

R O S E B U R G P U B L I C S C H O O L S

**Time & Location:**

The August 28, 2019 School Board Meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. in the Administrative Office Board Room, located at 1419 NW Valley View Drive in Roseburg, Oregon



**SUPERINTENDENT:**  
**JARED P. CORDON**

**Superintendent's Report:**

Superintendent Cordon thanked the Board for participating in the critical discussion regarding our facilities and being prepared to share their viewpoints and suggested pathways forward. There is an upcoming Board Work Session scheduled for next Wednesday, September 4th at 3:00 p.m. with OSBA Board Development Specialist, Renee Sessler. The Curriculum and Instruction Committee will meet at 2:00 p.m. that same afternoon to hear about elementary math adoption and timelines.

**Next Board Meeting:**

September 4, 2019 - 3:00 p.m.  
Board Work Session  
  
Next Regular Meeting:  
September 11, 2019  
6:00 p.m.  
Board Room—1419 NW  
Valley View Drive, Roseburg

**Action Items:**

The Board approved the Consent Agenda that consisted of Minutes from the August 14th regular Board Meeting and August 16th Special Meeting, and hiring recommendations that included:

- Holly Farrimond, a Second Grade Teacher at Fir Grove Elementary;
- Stephanie Finlayson, a Music Teacher at both Melrose and Winchester Elementary Schools; and
- Juli Gettys, a Mathematics Teacher at Joseph Lane Middle School.

The following resignation was also acknowledged:

- Nicole Kaye, RTI Program Specialist, after five years in the District.

**Budget Committee Member Reappointment:**

Chairman Garcia welcomed and introduced long-time Budget Committee Member and former School Board Member, Mr. Keith Cubic. The Board unanimously reappointed Mr. Cubic for another term on the District's Budget Committee. Mr. Cubic confirmed that he had served on the Board of Directors for 18 years, and reflected that he is a life-long supporter of our

schools as well as a community volunteer.

**Long-Range Planning and Bond Consideration**

Board members came prepared after having reviewed district historical tax rate data, neighboring district experiences with bond measures, and the 2019 Facilities Master Plan and Conditions Summary completed by Cooperative Strategies. The Board utilized their Focus Framework process in sharing their individual perspectives on potential pathways to maximize the educational spaces within Roseburg Public Schools. The Board did reach consensus to place a bond measure on the May 2020 ballot.

This is only the first step in determining a pathway forward and much more discussion and community outreach is planned to help determine precisely what potential repairs, remodeling, rebuilding or other options would be the most cost effective in maximizing each facility's effective life span while considering the future educational needs of children to be provided in safe and secure environments.

The majority of our schools were originally constructed between 1909 and 1979, averaging in the 1950's, with the exception of the renovations completed at

the high school, which did not include the RHS Heritage Building.

Maintenance staff have done an excellent job maintaining facilities, but the building assessment findings concluded that these older buildings will need rebuilding or replacing within the next 10-30 years.

Board members pointed out that over time, not only the student population has changed, but also the delivery of instruction and technology utilized in providing that instruction has evolved drastically since most school buildings were constructed.

District administration was directed to move forward with actions necessary to pursue a bond in May of 2020.

**Building and Sites Committee Report**

Committee Chair, Howard Johnson, summarized the August 21st meeting, sharing that both Eastwood and Green Elementary Schools are pursuing fundraising and grants to create or improve track facilities to enhance outside activities for students at those sites.

**School Board:**

- Joseph Garcia, Chair
- Steve Patterson, Vice Chair
- Rod Cotton
- Micki Hall
- Rev. Howard Johnson
- Rebecca Larson
- Charles Lee