

ROSEBURG PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Time & Location:

The January 27, 2021 School Board Meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. in the RHS Rose Theatre, 400 W Harvard Blvd. in Roseburg, Oregon accompanied by live streaming.



SUPERINTENDENT:

JARED P. CORDON

School Board Appreciation Month — January 2021

Superintendent Cordon expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to work with a Board that understands what leadership is, and consistently focuses on things that matter most. This community values the critical volunteer work each Board member does. Jared thanked the Board for dedicating their time to helping our kids and staff move forward.

Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent shared that a vaccine clinic has been scheduled at the Fairgrounds on Saturday, with an Event-

Next Board Meeting:

(in person)

February 10, 2021

6:00 p.m.

Location to be Determined

bright signup initiated this afternoon. He is working with State representatives to advocate for a supply of vaccines commensurate with other counties. The Superintendent is looking forward to sharing his annual "Reflections" with the Board in preparation for his upcoming evaluation, along with establishing the 2021-22 Superintendent/Board Goals.

Superintendent Cordon also thanked RHS for opening this building for the Board Meeting, and the District OPS Team and Technology Coordinator Matt Hill for making this possible.

Action Items

The School Board approved the Consent Agenda consisting of Minutes from the January 13th School Board Meeting, Gifts to the District and a Surplus Items Listing, along with these personnel actions:

Licensed Staff:

- Bridget Batsch, a Fifth Grade Teacher at Fir Grove Elementary, a temporary position for the 2020-2021 school year. Bridget retired from the District in 2018 after 32 years.
- Chris Backen, a Fourth Grade .5 time Teaching and Learning Support Specialist at Fir Grove Elementary, a temporary position for the 2020-2021 school year. Christine retired in 2020 after 34 years.
- Carolyn "Jean" Christensen, a Fifth Grade CDL position for the Dept. of Teaching and Learning, a temporary position for the 2020-2021 school year. Jean retired in 2013 after 22 years in the District.

- Yuka Matsuzoe-Latham, a 4th Grade CDL Teacher for the Teaching and Learning Dept. This is a temporary position for 2020-2021.

Resignation: Peter Lindstrom, Science Teacher at RHS for 17 years, has expressed his wishes to resign from the District effective January 25, 2021.

RPS Purchasing Manager, Denny Austin, summarized the timeline and resulting actions pertaining to RFP 20-694 Fremont Middle School Seismic Upgrade CM/GC. The Board took action to award a contract for CM/GC to the high scoring responsive and responsible proposer, S+B James, and directed the District to publish a Notice of Intent to Award pursuant to the RFP.

Update on Board and Superintendent Goals

RHS/Rose Transition

RHS Principal Jill Weber and Rose Principal Randal Olsen shared their combined vision for integrating Rose students into RHS, focusing on the increased opportunities these students will be invited to access. Randal assured the group of the focused outreach to all families of Rose students to alleviate anxiety regarding the transition.

Graduation Rates

Principal Weber was very pleased to announce that in 2020, Roseburg High School's graduation rate reached 86.1%, the highest ever. Jill encouraged our community, schools, families and kids to be very proud of this accomplishment. The high school staff collaborates with

the middle schools to identify students needing additional supports even before their entry into RHS. The high school team focuses on connections and supports to ensure every child finishes their four years at RHS with a plan for their next steps in life. Superintendent Cordon emphasized that this is not something that RHS can shoulder alone, but is instead a Pre-K—Grade 12 combined responsibility.

RPS Virtual School

Asst. Superintendent Michelle Knee outlined the proposal for a K-5 virtual school utilizing a standalone learning platform and RPS teachers. At secondary we will utilize the Apex program and teachers. Beginning in the 2022-23 school year, we will plan to transition to RPS teachers for Grades 6-12.

Reopening Update

Jared shared that K-5 was welcomed back this week, with 6-12 beginning in-person/hybrid on Monday. We appreciate the School Board staying the course as we followed the metrics.

RHS Mascot Process

The Superintendent led the Board through a process regarding discussions of our RHS mascot. A Phase One committee plans to update the Board at the February 10th School Board Meeting.

School Board:

- Rebecca Larson, Chair
- Steve Patterson, Vice Chair
- Dr. Brandon Bishop
- Rod Cotton
- Micki Hall
- Rev. Howard Johnson
- Charles Lee