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PLEASANT HILL SD #1
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES - REVISED
Monday, December 6, 2021; 7:00 p.m.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair John Oldham called the December 6, 2021 Board Meeting to order at 6:59 p.m. Board Members present were Vice Chair Stephen Hammond, Wylda Cafferata, Rusty Rexius, and Drew Gottfried. Others present were Superintendent Scott Linenberger, Business Manager Sheri Longobardo, Elementary School Principal Devery Stoneberg, SPED Director Whitney Connolly, High School Principal Randy Fisher, and Board Secretary Courtney Wilson.

Wylda Cafferata read the Mission Statement.

2.0 ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Wylda Cafferata requested to add as agenda item 6.103, recognizing Oregon's New Kid Governor, Emerie Martin

3.0 INTRODUCTIONS & ATTENDANCE AT PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING

Kay Lynn Thomas, Title I Reading teacher and parent; Jessica Wolpe, 4th/5th grade teacher and parent, Maggie Willardson, Student of the Month; Julie Willardson, mother of Maggie Willardson.

There were seven online viewers at the previous board meeting

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 Approve November 15, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes (Exhibit 2122.114)

Wylda Cafferata requested to correct/clarify the last paragraph of Agenda Item 2.0. The minutes originally read "The board may opt to table the report for a future meeting or accept the report as presented." The record will now read "The board accepted the report as presented."

The November 15, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes were approved by consensus as amended.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 District Purchases (Exhibit 2122.115)

PHSD received one bid to upgrade HVAC systems in the metal shop classroom, woodshop classroom, art room, and classrooms S21, 22, and 23. The bid came from Hydro Temp. The funding for this project will come from the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER).

Per Policy DJ-AR, the board must approve any district purchases exceeding \$150,000. This project is estimated at \$339,500.

Rusty Rexius moved to approve Consent Agenda 5.1, District Purchases. Drew Gottfried Seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6.0 REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Presentations

6.101 Student of the Month

Principal Fisher introduced Maggie Willardson as Student of the Month for November. Ms. Willardson worked with the Tech Team, assisting Technology Director Steve Traylor and other students catalogue district technology inventory. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Gardening club, and Dungeons & Dragons club.

The board presented Ms. Willardson with a personalized certificate and congratulated her on her success.

6.102 Most Improved Student of the Month

November's Most Improved Student of the Month is Trevor Hart. Principal Fisher shared that Mr. Hart has been working very hard on his academics during the first quarter of the school year.

The board congratulated Mr. Hart, who was not present at the meeting.

6.103 Oregon's New Kid Governor

PHES fifth grader, Emerie Martin, was elected Oregon's 2022 Kid Governor. Her campaign focused on fixing the animal abuse issue in Oregon. She will be inaugurated at the Oregon State Capitol in January, 2022.

Oregon's Secretary of State, Shemia Fagan, was unable to attend the presentation planned at PHES due to transportation issues. Filling in for the Secretary of State was her assistant, and Oregon Secretary of State Civic and Election Education Director, Nikki Fisher, as well as the Oregon Secretary of State's Media Coordinator, Carla Axtman.

At 10:30 a.m., a live announcement streamed statewide was made to congratulate Emerie Martin. PHES held a special fifth grade assembly for the presentation.

Ms. Martin's campaign video can be viewed online at https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLw6ka-S3_M1kqwj25rwZiy5if97nDN_vj.

Wylda Cafferata read a letter from the board acknowledging Ms. Martin's hard work and appreciation for her dedication to her campaign. The letter addresses the District Mission Statement, highlighting the statement regarding productive and compassionate citizenship. Ms. Martin's work demonstrates the District's Mission Statement and the board is proud to see it being carried out.

6.2 Principals' Reports & PHIP Report – Meet the Teacher Conferences (Relationship)

6.201 PHES (Exhibit 2122.116)

Principal Stoneberg's PHIP Report includes parent conference participation. There was 100% participation this year. One barrier that was removed, leading to higher rates, was the accessibility. This year parents were offered virtual, phone, and socially distanced outdoor in-person conferences.

Each student age 7 and under are required by state law to have their vision tested. In order to remove the financial burden for families, the Oregon Lions Sight and Vision Foundation works with schools to provide screening services. All students grades K-5 were screened on December 1, 2021. Results will be shared with families when they are returned from the Oregon Lions Sight and Vision Foundation.

Students are challenged to bring in 1,000 pounds of donated food for the PHES annual Bucket Filler Community Food Drive. As of December 6, 2021, there has been approximately 400 pounds of food donated.

Third and fourth graders have raised over \$1,800 for “Toys for Tots.” On December 7, 2021, students will be “shopping” online to select items for teachers to purchase. That Thursday the toys will be taken to the Salvation Army for delivery to children. Students are hoping to go to Lively Pool for lunch afterwards, weather permitting.

PHES has reinstated Billie Spirit Assemblies, giving teachers more opportunities to recognize students. Each month teachers will recognize two students and Principal Stoneberg will award one student each month with the “Principal’s Award.” Students may also receive “Golden Awards” for various positive achievements.

Elementary students will be participating in winter music concerts, though they will look different this year. Two grades will perform each day for three days in December. The performances are planned to take place outdoors, but backup plans are being made in case of inclement weather.

6.202 PHHS (Exhibit 2122.117)

Principal Fisher presented the PHHS parent conference data for the PHIP Report. High school teachers take two six-hour days to complete conferences in 15 minute increments. Most teachers had between 30 and 40 scheduled. The majority of conferences were held via Zoom, with a few in-person. There was a total of 140 parents in attendance, and 168 students. This put the total conference number at approximately 800. Parents may meet with multiple teachers, unfortunately teachers are unable to meet with each of their students/parents due to time constraints. Teachers may see between 100 and 160 students in a regular school day.

High School announcements are sent out daily. Students are recognized for many things in the daily announcements. Each grade has a Student of the Month and Most Improved Student. College/University acceptances and post-secondary plans are also acknowledged. On November 30, 2021, forty PHHS students attended an Oregon State University campus tour. Internships and experience-building programs are announced daily.

PHHS Winter Holiday choir concert will be on Wednesday, December 15, and the band concert will be on December 16. Both will be in the Student Center.

6.3 Superintendent’s Report

6.301 Monthly Enrollment – December (Exhibit 2122.118)

PHSD enrollment has been trending downward for the year, but has leveled off at 933 (November) and 932 (December).

6.302 Covid-19 Update (Exhibit 2122.119)

There have been multiple updates regarding Covid-19 recently. Superintendent Linenberger received approval from the Oregon Department of Education (ODE), Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and Lane Public Health Authority (LPHA), of a letter to be sent to families, staff, and community members on December 2, 2021. This letter contained the following updates:

- **Lifting the Outdoor Face Covering Requirement: What This Means for PHSD:** Starting on Monday November 29, 2021, face coverings during the student

contact day are no longer required to be worn while outdoors. Individuals may choose to continue wearing face coverings outdoors.

- **Test-to-Stay Protocol will begin: What This Means for PHSD:**

Fully vaccinated individuals who come in close contact with an individual who is positive for Covid-19 may continue to stay onsite provided they are asymptomatic. Test-to-stay recommends unvaccinated individuals be tested twice during the 7 days following exposure. The first test should be taken as soon as the exposure has been identified, with a second test occurring between days 5-7 following the exposure.

Lane County reported 750 official K-12 student cases of Covid-19 in September, 540 in October, and 255 in November. These are deemed “official” because confirmed positive test results have been submitted through official testing sites. It should be noted that at-home tests are not recorded as “official.”

The “Omicron” variant has been confirmed in California. There is not enough information about this new variant to say whether or not it is more or less deadly than other variants.

An updated Ready Schools Safe Learners (RSSL) Resiliency Framework is expected to be released in the coming week. This document is from ODE and explains school guidance for remaining open. This is the first RSSL change in guidance this school year. For comparison, last school year saw RSSL updates every four to six weeks.

Superintendent Linenberger expressed his gratitude for PHSD families and staff for their adherence to guidelines, allowing the District to remain open and continue in-person education.

PHSD is hosting pediatric vaccine clinics on December 16th and January 6th from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.. The clinics will be held in the Auxiliary Gym (Dec 16) and Community Center (Jan 6). These clinics will be by appointment only and for children ages 5-17. There will be no boosters offered, and only Pfizer doses will be onsite.

6.4 Discussion Items

6.401 OSBA Voting (Exhibit 2122.120)

School boards must vote for OSBA Board of Director and OSBA Legislative Policy Committee Members. In the Lane region (Region 6) there are two candidates running for each position. The board will determine which candidate to cast their vote for under Board Action Item 8.101. Once the board has selected their candidates, the Board Secretary will submit the votes to OSBA.

6.402 Online Public Forum Participation

On January 1, 2022 school boards who are allowing public comment in-person during board meetings must allow online viewers the opportunity to speak in real-time as well. The link to the Zoom meeting will be posted online along with the agenda and YouTube links.

After discussion, the board agrees that speakers must state their name prior to making their comment (both in-person and online). The Board Secretary will admit online speakers into the meeting during the Public Comment section of the board meeting. If comments become blatantly inappropriate, the Board Secretary has permission to remove the speaker from the Zoom meeting.

6.403 Policy Discussion

- JFCJ – Weapons in Schools, **** Required (Exhibit 2122.110)**
- KGBB – Firearms Prohibited, **New, Conditionally Required (Exhibit 2122.111)**

PHSD currently has policy JFCJ in place; it was last updated in 2019. This policy covers prohibition of firearms possession by students; it also outlines the discipline process for violators. The policy presented is updated following the most recent legislative session.

Policy KGBB is directed primarily towards adults. This policy prohibits all visitors from possessing any firearm on school grounds. The exception provided in ORS 166.370(3)(g) for concealed carry licenses does not apply. The policy would require any person, who is lawfully permitted to carry a firearm, to lock it in a motor vehicle unloaded.

Currently, PHSD does not have a policy detailing concealed carry scenarios. If policy KGBB were adopted, signs must be posted prohibiting all persons from carrying a firearm on school grounds.

6.404 Hiring Process

High School Principal Randy Fisher will not be continuing his work with PHSD following this school year. Mr. Fisher retired after last school year and was rehired to continue his service for the current year. Superintendent Linenberger added this item to the agenda to inform the board how he will proceed when hiring a new principal. Historically, board members have not been requested to sit on a hiring committee for district employees. Mr. Linenberger hopes to have a board member on the committee for their honest assessment as a person who was elected by, and is a representative of, the PHSD community.

Superintendent Linenberger is considering a large hiring committee, including, but not limited to administrative employees, classified employees, as well as student and parent representatives in the hiring committee.

7.0 PUBLIC FORUM –

Individuals who are onsite: During this portion of the Board Meeting, members of the public are specifically invited to present items of commendation and/or concerns. At the discretion of the Board Chair, further public participation may be allowed at the time specific agenda items are under consideration by the Board (District Policy BDDH).

Individuals who are viewing online: PHSD posts the upcoming agenda on our website www.pleasanthill.k12.or.us the Friday before regularly scheduled Monday school board meetings. This will allow for public comment prior to the board meeting. Please click on the tab provided to share your comment(s) for the school board to consider at the upcoming meeting.

Personnel matters may not be discussed in public at a School Board meeting. Members of the public who have personnel concerns or commendations should share them directly with the district superintendent.

Evelyn Hogervorst and her mother requested board action to approve an OSAA Collective Sponsorship Application. Ms. Hogervorst is a homeschooled student who lives in the Pleasant Hill School District. PHSD does not offer swimming and Ms. Hogervorst expressed interest in participating with the Churchill swim team and her coach Jennifer Thompson.

8.0 BOARD ACTION ITEMS

8.1 New Business

8.101 OSBA Voting

Wylde Cafferata moved to select Linda Hamilton as the district selection for OSBA Board of Directors Position 6. John Oldham seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Wylde Cafferata moved to select Austin Folnagy as the district selection for OSBA Legislative Policy Committee Position 6. Rusty Rexius seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8.102 OSAA Collective Sponsorship – Swimming

PHSD does not currently offer swimming. Churchill HS has offered to include Pleasant Hill students in their Girls Swimming program. Churchill will provide primary coaching and facilities. Transportation providers are unknown/to be determined. This opportunity requires board action for approval. Students will participate as Pleasant Hill representatives on the Churchill Swim Team.

John Oldham moved to approve the OSAA Collective Sponsorship – Swimming, allowing PHSD student athletes to participate with the Churchill High School student athletes in Girls Swimming for the next three years. Stephen Hammond seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8.2 Old Business

8.201 Firearms Policies

- JFCJ – Weapons in Schools**, Required
- KGBB – Firearms Prohibited, *New* Conditionally Required

The board discussed concerns regarding where firearms could/would be locked up if this policy (KGBB) does pass. A comment was made that it is unfortunate that local school boards are expected to address policies such as these, and that these decisions are not made at a higher level such as state legislation.

Wylde Cafferata moved to approve Policy JFCJ – Weapons in Schools. Stephen Hammond seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Stephen Hammond moved to approve Policy KGBB – Firearms Prohibited. Wylde Cafferata seconded the motion for the purpose of further discussion. The motion failed with a vote of 1:4. Stephen Hammond voted in favor, John Oldham, Rusty Rexius, Drew Gottfried, and Wylde Cafferata voted against the motion.


9.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

- Board Meeting – January 3, 2022; 7:00pm
- Board Meeting – February 14, 2022; 7:00pm

10.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS/OTHER

- Resignation of Crystal Jones, Food Service Worker, PHHS
- Resignation 0.5 FTE – Jill Pallin, Health CTE Teacher
- PHMS/HS band groups are holding a fundraiser at Roaring Rapids Pizza on Wednesday, December 8, 2021. Funds are being raised for bands to attend a Jazz Festival next year. Bands will begin performing at 6 p.m.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT – 8:54 p.m.

Signed: , this 14 day of Feb, 2022.
John Oldham, Board Chair