

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

Time & Location:

The September 8, 2021 Board Meeting was held via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room located at 1419 NW Valley View Dr. in Roseburg, Oregon



**SUPERINTENDENT
JARED P. CORDON**

Superintendent's Report

Supt. Cordon reported back-to-school celebrations including students back in their classrooms, enrollment is up, and our staff members are rock stars! Successful fall opening strategies included:

- Focus on maintaining student, staff & community health;
- Prioritize student learning and student connection;
- Provide parent choice in learning models;
- Follow the health and safety mandates that will keep our schools open to full-time, in-person instruction; and
- Center kindness around mask and vaccination concerns.

Jared expressed appreciation to the Board for following protocols that allowed our students to return to full time in-person learning, to our wonderful & supportive community, and to our dedicated staff members.

Next Board Meeting:

(Board Work Session)
September 22, 2021
via Zoom at 6:00 p.m.
Administrative Board Room
1419 NW Valley View Dr.
Roseburg, Oregon

Action Items

The School Board approved the Consent Agenda, consisting of approval of the Agenda, Minutes from the August 25 School Board Meeting and Work Session, Gifts to the District, Surplus Items List, and the following personnel actions listed below:

Administrative Recommendation:

Office of Student Services —

- ◆ David “Keith” Kronser, Administrative Coordinator, PERS working retiree, a Temporary position for the 2021-2022 school year

Licensed Recommendation —

- ◆ Camille Smicker, Drama Teacher at Roseburg High School

Licensed Staff Resignation —

- Angela Chenoweth, Agricultural Science Teacher at RHS after three years in the district, to take a position in another district.

Agreement with Roseburg Chapter of Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA)

Classified Bargaining Chair, Charles Lee, explained that the proposed contract attempted to address economic challenges including the minimum wage, which impacted some of our hourly wage staff, and the agreement was accomplished without a lot of bad feelings that can sometimes happen during the process of collective bargaining. This agreement is effective July 1, 2021 and continues through June 30, 2024. Legal expertise was provided by Nancy Hungerford of the Hungerford Law Firm. The school district appreciates our board committee members who participated in and contributed to these negotiations, including Directors Charles Lee (Chair), Dr. Brandon Bishop and Rev. Howard Johnson.

Resolution 21-22-11 Attendance Awareness

The District’s commitment to reducing chronic absenteeism was confirmed with approval of Resolution 21-22-11 declaring the month of September as Attendance Awareness Month.

Approval of Dust Abatement System for RHS Woodshop - made possible by the High School Success Grant—Measure 98

Chief Operations Officer, Cheryl Northam, and Project Manager, Mike Jardine, presented the proposal to utilize Measure 98 funds for this needed upgrade of the dust abatement system in the RHS woodshop that has been in operation for approximately 50 years.

The High School Success Grant was initiated by ballot Measure 98 in 2016 with the goal of improving student progress toward graduation beginning with grade 9, increasing the graduation rates of high schools, and improving high school graduates’ readiness for college and career. The grant’s eligibility requirements ensure schools and districts put systems into place designed to look at what data they collect and begin the process of improving data literacy. Funding is provided to establish or expand programs in three specific areas:

- Drop out prevention
- Career and Technical Education, and
- College-level opportunities

This project has been in the planning stages for some time and while numerous vendors expressed interest during the state-wide advertisement, only one bid was received for the specialized work required for the project. The projected cost exclusive of electrical, plumbing, demolition and a concrete pad is estimated to be \$433,000. Mr. Jardine is currently working with the successful bidder, Umpqua Sheet Metal to hopefully identify modifications

for any potential cost savings. Chair Larson pointed out that this is the type of project that was intended for Measure 98 grant funds. The district is very fortunate and grateful to be able to make this needed equipment upgrade to enhance the career technical experience and safety for students. Chair Larson was also pleased that the successful bidder was a local business.

Student Leadership Report

RHS leadership student, Marin Gray, shared that freshman and sophomore students were treated to two days of Link Crew activities in an effort to provide as many opportunities to rebuild what was lost socially and emotionally over the last year. Targeted Advisory Lessons will focus on grade level needs, and those advisors will remain with students over all four years of their high school experience. Seniors are invited to attend Senior Sunrise this Saturday at 6:00 a.m., and will look forward to Senior Sunset next year as their high school journey nears completion! Student athletes are competing in sports including football, volleyball, soccer and cross country events. Marin noted that students are very happy to be back on campus and able to again participate in the many available opportunities.

Enrollment: 9/7/2021 2021 2020

Elementary	2654	2416
Middle School	1293	1317
High School	1733	1563
Phoenix	192	184
Total	5902	5480

School Board:

- Rebecca Larson, Chair
- Rev. Howard Johnson, V Chair
- Dr. Brandon Bishop
- Rodney Cotton
- Ann Krimetz
- Charles Lee
- Andrew Shirtcliff