

ROSEBURG PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Time & Location:

The February 10, 2016, Regular School Board Meeting took place in the Administrative Office Board Room at 6:00 p.m.



SUPERINTENDENT:

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Washburn announced that Board Chair Cotton and Director Garcia were both excused this evening. We will therefore postpone Part 2 of the November survey—staff responses—until the full board is present.

Mr. Washburn reported that a software update on the telephone system was not successful, and technicians will continue efforts to restore the system to an acceptable operating level.

The superintendent continues to post videos on the district web page each Monday, keeping our staff and community informed. He has received positive

Next Board Meeting:

February 24, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Fullerton IV. Elementary School Library

feedback from community and staff members. Mr. Washburn reviewed both enrollment and attendance, and numbers appear to be stabilizing. Chronic attendance (students missing more than 10% of school days) remains too high at 29.89%, but is less than last year (35.06%) seeming to indicate that efforts at our schools are having an impact.

Douglas County Public Health personnel were complimentary of how the District staff responded to an apparent virus outbreak at Hucrest School last Friday. Mr. Washburn extended his appreciation to site operators and custodial staff members and subs who worked last weekend to deep clean the facility, including Christy Spencer, Teresa Creamer, Randy Martin, John Poore and sub, Bob Birdsell.

We are awaiting an MOU from the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians before work can continue on the RHS mascot.

Student Recognition: Certificates of Accomplishment and McDonald's gift cards were presented to the following deserving students:

- Levi Nicklin, a Hucrest 5th Grade Student was honored as a gifted thinker with a bright future ahead of him.
Avery Aasen, a 5th Grade Melrose student, was honored for exemplifying all that is good with public education.

Special Staff Recognition: Melrose Elementary Site Operator, Grant Patitz, was awarded the Crystal Apple Award in recognition of his outstanding work ethic (and near perfect attendance record!). Melrose staff unanimously nominated Grant, acknowledging his efforts in maintaining the Melrose facility and grounds. Grant's positive attitude extends to Melrose students, who love spending time with this exemplary Site Operator.

Action Items: The School Board approved the Consent Agenda that consisted of minutes from the January 27th Regular Board Meeting. A resignation for the purpose of retirement effective June 10, 2016, was accepted from RHS TAP Room Teacher, Stephanie Neyhart following 26 years in the District. A resignation was also accepted from Hucrest Elementary Teacher, Jana Gore, following nine years in the District.

In adopting Resolution 15-16-13, the Board approved the Douglas ESD 2016-17 Local Service Plan.

Revised Policy GCDA/GDDA: Criminal Records Checks, was approved for Second Reading and Adoption. Policy INDB: Flag Displays and Salutes, was approved for First Reading.

The Board approved the 2014-2015 Audited Financial Statements as prepared by the auditing firm of Kosmatka, Donnelly, and Piels Company.

RHS Student Leadership Report: Student leadership representatives Lyle "Cooper" Lee, Sydney Holborow and Samantha "Sam" Vath updated the audience on sports, including current basketball, swimming and wrestling results. Spring sport sign ups for track, la crosse, baseball, softball and tennis are coming up.

Leadership students are spending time in the DLC classroom each Friday engaging special needs students in playing games, and all the students are enjoying spending time together.

An Arts Assembly is planned for February 26th.

The "Gatsby" themed Prom event will be held May 21st in Douglas Hall at the Douglas County Fairgrounds.

The theater performances of Disney's The Little Mermaid will be held February 25-27.

Twelve contestants, including students involved in athletics, band and drama will vie for the title of "Mr. RHS" on April 1st.

The recent CTE grant has resulted in purchases of new equipment that includes 3D printers. Plans are moving forward for a greenhouse.

- School Board:
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Charles Lee, Vice Chair
Daniel Endicott
Joseph Garcia
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