

VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT 47J
1201 TEXAS AVENUE
VERNONIA OR 97064

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

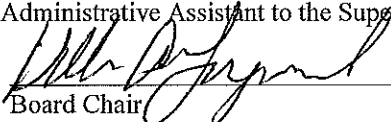
February 13, 2014


- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER:** A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Administrative School District 47J, Columbia County, Oregon was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Bill Langmaid. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
- Board Present:** Bill Langmaid, Ernie Smith, Brett Costley, and Tim Bamburg. Cari Levenseller arrived at 6:55 p.m. BOARD PRESENT
- Board Absent:** Greg Kintz and Jim Krahn. BOARD ABSENT
- Staff Present:** Ken Cox, Superintendent; Aaron Miller, Elementary Schools Principal; Dawn Plews, Business Manager; Marie Knight, Fiscal Assistant; Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant; Juliet Safier, VEA President; and Jan Dyer, Classified Staff. STAFF PRESENT
- Visitors Present:** Carol Cox, Scott Laird, Bridger Steward, Kinnell Steward, Amy Cieloha, Nicholas Costley VISITORS PRESENT
- 1.1** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 1.2** Agenda Review: The following items were added to the agenda. AGENDA REVIEW
- 5.3 Public Input into the Qualities and Qualifications of Superintendent.
- 5.4 Green Globe Certification
- 6.4 Accept Resignation of Superintendent
- 6.5 Adopt Draft Qualities & Qualifications List & Timeline for Supt. replacement
- 6.6 Authorize Superintendent to Approve Funding for Sports Fields Design
- 2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** Amy Cieloha asked if the District is going to respond to the recent attendance article in the Oregonian. Dr. Cox indicated that there will be no official response to the article. He noted that the district has adopted and implemented an attendance policy. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 3.0 CONSENT AGENDA:**
- 3.1** Minutes of 01-09-14 Regular Meeting and 01-29-14 Workshop. MINUTES APPROVED
- Ernie Smith moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Brett Costley seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance.
- 4.0 REPORTS & DISCUSSION**
- 4.1 Student Reports:** There were no student reports given. STUDENT REPORTS
- Student Recognition:** Bridger Steward, Troop 201, recently completed his Eagle Scout Project. Bridger and his group of 25 volunteers picked up trash, painted the goal posts, and completed the flow through project at Greenman Field Stadium. The flow through project was up to FEMA compliance allowing the District to keep the stadium structure. Dr. Cox presented a Certificate of Appreciate to Bridger on behalf of the District. STUDENT RECOGNIZED FOR EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT
- 4.2 Building Reports:** BUILDING REPORTS
- Nate Underwood handed out his report.
- Aaron Miller shared some recent attendance data and reviewed the new attendance policy. Initial phone calls home on attendance often leads to other issues and builds a partnership between teacher and parent. Data on approaches to learning, early math and early literacy were also shared with the board.

- 4.3 **Financial Report:** Dawn Plews reported. The State School Fund is already being discussed along with the general fund revenue and roll up costs. Adjustment for ADM remains flat. FINANCIAL REPORT
- 4.4 **Maintenance Report.** There was no report this month. Mark Brown will catch up next month. MAINTENANCE REPORT
- 5.0 **INFORMATION & DISCUSSION**
- 5.1 **HB 3681 Interdistrict Transfer Limits:** Each year by March 1st the board must set the student limits transferring under HB3681. Last year districts in Columbia County agreed on a limit of 5. Dr. Cox recommends adjusting to 10 for 2014-15. HB 3681 LIMITS
- 5.2 **Budget Calendar:** A draft budget calendar was shared. It is identical to last year according to Dawn Plews. BUDGET CALENDAR
- 5.3 **Superintendent Qualities & Qualifications Public Input:** As part of the process of hiring a new Superintendent the public needs to have the opportunity to provide input towards the qualities and qualifications of a Superintendent. Comments should be routed to Barb Carr at the District office by February 25, 2014. PUBLIC INPUT FOR QUALITIES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF A SUPERINTENDENT
- A timeline for replacing Dr. Cox was discussed. The position will be opened internally from 2/17/14 – 2/24/14. Deadline to submit a letter of interest 2/24/14. Screening and interviews between 2/25/14 – 3/7/14. Announcement at the 3/13/14 board meeting.
- Cari Levenseller arrived at 6:55 p.m.
- 5.4 **Globes Certification:** Green Globes certification is an alternative to LEED. The District is on track to obtain LEED certification and Green Globes would be a separate certification. The District's fundraising counsel feels additional donors may step forward with the Green Globes certification. The cost to the district to obtain the Green Globes certification is \$13,455. It was noted that there is a timber industry executive that has offered to help cover this cost. Any expenditure over \$10,000 requires board approval. GREEN GLOBES CERTIFICATION DISCUSSED
- 6.0 **ACTION ITEMS**
- 6.1 **Set HB 3681 Limits:** Ernie Smith moved to set the limits for HB 3681 for the 2014-15 school year at 15. Tim Bamburg seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance. HB 3681 LIMITS SET FOR 2014-15.
- 6.2 **Approve Budget Calendar:** Brett Costley moved to approve the Budget Calendar as presented. Cari Levenseller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance. 2014 BUDGET CALENDAR APPROVED
- 6.3 **Policy Updates:** Cari Levenseller moved to approve the policies listed as presented with the noted amendments. Motion seconded by Brett Costley. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance. POLICIES APPROVED
- 6.4 **Accept Resignation of Superintendent:** Cari Levenseller moved to accept the resignation of Superintendent Kenneth Cox effective June 30, 2014. Tim Bamburg seconded the motion. Bill Langmaid thanked Dr. Cox for his service to the district. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance. SUPERINTENDENT RESIGNATION ACCEPTED
- 6.5 **Adopt Qualities & Qualifications Draft and Approve Timeline for Superintendent Replacement:**
- Ernie Smith moved to adopt the qualities & qualifications draft and replacement timeline for the superintendent vacancy as discussed. Brett Costley seconded the motion. It was noted that the Qualities and Qualifications list will be amended after the 2/25/14 deadline for community to provide input. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance.

- 6.6 **Authorize Superintendent to Approve Funding for Sports Fields Design:** Tim Bamburg moved to authorize the Superintendent to negotiate a contract not to exceed \$12,600 to engineer and design all three sports fields at the new school site. Cari Levenseller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance. SUPT. AUTHORIZED TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACT FOR SPORTS FIELDS DESIGN
- 7.0 **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:** SUPERINTENDENT REPORT
- District Brochure – a sample was shared
 - COSA Conference – information shared
 - Community Town Hall - Feb 25th 7:00 pm in the Commons
 - Construction Projects List reviewed
- 8.0 **RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION** under O.R.S. 192.660 (2) (i) at 7:27 p.m. RECESSED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
- The board reviewed licensed staff contract renewals.
- 9.0 **RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION** at 7:48 p.m. RECONVENED TO REG. SESSION
- Tim Bamburg moved to adopt resolution 1314-02 as amended. Motion seconded by Cari Levenseller. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance. LICENSED CONTRACT RENEWALS APPROVED
- 8.0 **MEETING ADJOURNED** at 7:45 p.m. ADJOURNED

Submitted by Barb Carr,
Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and Board of Directors


Board Chair


District Clerk

