

LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors- Special and Work Sessions
Tuesday, March 31, 2015– 5:45 p.m.
Newport High School- Boone Center
Newport, Oregon

Minutes (Corrected 4/12/16)

PRESIDING: Liz Martin, Chairman

Present: Liz Martin, Chairman, Karen Bondley, Vice Chairman; Ron Beck, Kelley Ellis, Amanda Remund, Directors

Also Present: Steve Boynton, Superintendent; Aaron Belloni, Student Services Administrator; Laurie Urquhart, Secretary; Diane Vance, *News Times*; Larry Coonrod, Lincoln County Dispatch

Call to Order- Establishment of a Quorum

Chairman Liz Martin convened the special session meeting and called the session to order at 5:51 p.m. with a quorum of three board members present. Director Ellis arrived shortly thereafter, and Director Bondley arrived at approximately 6:15 p.m.

Special Session- Funding Resolution

Superintendent Boynton explained that the state House had approved a K-12 biennium education budget the day of the board meeting of \$7.255 billion. The funding is proposed to be distributed equally in both years of the biennium. This would mean cuts in LCSD of approximately \$470,000 in year one, and \$1.7 million in year two. The Superintendent noted this amount of funding should be the worst case scenario.

Discussions in Salem are ongoing regarding keeping part of the “kicker” revenue, but it remains to be seen (even if that occurs) how much of it would be distributed to schools.

Director Beck commented it appears there are higher priorities with the state legislature than K-12 education. He asked about the proposed cuts in LCSD for the coming year.

Superintendent Boynton noted district administrators built the budget for 2015/16 based on a state biennium budget of \$7.5 billion. After that time, the state budget for K-12 schools was reduced to \$7.255 billion; reductions were made to district budgets for the coming year, trying to direct most reductions to the central structure.

He stated the budget is still not truly finalized, since the Oregon Department of Education still needs to finalize the amount of funding that will actually come to LCSD. For 2015/16 the

district may receive \$100 more per student in year one, and the same number in year two, which is a cut.

Mr. Boynton said he has turned his attention to SB 898, which is related to the OEIB grant. If this grant was reallocated to a school improvement fund, it could greatly help our district. This bill has had a hearing and will go on to the Ways and Means Committee.

Director Beck wondered if the legislature has funding set aside to alleviate the "sticker shock" of what this education budget will mean to districts around the state. Superintendent Boynton said his goal is to impact students as little as possible; he said reductions will be made in areas that could be backfilled later through the initiative process.

Approval of Resolution 2014/15-11

Motion 14/15-33

On motion of Director Beck, seconded by Director Ellis, the Board unanimously approved Resolution 2014/15-11 regarding school funding as presented 3/31/15.

The special session was adjourned at 6:03 p.m., and the work session convened at 6:04 p.m.

Work Session- Policies, Sections E and F, continued

Student Services Administrator Aaron Belloni reported he and Laurie Urquhart will be meeting the week of April 6th with OSBA representatives to review Section G. The Board started the review of Sections E and F on March 4, 2015; the discussion on March 31st continued with Policy EEACD. Board members referred to the summary document prepared by Mr. Belloni.

Board members agreed with staff recommendations on the summary document, with the following notations:

EEACD-AR, Operation and Maintenance of District Conforming Passenger Vans and Type A Mini Buses. This policy will be deleted, as the district does not own the bus fleet at this time. Superintendent Boynton noted proposed legislation that will make contracting out services more difficult. He noted that if the legislation is approved and in some future year many districts in the state are purchasing buses, the pool of money for schools will be substantially reduced. LCSD's initial expenditure would be approximately \$4 million.

EEACE, Loading and Unloading Zones. OSBA suggests the district delete the current version of this policy and adopt their version 2. Mr. Belloni noted the T-4 form (Student Transportation Request) is uniform throughout the district, but the systems used by schools is not. Staff is working on making the process uniform.

EEBA, Purchase and Replacement of District Transportation Vehicles. Delete.

EEBB, Use of Private Vehicles for District Business. New policy for LCSD; modified by district staff to fit LCSD's needs.

EFA, EFA-AR, Local Wellness Program. Still being developed; Curriculum Administrator Betsy Wilcox has provided input, as has District Nurse Julie Turner and Sodexo food services. Mr. Belloni noted the number of Physical Education hours for students will change in 2017/18, so the policy will have to be modified then. He will remove the employee wellness portion of the policy, as it will be covered elsewhere.

EFAA, EFAA-AR- District Nutrition and Food Services. Adopt; Sodexo will apprise as to whether requirements are being met.

EGAAA-AR, Use of Copyrighted Materials. Mr. Belloni noted the warning notices regarding use of copyrighted materials are not posted as widely as they should be. Principals are responsible for disseminating the information.

EIA, Extent of Insurance Coverage. Mr. Belloni sent this policy to insurance agent John Russell for his review; Mr. Russell corrected the limits which were shared with OSBA.

Section F- Facilities

FA, Facilities Development Goals. No change; adopt.

FB, Facilities Planning. OSBA recommended deleting our current version and adopting version 2. A change was suggested to change "Board" to "Superintendent or designee." Adopt.

FC, Capital Construction Program. No change; adopt.

FEA, Capital Improvement, Educational Program. No change; adopt.

FEF/FEFB, Construction Contracts, Bidding Awards. No change; adopt.

FEFA, Authority to Approve Contract Change. OSBA recommended deleting this policy; Director of Support Services Rich Belloni agreed. The board reached consensus to delete.

FF, Naming Facilities. No change; adopt.

FF-AR, Naming Facilities- No change; adopt.

FJ, Temporary District Facilities. Adopt with changes.

The board was scheduled to have their next policy review work session on April 28, 2015 but that date will now be used for the joint LCSD/OCCC boards meeting. The policy meeting is now scheduled for Thursday, May 28th.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Liz Martin
Chairman

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Superintendent