

ADMINISTRATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT 47J
475 BRIDGE STREET
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

September 29, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: A Workshop of the Board of Directors of Administrative School District 47J, Columbia County, Oregon was convened at 6:05 p.m. by Jim Krahn.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Board present: Jim Krahn, Greg Kintz, Bill Langmaid, and Tim Bamburg. Camrin Eyrrick arrived at 6:09 p.m. Absent: Cari Levenseller.

BOARD PRESENT

Staff present: Ken Cox, Superintendent; and Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant.

STAFF PRESENT

Visitors present: None

VISITORS PRESENT

1.0 Superintendent / Board Communication:

Dr. Cox distributed the District's Section 504 Handbook to the Board. The District has redone the handbook after a complaint was filed with the Office of Civil Rights. The District is currently meeting all requirements.

SECTION 504
HANDBOOK SHARED
WITH BOARD

Dr. Cox also shared with the board that the district is currently in legal action regarding a former employee.

DISTRICT IN LEGAL
ACTION w/FORMER
EMPLOYEE

A copy of the recent Oregon Business Magazine containing the article on Vernonia and the rebuilding efforts of the school and community was given to each of the board members.

OREGON BUSINESS
MAGAZINE SHARED
WITH BOARD

2.0 District Goal: The current District goal is "Demonstrate Pride in our Schools and Community through Effective Communication and Higher Expectations." This goal lasts through 2012. The next goal could go through 2015 or longer – this would be up to the board. It is also possible to keep the current goal and add objectives.

DISTRICT GOAL
REVIEWED

Discussion was held to possibly add objectives under the goal such as:

- Increase volunteer hours – have special cords at graduation for students that exceed the requirement
- Higher expectations – test scores and other areas
- Increase communication – have more student work available. Publish Topper News and the High School's 411 in the community.

Camrin Eyrrick suggested adding something to our goal for our average and TAG students. There is plenty of focus on provisions to our special needs students. Dr. Cox mentioned his familiarity with the program *Destination Imagination*.

Jim Krahn stated his belief in the FFA Program and all the opportunities it offers students. He feels our area could be very successful with an FFA Program. He would be willing to arrange to have a State FFA Representative come and talk to the district. Tim Bamburg agreed and would like to see movement on this idea. Dr. Cox asked for Jim's state contact information.

2012-2017 DISTRICT
GOAL: DEMONSTRATE
PRIDE IN OUR SCHOOLS
AND COMMUNITY
THROUGH EFFECTIVE
COMMUNICATION AND
HIGHER EXPECTATIONS

After discussion the board was in consensus with keeping the existing District Goal for the next five years. Goal 2012-2017 *Demonstrate Pride in our Schools and Community through Effective Communication and Higher Expectation*.

The following objectives were agreed upon by consensus of the board:

Pride in our Schools and Community:

- Promote volunteerism among students and staff through community service opportunities.
- Foster a positive, safe and secure work and learning atmosphere for students and staff.
- Encourage a sense of ownership and pride in community use of our buildings.

Communication:

- Expand the sharing of school news and events with the community.
- Promote effective parent involvement in student learning and activities.
- Improve the level of parent / teacher interaction and communication.

High Expectations:

- Provide opportunities for life skills learning through enrichment opportunities and challenging activities for all students.
- Continual academic improvement for all students.
- Provide effective professional development for all staff.

3.0 Mission Statement Task Force Plan. Dr. Cox mentioned getting a task force together to develop a new mission statement. Our current one is *Discovering Endless Possibilities*. Jim Krahn and Camrin Eyrrick stated that they liked what we currently have and didn't feel a need to change. At this time no task force was established. MISSION STATEMENT
REVIEWED

4.0 MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:15 p.m. ADJOURNED

Submitted by Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant

Board Chair

District Clerk