

LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors- Regular Session
Tuesday, January 9, 2018- 7:00 p.m.
Yaquina View Elementary School
Newport, Oregon

Minutes

PRESIDING: Ron Beck, Chairman

Present: Ron Beck, Chairman; Amanda Remund, Vice Chairman; Liz Martin, Karen Bondley, Jenny Demaris, Directors

Also Present: Tom Rinearson, Superintendent; Laurie Urquhart, Secretary

Handouts: Financial Reports as of December 31, 2017; Addendum- Measure 98 Update; Addendum- Busing Contract; High School Success (Measure 98); Renewing a Charter School Contract; Division 22 Assurances

Call to Order- Establishment of a Quorum

Chairman Beck convened the meeting and called the session to order at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum of all five board members present.

Public Hearing, Lincoln City Career Tech Charter School

The board recessed into a public hearing to hear comments about Lincoln City Career Tech School's request to renew their charter. Operations Administrator Vince Dye summarized the process for renewing charter contracts.

Joel Riverman, Education Supervisor at Career Tech, noted the school has achieved scores comparable to other district schools in science and math, and is doing well in English Language Arts. He said that CTE courses at the school become vocational training for their students.

No comments from the audience were generated; the board meeting was then reconvened.

Communications

Newport resident and LCSD Budget Committee member Tom Hurst reported the Lincoln County Cultural Coalition recently distributed six grants to four schools in LCSD (Newport Middle, Sam Case, Taft Elementary and Taft 7-12). The funds will be used for a variety of purposes, with most supporting music education in these schools.

Board Reports

Director Demaris reported the Toledo Jr./Sr. High boys basketball team participated in an exhibition game at the Moda Center recently, then stayed to watch a Trail Blazers game.

She noted that students at Eddyville Charter are participating in archery, P.E., and restorative justice. At Toledo Elementary, archery, swimming, and bowling are working well to involve students.

Director Liz Martin noted that parent seminars would be starting at Newport High the week of the board meeting and continuing once per week for four weeks. Topics include “If Only I Had Known,” Gradebook, attendance, a tour of the school, social media and mental wellness. She reported a “trivia night” fundraiser for NHS is planned for January 27.

Ms. Martin thanked all for the mementos the board received for Board member recognition month.

Director Bondley reported she and her granddaughter attended the Jack and the Beanstalk play at Taft 7-12, calling it a “great show.”

Vice Chair Amanda Remund reported the Alsea Bay Classic wrestling tournament was recently held at Waldport High. Thirty-one teams attended. Ms. Remund gave kudos to Food Services Director Patty Graves and crew for stepping up at the last minute for serve lunch to 260 students.

Ms. Remund reminded the board of the Waldport Booster auction, February 3rd.

Chairman Beck reported he had the pleasure of serving as the MC at the Newport High music program in December at the Performing Arts Center. He noted that band students created baskets to be auctioned off as fundraisers for the band program.

Student Representatives/West Area Report

Five second grade students in Ms. Napoleon’s class demonstrated how technology is being used to integrate learning at Yaquina View. They each stood next to a board member, using their Ipads to read a story to them.

Principal Kristin Becker thanked board members for their work, both as a parent and as an employee.

Compliance with Standards- Division 22

Each year by February 1, school district superintendents are required to ensure a report is given to the local school board regarding the district’s standing with respect to all Standards for Public Elementary and Secondary Schools as set forth in Oregon Administration Rules (OAR Chapter 581, Division 22).

Operations Administrator Vince Dye distributed a handout showing the standards, and reported the district is in compliance with all standards. (The list was reviewed by the respective responsible administrators to ensure compliance.)

Measure 98 Update- Added Item

Director of Secondary Education/Principal Jon Zagel and Early Childhood Coordinator Lauren Sigman updated the Board on activities surrounding “Measure 98,” a law established in 2016 to help prevent

student drop outs and to establish or expand Career Technical Education and college level educational opportunities.

LCSD will receive approximately \$1.4 million for the current biennium; district charter schools and the Juvenile Department Education Program will also receive funding from this source.

Areas of focus include an eighth grade/Freshman academy, an additional truancy officer, AVID in grades 8-12, expansion of early childhood education programs, online program provider, and expansion of college level opportunities (including International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, Career Technical Education, Dual Credit and the nursing program).

Financial Reports

Business Services Director Kim Cusick updated the board on financial reports as of December 31, 2017. She reported nothing unanticipated; the ending fund balance increased slightly, but fluctuates from month to month.

Purchases for the seismic work at Sam Case and Newport High were initially paid from the general fund, but were corrected in December to be charged to the seismic grant.

Interest rates have increased slightly.

Director Demaris said, as a fairly new board member, it would be easier to follow the financial reports if the pages were numbered and indicators placed on them to let board members know which topics will be mentioned.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Tom Rinearson recognized and thanked the five LCSD board members for their service. He commented that being a school board member "is one of the most amazing commitments that people make. The impact you have on young children is probably bigger than you realize; thank you." January is school board recognition month; the district gave each board member a basket, part of which included a blown glass paperweight with the school colors of the board member's respective zone. They also received a tote bag from the class of 2030.

Mr. Rinearson recognized Mary Koike's Environmental Systems & Societies classes at Newport High, who recently hosted a visit by State Representative David Gomberg. Students asked the Representative a series of questions about the "state of the state" and how it may affect their futures.

The Superintendent gave kudos to Oceanlake Kindergarten teacher Amanda Sajdak for obtaining her initial National Boards Certification. Ms. Sajdak joins 13 other LCSD teachers who recently renewed their National Board certification.

Superintendent Rinearson reported Farmers Insurance agent Charlotte Lehto donates \$100 to each north area school every month. The schools use the funds for a variety of purposes, including binders, rewards for students, markers, etc. Thank you Ms. Lehto!

He reported Crestview Heights would hold a student art auction on Thursday, January 18 beginning at 5:30 p.m. Funds generated there would be used to support the art program at the school.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

Motion 17/18-22

On motion of Director Demaris, seconded by Director Martin, the Board unanimously approved Consent Calendar items, as noted in the January 9, 2018 board folder:

- Minutes, December 12, 2017 Regular Session;**
- Regular Personnel Items;**
- Revised Organizational Resolution (change in Business Services Director to Kim Cusick).**

Superintendent Search Screening Committee

Motion 17/18-23

On motion of Director Remund, seconded by Director Bondley, the Board unanimously approved the Superintendent Search Screening Committee as presented 1/9/18. The committee is comprised of individuals representing all employee groups, the LCSD budget committee, and community members. This group typically meets together once to receive training and to begin the paper screening process. The board will conduct the actual interviews of superintendent candidates.

Intent to Renew, Lincoln City Career Tech

Motion 17/18-24

On motion of Director Bondley, seconded by Director Remund, the Board unanimously declared its intent to renew the charter with Community Services Consortium for the operation of Lincoln City Career Tech High School. This approval begins the process of contract negotiation between the two entities. The contract will return to the board for consideration once it is developed.

Policy KJAB, Public Art

Motion 17/18-25

On motion of Director Martin, seconded by Director Demaris, the board unanimously approved Policy KJAB, Public Art. This policy was developed to address public art created in the district and the varying scenarios associated with this.

Education Plan, Budget Development

Motion 17/18-26

On motion of Director Demaris, seconded by Director Martin, the Board unanimously approved an educational plan based on plans currently in place and that clear obstacles for students' achievement, that may include AVID and music, and that includes funds set aside to assist the new superintendent in building a comprehensive strategic plan.

Prior to the vote and in compliance with policy DB- District Budget, the board engaged in a lengthy discussion to develop an educational plan from which the 2018/19 budget will be developed. Director Martin noted it would be important to gather input from students; Mr. Rinearson responded that a comprehensive plan would include students' input. He also noted it would help the district to spend a year to 18 months developing the plan with all stakeholders.

Chairman Beck noted the importance of Career Technical Education and music. Director Demaris said gathering input from administrators is crucial. Superintendent Rinearson stated the board is responsible for every course; "You have the authority," added Rinearson.

Admission of Non-Resident Students, 2018/19

Superintendent Rinearson noted a state law enacted in 2011 allows districts to continue to enter into voluntary inter-district transfers with other districts, but also created a new transfer process that does not require the consent of the district in which the student lives.

Part of the law directs the Board to decide on the number of students they wish to admit under this process by March 1st each year. Mr. Rinearson recommended the board admit "zero" students under this process, but continue with inter-district transfers as it has for many years. This item will return for the board's consideration at the next meeting.

Policy DDC, Native American Education Program Grants

Operations Administrator Vince Dye presented a revised Policy DDC, Native American Education Program Grants- Title VI Indian Education. The changes more fully define what is to be included in the grant application. The policy will return for the board's consideration at the next regular session.

Policy EBBB, Injury/Illness Reports

Mr. Dye presented a revised Policy EBBB, Injury/Illness Reports. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) revised reporting rules which resulted in changes to this policy. It will return for the board's consideration at the next regular session.

Policy IGBC, Title IA/Parental and Family Involvement

Revisions are suggested to Policy IGBC, Title IA/Parental and Family Involvement. Changes were necessitated by the federal Every Child Succeeds Act (ESSA). The administrative rules now include an entire section regarding what the Title IA plan shall describe. The policy will return for the board's consideration at the next regular session.

Policy JEA, Compulsory Attendance

Operations Administrator Vince Dye and OSBA recommend changes to Policy JEA, Truancy/Compulsory School Attendance. The only change is the additional of an exemption for children who are emancipated minors, or who have initiated the procedure for emancipation. The board will consider the policy at the next meeting.

Busing Contract Information (Added Item)

Director of Support Services Rich Belloni reported the contract for transportation (busing) will end June 30, 2018. He suggested the district roll the contract forward for two years, to provide an opportunity for a new superintendent and other staff members to explore possibilities. This topic will return to the Board at a future meeting.

ESD Resolution, Local Service Plan

Each year, the Linn/Benton/Lincoln ESD presents a resolution to each of the twelve districts within their boundaries describing services to be provided the following year by the ESD and funded with “Resolution” dollars. The resolution is for one year (2018/19) and will return to the board for consideration at the next meeting.

Superintendent Search Update

Superintendent Rinearson reported the closing date for applications for the superintendent position is January 19. Two sessions are planned for the evening of January 23. The first portion of this meeting will be a training for the members of the screening committee; the next session that evening will be an executive session to begin review of the candidate applications.

Updates on the process will be provided as they are scheduled.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Chairman

Superintendent