

ROSEBURG PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Time & Location:

The October 28, 2015, School Board Regular Meeting took place in the Eastwood Elementary Library at 6:00 p.m.



SUPERINTENDENT:

GERRY C. WASHBURN

Superintendent's Report:

Gerry Washburn continues to visit all of our schools on a scheduled rotation.

He met with former Superintendent, Larry Parsons, to discuss mascot and foundation activities and will meet with Lee Paterson to get historical perspective and his experience in the District. He will brief with Scott Folk of Roseburg Forest Products to discuss possible partnerships and meet with Javier Gorigolzarri to discuss the timber industry.

Next Board Meeting:

November 18, 2015
6:00 p.m.
Administrative Office

Gerry and DD Bixby are working on a Superintendent's Q & A Club to allow staff and public opportunity to ask questions in an open forum with plans to organize a similar parent forum.

He attended the first half of the Girls' State Soccer Play-in game that was a win of 6:1, and went from there to the Fremont Band Concert which included a new jazz ensemble.

Gerry continues to meet with the Ford Foundation to develop a solid plan for funding the expansion of pre-k programs and after school activities.

November 4th, he will attend a Leadership for Learning Project, to focus on principals being instructional leaders.

Most responses to the article Gerry released on marijuana have been positive. He will meet with Sam Moore, PBIS/Prevention Specialist to develop a plan for soliciting staff and community input on discipline policies, educational and counseling supports and drug policies.

Gerry will meet with Michael Rondeau, CEO of the Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Indians to explore the possibility of expanding our partnership with the tribe and the school district.

Thurman Bell coaches his final football game this Friday and Mr. Washburn offered a public thank you

for his 45 years of service to our youth, adding that the process and timeline for replacing him will be announced November 6th.

Gerry will work with principals to arrange meetings with parent organizations and booster clubs to develop a foundation to raise funds to benefit students.

A District Group will tour Pre-k programs at Gladstone and David-Douglas.

Student Recognition:

An Outstanding Student Award and McDonald's gift card was presented to Joseph Lane Middle School student Alema Norris. Director Meyer shared a letter from Principal Bill Bartlett celebrating her dedication to work hard, passion for writing short stories, leadership in class and concerted work ethic.

Director Endicott presented Roseburg High School student Dora Totoian's award, sharing how she was unanimously chosen because of her academic scholarship, involvement in clubs and activities, values, and her strong work ethic that has earned her a perfect 4.0 gpa, in the most rigorous courses.

Director Johnson presented the Crystal Apple Award to Roseburg Public Schools, Purchasing Office Manager, Lorrie Watson for her extraordinary skills and abilities, depth of knowledge, helpful, patient and friendly mannerisms and all around consummate professionalism.

Action Items: The School Board took action to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of minutes from the October 14th Regular Board Meeting.

The Board approved Resolution 15-16-11 designating the week of November 16-20, 2015 as American Education Week; Policy BD/BDA: Board Meetings/Regular Board Meetings approved for Second Reading and Adoption; Policy JHCDA: Prescription Medication was approved for Second Reading and Adoption.

Discussion Topics:

After the board heard a presentation from Charlene Stutes, Family Development Center Director on a possible Lease of the Green Church Building, the Board responded favorably giving consent to Cheryl Northam to work with Charlene to finalize a lease agreement.

Principal, Nicki Opp, thanked the Board for conducting their meeting at Eastwood. She expressed the collective desire of staff to empower students to lead productive, fulfilling lives and be positive contributors in their communities and followed up with a slide show of events that showcased their students and Eastwood Elementary.

- School Board:
Rod Cotton, Chair
Charles Lee, Vice Chair
Daniel Endicott
Joseph Garcia
Rev. Howard Johnson
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Steve Patterson