

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE OREGON SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

The regular meeting of the School Board of the Oregon School District was called to order by Board President Krista Flanagan at 6:30 PM on September 13, 2021 in the OSD Innovation Center at the Oregon High School in the Village of Oregon, Dane County, Wisconsin. Upon roll call, the following Board members were present: Ms. Ahna Bizjak, Ms. Heather Garrison, Dr. Mary Lokuta, Mr. Tim LeBrun, Mr. Troy Pankratz and Ms. Krista Flanagan. Board members absent: Mr. Kevin Mehring. Administrators present: Dr. Leslie Bergstrom, Ms. Jina Jonen, Ms. Erika Munding, Mr. Jon Tanner, Mr. Andy Weiland, Dr. Candace Weidensee, Ms. Kerri Modjeski, Ms. Jessica Erdahl, Ms. Anna Seidenstricker, Ms. Lindsay Engelhart, Ms. Dawn Goltz, Ms. Mary Hermes, Ms. Darci Jarstad Krueger, Ms. Cyndi Olander, Dr. Shannon Anderson, Mr. Jason Zurawik, Ms. Katie Anderson, Mr. Brad Ashmore, Mr. Jim Pliner, Mr. Mike Carr, Ms. Lindsay Eimerman and Ms. Amy 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 Wis. Stat. sec. 19.84 as to the holding of this meeting was presented by Ms. Flanagan.

Mr. LeBrun moved and Ms. Garrison seconded the motion to proceed with the meeting as posted. In a roll call vote the following members voted yes: Motion passed 6-0 by unanimous voice vote.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

1. Approval of Minutes:

- a. August 23, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes;
- b. August 23, 2021 Executive Session Minutes;
- c. September 7, 2021 Special Board Meeting Minutes;
- d. September 7, 2021 Executive Session Minutes;
- e. August 9, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

2. Approve payments in the amount of \$1,363,934.64

3. Treasurer's Report: None

4. Staff Resignations/Retirements: None

5. Staffing Assignments: None

6. Field Trip Requests: None

7. Acceptance of Donations:

- One Community Bank in the amount of \$5000 for 2020-2021 Scoreboard Sponsorship;
- Oregon Masonic Lodge in the amount of \$750 for the Oregon Masonic Scholarship;
- Wisconsin Masonic Foundation in the amount of \$750 for the Oregon Masonic Scholarship;

- Marilyn Rebman in the amount of \$400 for use to purchase clothes for students in need;
- Audrey Appel in the amount of \$1000 for school supplies for elementary students in need

In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes with Dr. Lokuta abstaining from the 8/23/2021 Board Meeting Minutes and the 8/23/2021 Executive Session Minutes: Mr. Pankratz, Ms. Bizjak, Ms. Garrison, Dr. Lokuta, Mr. LeBrun and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 6-0.

B. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Public Comment: None
2. OEA Report: None
3. Student Representative Report: None

C. ACTION ITEMS:

1. 2021-2022 Preliminary Budget - Mr. Pankratz moved and Mr. LeBrun seconded the motion to approve the 2020-21 Preliminary Budget as presented by Mr. Andy Weiland. Board members had the opportunity to ask questions regarding the budget. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Motion passed 6-0.
2. Consideration of WASB Resolution Proposal regarding Advanced Programming - Mr. Pankratz moved and Dr. Lokuta seconded the motion to approve the following resolution for submission to the WASB as presented by Ms. Amy Miller *“The WASB encourages districts to provide a variety of advanced programming opportunities for students K-12, including acceleration options, and to offer opportunities to individuals such that students from every background are able to achieve at their highest possible levels.”* Board members asked questions. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Mr. Pankratz, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Bizjak, Ms. Garrison, Mr. LeBrun and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 6-0.

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Committee Reports
 - a. Policy - Chairperson Bizjak shared that the next policy meeting will be held on September 20th. Items of future discussion will include Policy 152 Public Records, the 2022-2023 school calendar and Policy 175 Student Centered Decision Making.
 - b. Vision Steering - Chairperson Pankratz shared that the Vision Steering Committee met this past week and discussed drafts of the Portrait of a Graduate (Policy 411.02) process as well as the framework for Student Centered Decision Making. Mr. Pankratz also stated that future discussions will include a District-wide facilities study.
 - c. Werth Woods - Chairperson LeBrun shared that the committee met this past week. He shared that the initial priorities have been safety and submitting the school forest application to the WI Department of Natural Resources. Mr. LeBrun also stated that the committee discussed creating a Friends of Werth

Woods group that will be kicking off by gauging interest at the Forest Edge Grand Opening on September 28th.

E. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Opening of School 2021-2022: Dr. Bergstrom shared that the District is continuing to prioritize Mental & Physical Wellness and High Quality Teaching & Learning as we welcome students back for the 2021-2022 school year. She stated that we have increased contact tracing resources; we are having to adapt school menus and athletic contests due to supply shortages in areas such as food service, athletic officials, and tents for outdoor learning. We are continuing to seek paraprofessionals, substitutes, food service workers and bus supervisors. Dr. Bergstrom reported that, due to the updated public health order, our band students are now playing instruments using appropriate bell covers and incorporating 6 feet of spacing between students
2. Visioning and Strategic Planning: Dr. Bergstrom shared an update to the Portrait of a Graduate Input and Design Process. She also provided a brief overview of the Theories of Action and school-level goals that each building has developed using student data.
3. Teaching and Learning Update: Dr. Bergstrom stated that the first few weeks of school are spent getting to know one another and creating classroom communities as well as establishing norms and routines for each classroom. We will begin both formal and informal assessments in the coming weeks.
4. Annual Meeting Update - Dr. Bergstrom gave an update that the Annual Meeting will be September 27th and that the agenda, that was approved on September 7th, will be published in the Oregon Observer.
5. Summer Semester Report - Mr. Brad Ashmore and Mr. Jason Zurawik presented a report to the Board regarding the success of the 2021 Summer Semester. They shared the enrollment numbers of students enrolled in at least one course over the past three years- 2019: 2662, 2020: 655; 2021: 2062 and how they are continuing to look for ways to engage the middle-level students that historically have not been as engaged as other levels. There were 114 total courses offered between multiple different formats. Mr. Zurawik shared that the summer semester team is continually looking to improve family communication and support, to refine the staffing model, and to promote more course offerings and opportunities. Board members had the opportunity to ask questions.
6. Superintendent's Report: It was noted that "Make Music Oregon" was selected as a recipient of the 2021 WMEA Melvin F. Pontious Creative Sparks Award which will be awarded to Laura Burns and Nate Mendl at the Wisconsin State Music Conference in October. Dr. Bergstrom announced that the Forest Edge Grand Opening will be held on Tuesday September 28 from 5:45 - 7:30 and will include a ribbon Cutting Ceremony and self-guided tours. She shared that anyone that is interested is welcome and encouraged to attend.

F. CLOSING:

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

The Board took a 5-minute recess at 8:19 to move into closed session as announced by Ms. Flanagan.

Ms. Garrison moved and Dr. Lokuta seconded the motion to move into closed session. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Garrison, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Bizjak, Mr. LeBrun, Mr. Pankratz and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 6-0. The Board was in closed session at 8:25 PM.

H. CLOSED SESSION:

1. Consideration of Performance Evaluation regarding District Administrator pursuant to is Wisconsin Statute § 19.85(1)(c): Discussion Held

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:00 PM.

Mr. LeBrun moved and Mr. Pankratz seconded the motion to amend the first sentence in the Superintendent contract under Section 1. Duration to read: “This contract is for the two (2) year period from July 1, 2021, through June 20, 2023. The contract will be extended on the same terms and conditions for an additional year, subject to salary or benefit adjustments, if any, unless the Board votes by two-thirds majority not to grant such extension or adjustments no later than January 1, 2022.” In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Mr. LeBrun, Mr. Pankratz, Ms. Garrison, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Bizjak and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 6-0.

I. ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Lokuta moved and Ms. Garrison seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by 6-0 unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 9:02 PM.

Ahna Bizjak, Clerk
Oregon School District