

ROSEBURG PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Regular Board Meeting

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February 11, 2015

BOARD MEMBERS:

Rodney Cotton	X
Daniel Endicott	X
Joseph Garcia	Exc
Charles F Lee	X
Paul E Meyer	X
Steve Patterson	X
Stacy Stiefel	X

ADMINISTRATION:

Dr. Larry C Parsons, Superintendent	X
David W Hanson, Asst. Superintendent/HR	X
Matthew Brausam, Director, Student Services	X
Dawne Huckaby, Dir., Teaching & Learning	X
Cheryl Northam, Chief Operations Officer	X
RHS Student Representative – Garrett Wedge	X

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

TIME/PLACE: A Regular meeting of the Douglas County School District No. 4 Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Office Board Room located at 1419 NW Valley View Drive.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Rod Cotton called the regular board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed all attendees. He asked Director Patterson to lead us in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ATTENDANCE: Attendees included Board Chair, Rod Cotton, Vice-Chair Charles Lee, Directors Daniel Endicott, Paul Meyer, Steve Patterson and Stacy Stiefel. Director Joseph Garcia was excused. Reporter, Kyle Bailey, was in attendance.

REVIEW OF AGENDA: Superintendent Parsons noted that one of our students scheduled to be recognized this evening had an illness in the family, and has been rescheduled to a future board meeting.

STUDENT RECOGNITION: There were two students being recognized this evening for their accomplishments. Each student received a congratulatory letter from their school principal as well as a gift certificate from McDonalds.

Director Endicott presented Fifth Grade Winchester Elementary School student, Nathaniel Gross, with his congratulatory letter and McDonald's gift certificate, acknowledging that he has remained a Winchester student since kindergarten. Nathaniel was selected for Student of the Month due to his role as leader of his peers, love of academics, sports and community service. He is a class representative to Student Council and is a helper in the kindergarten class. His interests in sports include basketball, soccer, swimming and Tae Kwon Do. Nathaniel shared that he enjoys difficult math problems, reading and board and video games.

Director Endicott also presented a letter and certificate to Fifth Grade Melrose Elementary School student, Braxton Tabor. Melrose teachers celebrated Braxton for his hard work and exemplary attitude. Braxton is a peer tutor and excellent role model. Teachers acknowledge that he is a deep thinker, demonstrating diligence and self motivation. Braxton hopes to transform his love of mathematics into a career as a chiropractor. He

enjoys nearly all sports and teachers appreciate his efforts to push himself to the next level. Principal Plummer shared that Braxton helped to revise his own Student of the Month letter.

Director Endicott noted that both of these students are extremely well rounded in their social skills, academics and sports.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD: Superintendent Parsons had no announcements this evening.

CONSENT AGENDA: The Consent Agenda consisted of minutes from the January 28, 2015, Regular Board Meeting.

Director Lee motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Director Patterson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

M7-75 Approved Consent Agenda

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: There was none at this time. Chair Cotton noted that there would be another opportunity at the end of the meeting.

POLICY GCA: LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR SECOND READING AND ADOPTION: Assistant Superintendent/HR, David Hanson, reminded the board that this proposed revised policy was approved for first reading at the board meeting on January 14th.

Director Lee motioned to approve Policy GCA: License Requirements for Second Reading and Adoption. Director Patterson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

M7-76 Approved Policy GCA: License Requirements for Second Reading and Adoption

POLICY LBE: PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS FOR FIRST READING: Teaching and Learning Director, Dawne Huckaby, Presented Policy LBE: Charter Schools, noting that this is an updated version of our Charter School policy that is aligned with current statutes and district practices. Staff recommendation is that charter school students not be permitted to participate in district curricular programs. Our district does not provide instructional materials, lesson plans or curriculum guides for use in a public charter school, and charter students may not be dual enrolled.

Motion was made by Director Lee to approve and adopt Policy LBE: Charter Schools for First Reading. Director Endicott seconded the motion.

Discussion: Director Lee clarified that charter school students could participate in activities such as football. Dawne Huckaby explained that this policy language pertains specifically to anything occurring within the regular school day. Mr. Lee pointed out that charter schools receive funding to provide an education for those students enrolled in their program. He shared that he would be more comfortable with wording reflecting that the district would not be obligated to provide services, leaving room to partner with these entities. Chair Cotton noted that students attending other districts don't participate in activities during the regular school day in our

district. Students who are home schooled may enroll in a single class if there is space available and the district does receive ADM for the class time.

Hearing no request to change the original motion, Director Lee voted No and all others voted Yes. Motion passed by majority, five votes to one. Ms. Huckaby asked for clarification that the board wished to adopt on First Reading, and that was confirmed.

M7-77 Approve Policy LBE: Public Charter Schools for First Reading <u>and</u> Adoption
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SUPERINTENDENT SCREENING COMMITTEE: Board Chair Cotton reported that the board has selected 16 individuals to participate on the superintendent screening committee. He shared that a lot of thought went into the selection process. He was surprised that not all schools had individuals express an interest, but the board was purposeful in making sure that those that did were represented on the committee. The committee is comprised of three community members, three teachers, three classified staff, four administrators, one confidential staff member, current presidents from the classified and licensed union groups and all seven board members.

Chair Cotton shared his belief that the board did a good job putting the committee together. Director Endicott noted that the committee members were all education related. A printed list of the selected committee members was made available for interested audience members.

RESOLUTION 14-15-17: CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION WEEK: Assistant Superintendent/HR, David Hanson, presented Resolution 14-15-17 Designating the week of March 2-6, 2015 as Classified Employee Appreciation Week. Chair Cotton thanked the classified employees, stating that they are a very important part of our organization, working very hard along with our teachers and administrators. These staff members show great compassion for our students.

Director Patterson made a motion to Adopt Resolution 14-15-17: Classified Employee Appreciation Week. Director Endicott seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

M7-78 Adopted Resolution 14-15-17 Designating the week of March 2-6, 2015 as Classified Employee Appreciation Week
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RHS STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Garrett Wedge reported that home room lessons continue to focus on the RHS PRIDE matrix. Leadership students and staff are preparing videos, lessons and activities to engage all students, make them feel welcome and get them excited about learning. The March 11th Lip Dub event is nearly ready and teachers went through rehearsal today. With winter sports winding down, there are senior sports nights coming up soon where senior student athletes will be honored. Wrestling is tonight and district competition will be held at Grants Pass on February 20-21st. The Swim team competes this Friday and Saturday. Athletes who qualify for State competition would be travelling to Mt. Hood. Sign-ups are starting for spring sports with Orange cards to be submitted by February 25th.

Celebration of Literacy events continue this week. The Battle of the Books competition will take place on February 28th. The book fair will conclude at the end of February. Entries for an upcoming Bookmark Contest need to be submitted no later than March 4, 2015. The Sadie Hawkins Dance has been cancelled due to low ticket sales. The theme for the February 27th Arts Assembly is "Back to the Future". There is a booster club meeting scheduled for March 11th.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Parsons shared a 2014-15 Student Enrollment Report, noting that 570,857 Oregon students enrolled in K-12 public schools last fall. Of the 197 districts, 58% saw enrollment increase, 41% saw enrollment decrease, and 1% saw no change. Larry shared that judges are still needed for the Hucrest Elementary Science Night on April 2nd. Denny Austin, Purchasing Supervisor, has coordinated with neighboring districts in purchasing automated external defibrillators (AED's) for all schools. Partnering with others allowed us to realize cost savings. RHS has had these machines on campus for some time now as an added safety precaution. The equipment is automated and training for staff will be provided. Schools are now required to have at least one external defibrillator on campus. There is a new club in the community, the "Eastwood Clowns". The group has been performing at our elementary schools. Larry is hopeful that they will agree to attend a future board meeting.

ENROLLMENT REPORT: The board reviewed the January 31, 2015, student enrollment report. Student enrollment is down by 90 students. This will have a corresponding effect on funding for the current year as well as next year. The superintendent's office is sending exit surveys to parents who have withdrawn their student.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The board reviewed the January 2015, finance report.

INDIVIDUAL REPORTS BY DIRECTORS: Director Patterson reported that the RHS band held an annual Bingo Night, raising approximately \$4,000. He explained that fundraising efforts are targeted for the replacement of band uniforms and the annual trip to Anaheim where the band performs at Disneyland. Students participating in fundraising may set aside funds in individual accounts for the trip. Scholarships are available for families without adequate resources for this extra expense. The band was also able to purchase a Piccolo and Sousaphone last year, which is a very expensive instrument. Another fundraising event at Loggers Pizza is scheduled for tomorrow evening, and the Jazz Band will be performing.

Assistant Superintendent/HR, David Hanson, shared that emails have been sent to board members regarding potential dates in March for the RHS Principal interviews. Directors were encouraged to communicate dates they might be available to facilitate scheduling. The position closes February 16, 2015. Directors Patterson, Stiefel and Garcia are on the interview team.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee: Director Stiefel elected to postpone his report of the January 30th Finance Committee Meeting to the February 25th board meeting.

Building and Sites: Chair Cotton shared that we had planned for PACE insurance representatives to attend this evening to discuss a weapons policy. That discussion has been moved to the March 11th board meeting.

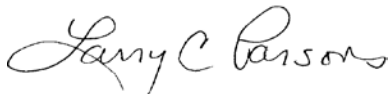
Our next board meeting will include a work session. Scott Rose of the DLR Group will present an update to the full board. The Building and Sites Committee met yesterday and the attendees reviewed preliminary conceptual drawings and discussed ballpark budget figures for various options for the RHS gymnasium building. The ideas presented were very interesting and Mr. Rose will bring updated information based on that committee discussion to the work session.

Chair Cotton noted that modifications to the gymnasium roof are scheduled to begin this summer. Cranes to be used during construction will be located on the track. The track was already in need of resurfacing and we will have further discussion regarding the unplanned expense associated with this potential repair project at the work session.

RHS Athletic Director, Russ Bolin, has been in contact with the RHS turf vendor. The company's owner assessed the turf and was impressed with the current condition of the material and how well it has been maintained. The representative believes that we have up to four years of useful life remaining for the field. We may need to consider using money that has been set aside for turf replacement to meet a more urgent need. Dr. Parsons noted that not having done the track update last year may turn out to be a positive outcome with this turn of events. The bleachers are scheduled for removal the day following 2015 graduation.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Mr. Owen Dykema, 3264 West Normandy, Roseburg, Oregon, announced that a week from tomorrow Sutherlin High School is hosting a "Living History Day" honoring our veterans. This event went very well at Roseburg High School, and Sutherlin has scheduled a similar event. Mr. Dykema expressed that this is a worthwhile experience for our local students. Board members shared that sentiment.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business before the board, Chair Cotton adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.



Superintendent

Next Meeting: February 25, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administrative Office Board Room. Work Session will begin at 5:15 p.m.