

Time & Location:

The January 12, 2022 School Board Meeting was held via Zoom at 6:00 p.m.



**SUPERINTENDENT
JARED P. CORDON**

Superintendent's Report

Jared added his voice to others as we celebrate Board Recognition during January. Superintendent Cordon also shared that priority one at RPS continues to be the safety of kids, staff and community. The second is to keep our kids in school, in person, full time. If we need to shift from in-person to remote it would be a last resort if we don't have enough staff to operate. He continues to be amazed and grateful for the amazing things staff are doing to bless the lives of students and families. *"We've Got This!"*

Vice Chair Howard Johnson had the honor of introducing students being honored tonight, sharing their numerous accomplishments:

**Cadence Ellenwood, Jo Lane MS
Jazlynn Landeros, RHS
Conner Thomas, Green School**

A staff member was also honored:

**Kathy Lomica, of Eastwood
Elementary School is being
honored with the Crystal Apple
Award.**

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Next Board Meeting:

January 26, 2022
via Zoom at 6:00 p.m.
Administrative Board Room
1419 NW Valley View Dr.
Roseburg, Oregon

**School Board
Recognition Month**

With the assistance of District Communications Coordinator, Chelsea Duncan, Roseburg Mayor Larry Rich shared a Proclamation declaring the month of January as School Board Recognition Month. Noting that RPS is respected throughout the state for its quality education experience, the Mayor celebrated the numerous ways these volunteers impact the lives of students and the staff members who support them. Thank you all for your essential service to this community!

Action Items

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, consisting of approval of the Agenda, Minutes of the December 15th Board Meeting, Surplus Items, Gifts to the District and personnel actions listed below:

Recommendations for Hire:

- ◆ Cynthia Dinardi, Fourth Grade Teacher at Sunnyslope;
- ◆ Jennifer Myers, a Home Instruction Teacher for the Dept. of Student Services, a temporary position for the 2021-22 school year; and
- ◆ Joni Sherman, a School Psychologist for the Dept. of Student Services.

Licensed Resignation

- ◆ Brenda Cunningham, RHS Math Teacher, is resigning for PERS retirement purposes after 30 years, and will continue working this school year. Congratulations!

**Oregon School Capital
Improvement Matching
Program (OSCIM) Update**

Cheryl Northam, Director of Finance and Operations, shared that RPS has qualified for a matching grant of approximately \$5.8 million dependent upon the passage of the upcoming bond levy.

**Reflect on Bond Committee and
Community Input**

Jared thanked the Bond Committee and community members who worked hard in developing a list of potential projects for the Board to

consider in a 2022 bond measure. Jared shared some renditions of projects other school boards and communities have undertaken, reflecting improvements that can be made possible through bonds and matching state funding.

**Bond Consultant-Polling
Recommendation**

Jeremy Wright of Wright Public Affairs explained upcoming polling to gauge support for both district/community priorities, along with ballot language in preparation for the Board's consideration on January 26th.

**2022-2023 School Year
Calendar Adoption**

The Board adopted a 2022-23 school calendar reflecting an August 29, 2022 start date, June 3 graduation date, and classes wrapping up June 8th.

2022 Budget Calendar

The Board also adopted the 2022 Budget Calendar as we prepare for the 2022-23 budget process. This calendar meets all Oregon timelines and publication requirements.

Student Investment (SIA)

Assistant Superintendent Michelle Knee shared 2022 SIA program updates outlining the strategies used to meet students' mental/ behavioral health needs; increase academic achievement; and reduce academic disparities. Strategies include:

- * Create a culture of safety and respect for students and adults;
- * Ensure instructional materials and tasks are appropriately challenging and supportive; aligned with content area standards and are culturally and academically relevant;
- * Establish systems and interventions to identify and remove barriers to graduation; and
- * Ensure educators and families have tools to support academic success for every student.

All investments within the \$4,284,185 grant must align within strategic areas of class size, well-rounded education, instructional time, and health and safety.

Updated Board Policies

The Board approved all updated Board policies within Sections A and B for First Reading.

Student Leadership Report:

RHS leadership students Chelsea Miller and Marin Gray shared updates of current happenings at RHS. Leadership is focusing on creating inclusive, new, fun and exciting activities. Plans are in the works for the upcoming ARTS appreciation, exploring options other than student assemblies as we focus on safety. Students are engaging in acts of kindness, using a "positivtree" to share positive notes. Similar activities are inclusive of the middle schools by encouraging students to hold doors, share unique compliments and express appreciation. Chelsea and Marin are excited for the culmination of their efforts over four years to create Rain Art that becomes visible only when it rains. Students are preparing for finals and getting excited for second semester. Marin shared that Bob Ross Fridays are back! She recapped the most recent sports competitions conducted with new spectator guidelines to keep all our athletes, students and community safe.

**HAPPY SCHOOL BOARD
RECOGNITION MONTH!**

Enrollment:

	2021	2020
Elementary	2,588	2,439
Middle School	1,241	1,313
High School	1,608	1,545
Phoenix	182	206
Total	5,619	5503

School Board:

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