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BOARD MEMBERS:		ADMINISTRATION:	
Rodney Cotton	Χ	Dr. Larry C Parsons, Superintendent	Χ
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Joseph Garcia	Χ	Matthew Brausam, Director, Student Services	Χ
Charles F Lee	Χ	Dawne Huckaby, Director, Teaching & Learning	Χ
Paul E Meyer	Exc	Cheryl Northam, Chief Operations Officer	Χ
Steve Patterson	Exc		
Stacy Stiefel	Χ	RHS Student Representative – Garrett Wedge	Χ

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, April 8, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the administrative office board room at 1419 NW Valley View Drive, Roseburg, Oregon.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Cotton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., asking Director Garcia to lead in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ATTENDANCE: Directors Meyer and Patterson were both excused. Director Stiefel arrived at 7:10 p.m.

REVIEW OF AGENDA: Director Garcia requested a small change in the minutes of March 11 in that he had excused himself from the meeting prior to the Executive Session. Assistant Superintendent/HR David Hanson reported the addition of personnel recommendations to be included in the Consent Agenda.

STUDENT RECOGNITION:

Certificates of Accomplishment and McDonald's gift cards were given to four deserving students of the month. Director Endicott presented a certificate to Fir Grove Fifth Grade Student Savaun Deng, noting that she was also the winner of the Master Chef Competition recently for her healthy smoothie entry. Teachers report that Savaun is very dependable and is a good friend to others. She is also acknowledged for her artistic abilities, and she hopes to become a chef.

Director Lee celebrated Fullerton IV Fifth Grade Student Abby Hooten for being an example to those around her and making a sincere effort in all that she does. Abby is Vice President of her class, affecting positive change for all of us. Teachers report that Abby is thoughtful, steady, reliable and dependable. She is respectful and demonstrates a kind spirit. Math is Abby's favorite subject, but she loves school and always learning something new. Her love for animals has led to her aspiration of becoming a marine biologist.

Director Garcia presented a certificate to Sunnyslope Fifth Grade Student Adrianna Sapp, whose teachers shared that she always does the right thing. She has integrity, is conscientious and dedicated. Adrianna spends time working at the local animal shelter and adopted a dog. Teachers note that she perseveres, constantly striving to do her best and is a shining example of what a good student should be.

Director Endicott was pleased to present a certificate to RHS Senior, Cody Early, in honor of his academic determination, strong work ethic and values. Cody's teachers note that he is kind, compassionate and respectful. Cody enjoys a 3.92 GPA while taking rigorous AP and college credit courses. He participates in football, soccer and basketball. He is a strong member of the NHS as well as a member of the Huntsville space travel group and the Interact Club. Cody is known for being a true gentleman, respectful beyond his years and plans to pursue a career in medicine.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD:

Superintendent Parsons shared that we have received notification of intent to resign from RHS Developmental Learning Teacher, Robert Shuey, after five years with the district. Mr. Shuey will work through the end of the 2014-15 school year. After 17 years with the district, Fir Grove Fourth Grade Teacher, Patricia Filosi intends to resign at the end of the school year for the purpose of retirement. Sixth Grade Math/Science Teacher at Fremont Middle School, Susan Swift, also intends to resign at the completion of this school year for the purpose of retirement.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Assistant Superintendent/HR David Hanson announced that staff has recommended the hiring of Mr. Richard Burton as the new Director of Student Services effective July 1, 2015, following the retirement of Matthew Brausam.

Other employment recommendations that were approved included Kimberly Beedle, Fremont Science; Scott Boyer, RHS Science; Jennifer Brown, Fir Grove Kindergarten; Jennifer Carpenter, Fir Grove 5th Grade; Mary Griffith, Fullerton IV 2nd Grade; Robin Huselton, Fullerton IV Kindergarten; Angelee Kenyon, Fullerton IV 3rd Grade; Harmony Klingenmeyer, Sunnyslope and Fir Grove Music; Kristi Kuhse, Green 2nd Grade; Tamarah Michalek, Beginning Teacher Mentor; Megan Pirtle, Winchester 4th Grade; Anna Polamalu, Green Kindergarten; Richard Robles, RHS Math; Kevin Wicks, RHS Technology; Kyla Walley, Fremont Learning Resource Center, and Mandy Young, Winchester 5th Grade Teacher.

Mr. Hanson made the correction that Mary Griffith is not replacing K. Kellom, but rather is an addition due to class size. Chair Cotton clarified that this position would be in the budget.

Director Endicott motioned to approve the consent agenda as amended. Director Garcia seconded and motion passed unanimously.

M7-101 Approve the Consent Agenda

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: There were no audience members wishing to address the board this evening.

There was a brief intermission from 7:21 – 7:24 p.m. to allow families of the students being recognized to depart for the evening.

RESOLUTION 14-15-19: National Teacher Appreciation Week: Superintendent Parsons read Resolution 14-15-19 proclaiming the week of May 4-8, 2015, as National Teacher Appreciation Week.

Director Endicott motioned to approve Resolution 14-15-19 declaring May 4-8, 2015 as National Teacher Appreciation Week. Director Garcia seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

M7-102 Approved the week of May 4-8, 2015 as National Teacher Appreciation Week

AWARD RFP: 15-618: HIGH SPEED NETWORK DATA CONNECTIVITY: Chief Operations Officer Cheryl Northam shared the results of RFP 15-618 for High –Speed Network Connectivity. Three vendors responded with two submitting proposals. Staff recommendation is to approve the one year contract to the low responsive/responsible bidder, Douglas Fast Net (DFN). DFN is our current provider.

Director Endicott made a motion to award the High Speed Network Data Connectivity bid to Douglas Fast Net (DFN). Director Garcia seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

M7-103 Awarded High Speed Network Data Connectivity bid to Douglas Fast Net (DFN)

POLICY EFAA: DISTRICT NUTRITION AND FOOD SERVICES FOR FIRST READING: Cheryl Northam also introduced revised Policy EFAA: District Nutrition and Food Services for First Reading, explaining that the revisions include both recommended and required changes from OSBA changing language from USDA food entitlement rather than commodity.

Director Endicott made a motion to both approve and adopt Policy EFAA. Director Garcia seconded and the motion to approve/adopt passed unanimously.

M7-104 Approved Policy EFAA: District Nutrition and Food Services for First Reading and Adoption

POLICY JHCD: NONPRESCRIPTION MEDICATION – SECOND READING/ADOPTION: Superintendent Parsons presented Policy JHCD: Nonprescription Medication for Second Reading and Adoption. Director Garcia had previously questioned federal/state law around marijuana. Dr. Parsons has spoken with OSBA Peggy Holstedt and shared an email stating that schools are bound by federal law. Students or staff who have medical marijuana may not have the drug on school property as districts are bound by federal law. David Hanson further explained that any employee with the medical marijuana card cannot be on campus under the influence. Considerable discussion ensued regarding how it is determined that a person is impaired.

Director Endicott made a motion to approve Policy JHCD: Nonprescription Medication for Second Reading. Director Lee seconded. Motion Failed.

M7-105 Policy JHCD: Nonprescription
Medication - MOTION FAILED

POLICY JHCDA: PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION – SECOND READING/ADOPTION: Superintendent Parsons presented Policy JHCDA: Prescription Medication for Second Reading and Adoption, noting that this is a required policy for districts. Director Stiefel commented that he liked the age appropriate guidelines.

Director Endicott made a motion to approve for Second Reading and Adopt Policy JHCDA: Prescription Medication. Director Lee seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

M7-106 Approved and Adopted Policy JHCDA: Prescription Medication

RHS STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Roseburg High School Student Representative Garrett Wedge reported that the third quarter ended last week. RHS counselors are busy coordinating the transition of current district eighth grade students to the high school with pre-registration activities. The much-anticipated Lip Dub event is expected to be performed on April 22nd. RHS hosts the district choir contest on April 15th. The RHS Wind Ensemble won First Place at the League Competition in Medford, making them the 6A Oregon School Activities Association Champions for Southern Oregon. They will next compete at the OSAA Band Championships on May 16th at Oregon State University. The RHS Band travelled to California, with several stops planned including a recording at Disney Studios. The Jazz Band will be performing at the Pleasant Hill Jazz Tour next Friday and Saturday. The annual Prom event will be held on April 25th at the Pyrenees Vineyard. National honor society induction was held on April 6th. Garrett was happy to report that microwaves have been added to the cafeteria for student use.

RHS PRIDE Night is scheduled for April 14th. The event will showcase the talents of students in Fine and Performing Arts, Career and Technical, other RHS clubs and co-curricular activities. Students from RHS FBLA and FCCLA clubs are competing in state competitions. The Skills USA competition and conference is scheduled April 17th in Albany. Leadership students are preparing the meet the high school principal candidates. Spring sports are now underway, with the Twilight Track Meet this Saturday.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Dr. Parsons shared the disappointing news that the Oregon House and Senate voted to approve school funding at the \$7.255 billion level, causing school budgeting concerns. Southern Oregon districts will continue to advocate for adequate funding for Oregon K-12 education. Oregon State Representative John Davis has reported that ten years ago, Oregon funded K-12 education at nearly 45% of the budget. Today we are just above 39%, while available revenues increased 70% (over \$7.5 billion) and taxes were increased multiple times. Our district budget committee meetings begin next week to review the 2015-16 budget.

Several of our RHS wrestlers travelled on their own to nationals. Layne VanAnrooy, Haydn Maley and Cole VanAnrooy placed at the National Championship meet in Virginia Beach, VA., with Haydn placing fourth and Cole placing seventh. Layne won the national championship at 152 pounds. The wrestling program continues to soar.

Dr. Parsons and the Board wish to congratulate the RHS Girls Basketball team for winning the Sportsmanship Award at the OSAA tournament. Former RHS students Eric Thompson and Tim Weber (Jill Weber's son) were selected to the Capital One Academic All-District 4 team and played in the NABC-NAIA Men's Basketball All-Star Game in Kansas City.

Roseburg student spelling bee champions include Rachel Bober (Fremont); Jillian Pimentel (Jo Lane); Jocelyn Muntifering (Eastwood); Savaun Deng (Fir Grove); Anderson Harris (Fullerton IV); Sean Musquiz (Green); Amy Latham (Hucrest); Emma Bain (Melrose); Triston Rutan (Sunnyslope) and Carter Dryden (Winchester).

Dr. Parsons asked Denny Austin to share photos of RHS custodian, Serge Queant, who is a gifted chef. Serge created an ice sculpture in front of students for the Young Chef's competition. Serge joined Assistant Principal Larry Rich in judging the contest of healthy snacks. Serge also formerly trained chimps for the European space authority. Principal Goirigolzarri shared that Serge is a top chef, having served meals to presidents. His craft in making the RHS campus beautiful is commendable. The students were thrilled to watch him create the remarkable ice sculpture, and it was truly inspiring to view this different kind of artwork. Communications Specialist DD Bixby has been posting these events on our district Face Book page.

Dr. Parsons also shared that the former Douglas Community Hospital site will be the new home for the local Oregon Department of Human Services. Programs including Child Welfare, Aging and People with Disabilities and the Self-Sufficiency Program will be at the new location.

Former Roseburg Indians Eric Thompson and Tim Weber play for the Southern Oregon men's basketball team, and will be capping their senior seasons with appearances at the second annual NABC-NAIA Men's Basketball All-Star Game in Kansas City where their team received the Sportsmanship Award. Eric's mother, Jill Weber, shared that Tim was able to graduate in three years with a bachelor's degree after leaving RHS with 52 college credits. He is spending his fourth year pursuing a master's degree with plans of becoming an elementary teacher. Both of these students were awarded Academic All Americans. Larry noted that it is exciting to hear our RHS graduates moving on in the university and work world.

ENROLLMENT REPORT: The board reviewed the March 31st student enrollment report.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Chief Operations Officer, Cheryl Northam, presented the most recent district financial report.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS: Director Endicott commented on the executive search process for our superintendent, the high school and Office of Student Services. He gave kudos to the RHS Band and took many photos on the recent trip. His son is now including Sonoma State University on his college "wish list". Band members will be helping at the local food bank

in San Francisco as part of their many activities. He is looking forward to the revamped "Artlandia" event next Tuesday at RHS (now known as PRIDE Night). He was saddened by all the weather related softball game cancellations. He expressed optimism that the media will continue reporting on how technology affects our students. Mr. Endicott also wishes to see the outtakes from the first Lip Dub session. He gave kudos to the teachers and tech staff for preparing for the smarter balanced testing. He is also looking forward to the Twilight Meet and upcoming Budget Committee meetings.

Director Garcia also shared that he can't wait for budgeting. He explained that Public Safety and DHS will be looking to the state for additional funding for services provided to families in need. There are an overwhelming number of kids removed from their homes and the associated costs are enormous. Mr. Garcia noted the recent article in the Oregonian referencing the changing of the guard in the Roseburg football organization.

The directors discussed upcoming budget considerations including highly qualified teachers and our ability to recruit qualified staff. Cheryl reminded the board that we are required to submit a balanced budget document to the Budget Committee. The legislature has changed the funding formula from 49/51 to 50/50. Director Lee expressed his disappointment in the legislature for no substantive talk about school funding.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business before the board, Chair Cotton adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Superintendent

Lany Clarson