfulness focused improvement activities;
- Wisconsin Masonic Foundation in the amount of \$1000 for the ACT Kind Scholarship match;
- Oregon Masonic Lodge in the amount of \$500 for a scholarship;
- Children’s Hospital for Healthy School Grant in the amount of \$500 for NKE - nutrition, physical activity and/or mindfulness focused improvement activities;
- Oregon PTO in the amount of \$10,550 for NKE for the 2020-2021 School Year; and
- Friends of Oregon School District in the amount of \$25,000 for Connecting Oregon Kids.

In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Bizjak, Ms. Garrison, Mr. Mehring, Ms. Flanagan, Mr. Pankratz, Mr. LeBrun and Mr. Zach. Motion passed 7-0.

## B. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Public Comment: Mr. Zach and Ms. Flanagan read emails from the community regarding support for opening schools to more in person learning as well as in support of continuing to follow the guidelines from Public Health Madison Dane County. Emails were read into the record from the following community members:

- Andrea and Derek Below;
- Molly and Tony Vidal;
- Ildi Martonffy;
- Dana and Jeff Kobernusz;
- Jennifer Benrafa;
- Jackson Umhoefer;
- Adrienne Elert;
- Karin Davidson;
- Stephanie Osborn;
- Beth Malcook;
- Julie Myers;
- Nicole Holtzen;
- Michael Mills;
- Jesse Goplin;
- Jim Schliem;
- Malia King;
- Jessie Pierick;
- Melissa Kingsley;
- Edward Ogodogu;
- Kelly Petrie;
- Rob and Heather Hill

The following community members emailed, but were not read into the record due to time constraints as set forth by Policy 180.05 which limits Public Comment to no more than one hour in length:

- Dallas Rose Rogers
- Jenny Haley
- Sarah Schliem
- Kiley Ogodogu

2. OEA Report: None
3. Student Representative Report: Ms. Jacobson reported that the High School Student Council is working to come up with ideas for a virtual Homecoming Week. The Student Council will be putting on a new student virtual lunch next week to welcome new students to the high school. Mr. Palmer announced that more and more clubs are starting up virtually at the high school, and that students are happy to be engaging in them.

C. ACTION ITEMS:

1. None

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Committee Reports
  - a. Policy: None
  - b. Vision Steering: Chairperson Pankratz reported that the Vision Steering Committee met on September 22nd to review the first draft of the 2020-2021 goals and made significant progress towards finalizing the goals. We will be postponing the October 15th meeting to a later date.

E. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Opening of School Update 2020-2021: Dr. Bergstrom, Dr. Anderson, Mr. Pliner, Mr. Carr and Dr. Weidensee presented the Board with an update on the start of the 2020-2021 school year, including an update on the phased restart of the K-2 students that are back in the buildings 4 days per week for ½ days, an update on the contact tracing and cases and quarantines in the district, an update on the phased restart for grades 3-5, 6 and 7-12, introducing learning hubs for grades 5-12, an update on co-curriculars, an update on mental health and social emotional learning, an enrollment update as well as next steps the District will be taking. Board members had the opportunity to ask questions of administrators and to express their thoughts and clarify where they stand on the return to school plans.

At 9:56 PM, President Zach asked all Board Members if there were any objections to extend the meeting past 10:00 as required by policy 180. There were no objections.

2. Summer School Report: Postponed to the October 28th Board Meeting..
3. Report on Professional Development Pathways: Postponed to a future meeting.

4. Superintendent's Report: Dr. Bergstrom shared that we have signed a contract to continue our partnership with the Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership Development to continue to offer training to the staff and community, to create a unified Equity Team and to continue to support the Oregon School District in its push for equitable environments. She further shared that she has been making connections with partners to help us bring an equity lens to our strategic planning process.

F. CLOSING:

1. Future Agenda: Discussion was held.
2. Check Out: Board members had an opportunity to share.

Mr. Zach announced that the Board would postpone the closed session until a future meeting.

G. CLOSED SESSION:

1. Consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, in particular the evaluation process of the District Superintendent: Postponed.

H. ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Flanagan moved and Mr. Pankratz seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Flanagan, Mr. Pankratz, Ms. Garrison, Mr. Mehring, Ms. Bizjak, Mr. LeBrun, and Mr. Zach. Motion passed 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:35 PM.

Krista Flanagan, Clerk  
Oregon School District