

Time & Location:

The February 9, 2022 School Board Meeting was held via Zoom at 6:00 p.m.



**SUPERINTENDENT
JARED P. CORDON**

Superintendent's Report

Jared extended sincere appreciation to the staff and the Board, thankful that because of our staff, students have been able to continue with in-person instruction. He pledged to keep the Board updated as the district continues to respond to guidance from ODE and the Oregon Health Authority, potentially resulting in fewer restrictions in schools happening in late March. Superintendent Cordon shared a favorite quote from Margaret Wheatley, "There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about."

Chair Rebecca Larson had the pleasure of introducing students being honored tonight, and sharing their numerous accomplishments:

**Kamryn Pangelina, Hucrest
Sligh Gallino, Fremont MS
and**

Hannah Heuberger, RHS

Crystal Apple Awards:

**Eric Fullerton—Melrose School
Mayumi Taylor—Melrose School
Taryn Stribling—Fremont MS
& Sara Young—Fremont MS**

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Next Board Meeting:

February 23, 2022
via Zoom at 6:00 p.m.
Administrative Board Room
1419 NW Valley View Dr.
Roseburg, Oregon

Action Items

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, consisting of approval of the Agenda, Minutes of the January 12th Board Meeting, January 26th Public Hearing/Work Session Minutes, Gifts to the District and personnel actions listed below:

Recommendation for Hire:

- ◆ Judith Davis, School Psychologist for the Dept. of Student Services.

Licensed Resignation

- ◆ Conor Nehl, Social Studies Teacher, resigning effective June 10, 2022 after two years in the district.

Request for Leave of Absence:

- ◆ Brian Culty, Social Studies Teacher at RHS, requested a leave of absence for the 2022-23 school year.

**Resolution 21-22-14:
Measure Election for
General Obligation Bonds
in May 2022**

The RPS Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve a resolution calling a measure election for general obligation bonds and related matters in May 2022. Board members reflected that the \$154M measure is the result of months of work and hours of preparation to target health and safety updates, repairs to aging schools and expanded student learning opportunities. Chair Larson shared that with so many good things happening educationally in our schools, it's time to help our buildings reflect that. Board members spoke eloquently in support of a bond, with Director Shirtcliff summing it up by noting that, "Everybody, regardless of what side of any issue you're on, can all agree that our kids need to have better schools".

**2022-2023 Douglas ESD
Local Service Plan**

The Board also adopted the 2022-2023 Douglas Education Service District's proposed Local Service

Plan. Incoming Douglas ESD Superintendent, Analicia Nicholson, presented an overview of the Plan prior to adoption.

**Resolution 21-22-15:
Classified Employee
Appreciation Week**

Resolution 21-22-15 is to recognize and honor our classified employees throughout the week of March 7-11, 2022.

Chair Larson noted that these staff members work extremely hard to keep facilities looking their best; ensure the offices run efficiently; assist teachers in optimizing learning in the classroom, keep children safe on our playgrounds; maintain our technology platforms and devices for staff and students, and provide hundreds of meals throughout the pandemic to student families. Chair Larson encouraged everyone to join in celebrating our unsung heroes, adding that our schools cannot operate without them!

**Installation of Walk-In
Coolers for the District's
Nutrition Services Dept.**

Director of Finance and Operations, Cheryl Northam, asked for approval of five walk-in coolers to be installed at Eastwood and Fullerton IV Elementary Schools, Fremont and Jo Lane Middle Schools, and the central office campus. The units to be replaced are water damaged and range in age from 2006, the 1980's and older. The Board approved the purchase that is expected to be \$312,355 funded from the Nutrition Services Fund, which is limited solely for the benefit of the district's Food Service Program.

**2022-2023 School Year
Calendar Revision**

Human Resources Director, Robert Freeman, shared minor revisions to the previously adopted 2022-23 school year

calendar to clarify holidays in the month of December and student conference days in April and November. The Board approved the revised calendar for 2022-23.

Student Leadership Report:

RHS leadership student Olivia Kobernik shared all the recent athletic competition results, including basketball, wrestling and swimming. Olivia noted that National Counseling Week is coming up, and students are getting ready for the spring play, *Sense and Sensibility*. Clubs are busy, including FFA and robotics. Course selections are underway, and academic feathers are being distributed.

Leadership students continue to work with middle school leadership representatives, in activities such as "Kindness Week". Students are helping prepare for the annual Arts Week, the popular Mother-Daughter Tea and 2022 prom.

Director Ann Krimetz was pleased to share her appreciation for the acknowledgements each board member received from Leadership students during January's School Board Recognition Month.

Enrollment:

	2022	2021
Elementary	2,620	2,432
Middle School	1,240	1,312
High School	1,598	1,555
Phoenix	179	210
Total	5,637	5,509

School Board:

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