



BOARD REPORT

A Summary of the June 9, 2015 School Board Meeting

The school board met in regular session on June 9, 2015 at Newport High School with approximately 30 members of the staff, media and patrons present.

Public Hearing- Approved Budget

The board recessed into a public hearing of the approved 2015-16 budget.

South Beach resident Cari Jenkins addressed the board with concern regarding administrators' salaries and her hope that teachers can be compensated fairly for the good work they do.

She also said she does not feel eliminating the Communications Coordinator position is wise and said she feels it is not far removed from classrooms. "I would prefer more communication from the district," said Jenkins.

She questioned the amount of money budgeted for technology, and said she felt the district is becoming a district of "testing rather than learning. I want students having daily hands on experiences, not just learning how to take tests."

Chairman Martin thanked Ms. Jenkins for her comments and said she would be happy to have a conversation with her.

The regular session was then reconvened.

Tom Moore Memorial Award

Taft 7-12 Principal Majalise Tolan introduced Lincoln City residents Matt and Tara Daniels, recipients of the 2015 Tom Moore Memorial Award. Ms. Tolan thanked the couple for their many years of selfless dedication to Taft 7-12. They were presented with a plaque honoring them.

Board Reports

Director Amanda Remund reported Waldport's graduation was wonderful. Chairman Martin gave kudos to Taft and Newport High's ceremonies, which she attended. (Other board members were

unable to attend graduations this year and sent their regrets.)

Student Representative

NHS Parenting Teen Coordinator Cindy Blackwood introduced teen parent Geraldine Urieta-Angeles. Ms. Urieta-Angeles graduated from Newport High on June 6, 2015; she thanked Ms. Blackwood and all involved with the program for their support. She plans to pursue a career in criminal justice.

Insurance Carriers, Other Than Health

Agent of Record John Russell reported the PACE insurance trust continues to be a good option for the district. Though insurance premiums nationally are increasing 6 to 9%, PACE's suggested increase to LCSD is 3%.

For workers compensation insurance, Mr. Russell recommended SAIF. The district's experience rating is excellent. He recommended the District maintain PACE for property/liability coverage and SAIF for workers compensation.

Financial Reports

Business Manager Julie Baldwin reported the projected ending fund balance may be reduced by \$1.2 million due to repayment of local revenue collected by the district. The current projected ending fund balance is just below what was budgeted to begin the 2015-16 year.

Enrollment is holding steady at approximately 5,000 students. Interest rates remain unchanged.

Chairman Martin questioned an expenditure from Coos Bay School District. Ms. Baldwin explained this was part of the STEM Hub grant, for which the district serves as fiscal agent.

The Board Report is a summary from the latest meeting of the Lincoln County School District Board of Directors. For additional information, you may contact Laurie Urquhart, Secretary or Steve Boynton, Superintendent at 265-4403.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Steve Boynton presented a plaque in appreciation to Chairman Liz Martin for her service as Chairman of the Board this year.

Mr. Boynton congratulated Toledo Elementary teacher Janna Limbert, named Lincoln County Education Association (LCEA) teacher of the year.

The Superintendent thanked the Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA) for their donation of \$1,000 each year for scholarships, one \$250 award for each high school.

Mr. Boynton gave kudos to the Newport High band, who marched in the Portland Starlight parade, and placed third in their respective category.

He reported spring sports went well in the district, with softball teams from Taft and Newport advancing to the quarterfinals in state playoffs. In track, Newport's Rachel Vinjamuri won three state titles in the 4A state track meet, and NHS' Brendan Thurber-Blaser won the state title in the javelin toss.

Mr. Boynton reported the last day of school for this year is Friday, June 12th (half day).

Approval of the Consent Calendar

The Board approved Consent Calendar items including:

- Minutes, 4/28/15 Work Session;**
- Minutes, 5/12/15 Regular Session;**
- Regular Personnel Items and Addendum, including:**
 - Classified Hires:** Roxie Smallwood, YV;
 - Coach Hires:** Jonathan Allan, NHS; Lon French, Taft 7-12; Irma Jimenez, NHS; Katherine Neal, NHS;
 - Leave of Absence:** Cyndi Henry, 7/1/2015-6/30/16; Jolene Train, 7/1/2015-6/30/16;
 - Resignations:** Theresa Desaulniers, Toledo Jr./Sr.; Melissa Goschie, Taft Elem.; Jim Helman, D.O.; Cheryl Hull, Sam Case; Bonny Kessler, Taft 7-12; Dave Kline, NHS; Brenda Lemmon, Taft 7-12;
- Sodexo Contract, Food Services 2015/16;**
- 2015-16 Board Meeting Calendar.**

Approval of Resolution Adopting 15/16 Budget

The Board approved a resolution adopting the 2015/16 budget, as approved by the Budget Committee on May 19, 2015.

Business Manager Julie Baldwin reported the Budget Committee made some amendments to the proposed budget by increasing the general fund by \$500,000 for anticipated additional funding from the state. The Budget Committee also reduced the unappropriated ending fund balance by \$800,000 and increased instructional services. It is possible that the additional state funds allocated by the legislature may all be distributed in the second year of the biennium; the district wants the ability to spend reserves in the first year.

Approval of Insurance Carriers- Other than Health

The Board approved PACE for property, vehicles, liability, errors and omission insurance, and SAIF for workers compensation coverage for the coming year.

Resolution, Appropriations Transfer

The Board approved a resolution allowing for the transfer of appropriations.

Budget law requires that appropriation levels not be overspent in actuality. This year the General Fund incurred expenditures classified as 'facilities acquisition and construction services.' As bond funds were exhausted, there were projects to be completed using general fund resources. Proper classification of these expenditures should be in the Facilities, Acquisition and Construction Services functions.

The resolution lists the recommendation of the transfer of funds to properly account for these expenditures.

Mid Coast Christian School- Rent

This item was removed from the agenda as Mid Coast Christian School withdrew their request to lower the rent. After meeting with district staff, Mid Coast representatives felt the district was offering

them a fair price for rental of space at the Arcadia building.

Resolution Certifying Election Results

As required by state law, the Board approved a resolution certifying special district election results from the May 19, 2015 special districts election. Board members in Zone 1 (Karen Bondley) and Zone 2 (Liz Martin) were re-elected to four year terms. The Zone 5 representative (Amanda Remund) was elected to a two-year remainder term.

Information on Alternative Education Programs, 15/16

Director of Secondary Education Eric Clendenin reported the district employed the use of the online “Edmentum” this school year for alternative education students. Attendance appears to be up, as does earned credits.

While this system served the district well this year as an interim step, next year alternative education will be provided by Compass Learning. This choice will significantly increase the district’s online capability, and will provide both credit recovery and advanced learning options.

Each high school will continue to have an alternative education presence next year, along with a Distance Education instructor.

Accelerated Learning and Early College Program

Director of Secondary Education Eric Clendenin distributed a handout listing the dual credit/International Baccalaureate and advanced placement courses for each high school for the coming year. A total of 48 new courses will be articulated for college credit, and advanced placement courses have been added at Taft, Toledo and Waldport high schools. The list continues to grow, said Clendenin.

The district is in continuing negotiations with Oregon Coast Community College to finalize offerings through that institution for next year.

Organizational Resolution, 2015/16

Each year the designation of district officers, clerks, agents and depositories of funds is required to be updated and approved by the Board of Directors.

For the coming year, mileage reimbursement rates will increase to \$.575 per mile (from \$.56) to match the IRS rate. The meal reimbursement rate will remain unchanged.

There are Budget Committee vacancies in Zones 2 and 3. The resolution will return for the Board’s consideration at the July board meeting.

Policies- Section G

The Board met in a work session meeting on May 26, 2015 to discuss Policy Section G. The next scheduled policy work session is scheduled for September 29, 2015.



Have a great summer!!

Next Regular Session Meeting: Tuesday, July 14, 2015- 7:00 p.m. at Newport High School