

VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT 47J
1201 TEXAS AVENUE
VERNONIA OR 97064

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 13, 2013

- 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 6:03 p.m. by Bill Langmaid. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
- Board Present:** Bill Langmaid, Greg Kintz, Ernie Smith, Brett Costley, Jim Krahm. Cari Levenseller arrived at 6:44 p.m. BOARD PRESENT
- Board Absent:** Tim Bamburg BOARD ABSENT
- Staff Present:** Ken Cox, Superintendent; Nate Underwood, Middle/High School Principal; Aaron Miller, Elementary Schools Principal; Dawn Plews, Business Manager; and Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant. STAFF PRESENT
- Visitors Present:** Scott Laird VISITORS PRESENT
- 1.1** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 1.2** Agenda Review: There were no changes to the agenda. AGENDA REVIEW
- 2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** None. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 3.0 CONSENT AGENDA:**
- 3.1** Minutes of 10/10/13 Regular Meeting and Workshop. MINUTES APPROVED
- Ernie Smith moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Jim Krahm seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance.
- 4.0 REPORTS & DISCUSSION**
- 4.1 Student Reports:** There were no students in attendance. STUDENT REPORTS
- 4.2 Building Reports:** Mr. Underwood and Mr. Miller had nothing to add to their written reports. BUILDING REPORTS
- Discussion was held on the state standards requirements and whether or not our district teaches to the state tests for the purpose of achieving optimum test scores. The district must teach the skills that will help students to be successful and master the requirements. Building report cards were reviewed. REPORT CARDS SHARED & DISCUSSED
- It was noted that open house numbers were down and conference numbers have not yet been tallied. OPEN HOUSE NUMBERS DOWN
- A revised professional development schedule was distributed. REVISED PROF. DEV. CALENDAR SHARED
- 4.3 Financial Report:** Dawn Plews reported that the ending fund balance has increased slightly. An in-depth review of June 2014 triple payroll has been done. Projected and budgeted enrollment is 16 students more than current numbers. FINANCIAL REPORT
- 4.4 Maintenance Report.** A written report was provided. There was no discussion or questions. MAINTENANCE REPORT
- 4.5 Grant Update Report:** Aaron Miller updated the board on the status of current grants. GRANT UPDATE REPORT
- The Collaboration Grant received \$15K more than budgeted. Deadline to expend the \$69K is Sept. 30, 2014.
 - The district has applied for a \$250K Career Technical Education (CTE) grant to be

used for the two current CTE programs (shop and digital arts), create partnerships with Stub Stewart State Park, the Upper Nehalem Watershed Council, the District Maintenance Department, and help to expand our Forestry and Engineering programs to become CTE programs.

5.0 INFORMATION & DISCUSSION

5.1 Title I Parent Involvement Policy Review: The annual parent meeting has been held and parents have reviewed the policy. A copy of the policy was not available for board review and will need to be approved by the board at a future meeting. TITLE I PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY DISCUSSED

5.2 Policy Update: Policy IICC - Volunteers was updated to reflect the new Criminal History Conviction Matrix. Discussion was held on wording. POLICY UPDATE – 1st READING

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5.3 Report Card Review: Discussion was held during the building reports section of the meeting. Dr. Cox recapped that the district is concerned about scores and adjustments to how we teach to improve scores is under review. Our purpose is to improve student learning. REPORT CARDS REVIEWED

6.0 ACTION ITEMS: There were no action items during this meeting.

7.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: Dr. Cox's written report was shared with the board. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Other Issues: Discussion was held regarding the cancelled October workshop. Consensus of board was to wait for the January workshop and not reschedule. It was requested to discuss the current district process for applying for grants. OTHER ISSUES.

As a member of the OSBA Board, Greg Kintz has a lot of information that could help answer questions the board may have. Send questions to him via email.

8.0 MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:03p.m. ADJOURNED

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


Board Chair


District Clerk