

VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT 47J
1201 TEXAS AVENUE
VERNONIA OR 97064

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 20, 2013

- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER:** A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of Vernonia School District 47J, Columbia County, Oregon was convened at 7:31 p.m. by Bill Langmaid. CALL TO ORDER
- Board Present:** Bill Langmaid, Cari Levenseller, Jim Krahn, Brett Costley, Ernie Smith and Greg Kintz. Tim Bamburg attended via phone. BOARD PRESENT
- Board Absent:** None BOARD ABSENT
- Staff Present:** Ken Cox, Superintendent; and Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant STAFF PRESENT
- Visitors Present:** Heidi Rice and Daniel Rice
- Ken Cox administered the Oath of Office to Ernie Smith, who was reelected in the May, 2013 election. OATH OF OFFICE
ADMINISTERED TO
SMITH
- 2.0 PARENT APPEAL – Athletic Coop.** Dr. Cox reviewed the steps leading to the appeal. Student Daniel Rice would like to play soccer for Banks High School. As Vernonia does not field a soccer team at the high school level the parents have requested Vernonia Coop with Banks allowing Daniel to play. Mrs. Rice spoke with both Mr. Jarman, district athletic director, and Mr. Underwood, High School Principal, who both denied the request. Mrs. Rice appealed the decision to Dr. Cox who upheld the decision of the administration and again denied the request. The next step would be for an appeal to be brought before the board. At this time there were no questions from the board. DR. COX REVIEWED
APPEAL
- Mrs. Rice stated the following PARENT TESTIMONY
- Her children have signed up for and supported 19 sporting seasons over the years.
 - Has supported the district often through volunteering
 - Her children have done well and have received good grades.
 - She does not feel this will harm the Vernonia athletic program
 - Daniel can't play at Banks without an OSAA Coop Agreement
- The board had the following statements: BOARD COMMENTS
- Bill Langmaid – concerned that our AD made his decision based on his best experience as did the Principal and Superintendent. He is not experienced in this area.
 - Ernie Smith asked for clarification when the Coop with Jewell a few years ago was denied. This was because by adding the Jewell ADM to ours it jeopardized Vernonia remaining as a 2A school. The combination would have bumped us to a higher classification, 3A. This scenario does not appear to be an issue for Banks School District. Ernie asked if the request has gone before the Banks School Board. According to Mrs. Rice, no. The conversation between the Banks A.D. and Mr. Jarman did not go well, therefore Banks wants a decision from our Board before proceeding.
 - Jim Krahn – regardless of which sport, if allowed, then it might possibly deteriorate our program. There was also concern that the Banks Coach violated OSAA recruiting rules. Jim feels it is important to support the administration. He might think differently if he could be guaranteed that this would only be for one student as he is not okay with opening the door.
 - Greg Kintz – not sure of his comments at this time. This is a hard decision.
 - Cari Levenseller – feels this might be a good trial year. If it doesn't go well the Coop does not need to be approved next year.
 - Tim Bamburg – agreed with Cari.

Ken Cox stated that Mr. Jarman feels this is a detriment to our athletic program. Dr. Cox recommends approving the Coop and the board taking action to limit the number of students to just one and let Mr. Jarman know that this would be a pilot program. Limiting the number to one student is a Board Decision and would not be an OSAA issue. Dr. Cox will share with Bnaks the limit of one student.

SUPERINTENDENT
RECOMMENDS
APPROVAL OF COOP

Cari Levenseller moved to enter into a Coop sponsorship with Banks School District for Boys Soccer for this year only. Greg Kintz seconded the motion.

COOP WITH BANKS FOR
2013 BOYS SOCCER
APPROVED

Brett Costley asked if Banks was able to Coop with more schools than Vernonia.

Yes votes: Cari Levenseller, Greg Kintz, Brett Costley, Bill Langmaid, and Tim Bamburg. No votes: Ernie Smith and Jim Krahn. Motion passes.

Jim Krahn moved to limit participation with the Coop Agreement with Banks School District for the 2013 boys' soccer program to Daniel Rice. Ernie Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

COOP FOR SOCCER
LIMITED TO DANIEL
RICE

Other Issues: Bill Langmaid indicated that he instructed Sherrie Ford, with the SHaW Clinic, that her reports can come quarterly now to the Board. She will report in November, February, April and July.

SHaW CLINIC REPORTS
WILL BE QUARTERLY

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:13 p.m.

ADJOURNED

Submitted by Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant

Board Chair

District Clerk