

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE OREGON  
SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD ON OCTOBER 25, 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 October 25, 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 physically present: Ms. Ahna Bizjak, Ms. Heather Garrison, Mr. Tim LeBrun, Mr. Troy Pankratz and Ms. Krista Flanagan. Board members remotely present: Dr. Mary Lokuta. Administrators present: Dr. Leslie Bergstrom, Ms. Jina Jonen, Ms. Erika Mundinger, Mr. Jon Tanner, Mr. Andy Weiland, Dr. Candace Weidensee, Ms. Darci Jarstad Krueger, Mr. Mike Carr, Ms. Kerri Modjeski, Ms. Jessica Erdahl, Ms. Anna Seidenstricker, Ms. Lindsay Engelhart, Ms. Dawn Goltz, Ms. Karen Newlon, Ms. Mary Hermes, Ms. Cyndi Olander, Ms. Katie Anderson, Dr. Shannon Anderson, Mr. Jason Zurawik and Mr. Jim Pliner.

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.

Ms. Garrison moved and Mr. Pankratz seconded the motion to proceed with the meeting as posted. Motion passed 7-0 by unanimous voice vote.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

1. Approval of Minutes: 10/11/2021 Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approve payments in the amount of \$485,643.22
3. Treasurer's Report: Ending September 30, 2021
4. Staff Resignations/Retirements:
  - Emily Staveness, Resignation, .5 FTE District Wide Nurse
5. Staffing Assignments: None
6. Field Trip Requests: None
7. Acceptance of Donations:
  - Krause Estate Planning in the amount of \$450 for the Oregon-Brooklyn Splash Pad;
  - Frederick and Ann Rouse in the amount of \$400 for the Oregon-Brooklyn Splash Pad and
  - Gunderson Funeral and Cremation Care in the amount of \$25,000 for the Oregon-Brooklyn Splash Pad

Ms. Flanagan thanked those that generously donated to the Oregon School District. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Mr. Pankratz, Mr. LeBrun, Ms. Bizjak, Ms. Garrison, Mr. Mehring, Dr. Lokuta and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 7-0.

B. INFORMATION ITEMS:

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

C. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Approval of the 2021-2022 Budget: Mr. Weiland presented a report on the proposed 2021-2022 budget. Board members had the opportunity to ask questions regarding the budget. Mr. Pankratz moved and Dr. Lokuta seconded the motion to adopt the 2021-2022 Original Budget as presented. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Mr. Pankratz, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Bizjak, Ms. Garrison, Mr. Mehring, Mr. LeBrun and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 7-0.
2. Certification of the 2021 Tax Levy - Mr. Weiland presented a report on the 2021 Tax Levy. Board members had the opportunity to ask questions and additional discussion was held. Ms. Garrison moved and Mr. LeBrun seconded the motion to approve the 2021 Tax Levy as presented. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes; Ms. Garrison, Mr. LeBrun, Ms. Bizjak, Mr. Mehring, Dr. Lokuta, Mr. Pankratz and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 7-0.

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Committee Reports
  - a. Policy - Chairperson Bizjak shared that the Policy Committee met last week and will be bringing the 2022-2023 calendar and Policy 324: Student Record Changes to the November 8th Board Meeting. She also shared that the next Policy Committee meeting will be Monday, November 15th at 5:30 in a virtual setting.
  - b. Vision Steering - Chairperson Pankratz shared that the Vision Steering Committee will be meeting next week and the agenda will include discussion of the Portrait of a Graduate draft as well as the recreational facilities space study and the Decision-Making-Framework.
  - c. Werth Woods - Chairperson LeBrun shared that the facilities sub-committee continues to meet on a regular basis to discuss the needed improvements to allow for the future use of the property.

E. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Vision and Strategic Planning: Dr. Bergstrom provided an update to the Board on the Administrative Team piloting the Decision Making Framework with School Leadership Teams and feedback will be provided in the future. She also shared that we are moving into the input phase of the Portrait of a Graduate process and will be sharing a draft with the focus group participants as well as families, students and staff in the coming months.
2. Teaching and Learning Update: Dr. Bergstrom shared how teaching and learning, mental health and wellness and healthy students and staff are three interrelated concepts that are working together to help us reach our goal of keeping our students healthy and to provide high quality teaching and learning. She shared the importance of foundational relationships and classroom communities, that Fall conferences have begun and will continue through November, and that analyzing the data is only one part of determining student achievement. Dr. Bergstrom also shared that we are continuing to look for substitutes as staffing for absences continues to be a challenge. She shared that action steps for teaching and learning include analyzing the data, ensuring students have what they need to move forward, continuing to advertise and recruit substitutes, increasing pay for building subs and teachers covering classes for colleagues, planning and preparing for the future as it relates to updated safety measures, continuing to build community and continuing to look for ways to ease strain on staff.
3. Superintendent's Report: Dr. Bergstrom and the Board welcomed Brittany Spencer Grant as the new Director of Athletics. Brittany officially began in the district today! Dr. Bergstrom shared her congratulations to the fall athletic teams including Emily Hopp and Addison Sable for qualifying for the WIAA State girls golf tournament, Ella Peotter who qualified for the WIAA State girls tennis tournament, the volleyball team who played in the Regional Finals, the boys soccer team for becoming Regional Champions, and the girls cross country team for qualifying for the WIAA State Meet. She also offered congratulations to OHS teacher, Jeff Dyer, for receiving the American Association of Teachers /Goethe-Institut Outstanding GAPP Coordinator Award which honors a teacher who provides opportunities for students to study abroad through the German American Partnership Program. Dr. Bergstrom further shared that students recently took part in the Great Apple Crunch and celebrated National Hispanic Heritage Month. She stated that OMS teachers Nathan Mahr and Chris Mitchell received the 2021 Energy Educator of the Year award from the Wisconsin K-12 Energy Education Program and Alliant Energy. Dr. Bergstrom congratulated Sophia Davidson who was named as a National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist and became one of approximately 16,000 students across the nation to receive this honor. And finally, Dr. Bergstrom recognized our OSD Principals for all of their hard work and she noted that October is National Principal Month.

F. CLOSING:

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

G. ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Garrison moved and Mr. Pankratz seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by 7-0 unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Ahna Bizjak, Clerk  
Oregon School District