

ROSEBURG PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Time & Location:

The March 16, 2022 School Board Meeting was held in the Hucrest Elementary School Cafeteria, 1810 NW Kline Street in Roseburg beginning at 6:00 p.m., also accessible via Zoom link.



**SUPERINTENDENT
JARED P. CORDON**

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Cordon shared how wonderful it was to see students, staff and families in person. He congratulated newly crowned RHS student, Marin Gray, for being selected as the new Miss Douglas County, and being a fine representative. Mr. Cordon thanked staff, students and families for the smooth and respectful transition in making masks optional at RPS. We are monitoring student enrollment as we begin budgeting for 2023.

Welcome to Hucrest Elementary

Hucrest Principal, Don Schrader, welcomed attendees to the school. Chair Rebecca Larson expressed gratitude for the amazing student artwork gracing the space and thanked Hucrest for hosting tonight, adding that conducting Board meetings remotely is not the same as being here in person.

Next Board Meeting:

April 13, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.
Eastwood Elementary School
2550 SE Waldon Avenue
Roseburg, Oregon
Zoom Link Available

**STUDENT AND STAFF
RECOGNITION**

Director Howard Johnson shared that it was his honor to present the awards tonight. In addressing the recipients, Reverend Johnson explained that out of so many deserving staff and students, it is very difficult to select just one. He expressed to the individuals that, "We appreciate you, we depend on you, we are grateful to you, and he is hopeful that this recognition would become a part of their resumes for future careers."

The students being honored as outstanding students included the following:

- * **Addison "Addie" Soder, Fifth Grade student at Melrose Elementary;**
- * **Tyson Juett, Sixth Grade student at Joseph Lane Middle School; and**
- * **Imogen Warnack, 10th Grade Student at RHS.**

Staff being recognized with the Crystal Apple Award included:

- * **Reagan Aramburo, Nutrition Services Lead Cook at Fullerton IV;**
- * **Dawn Cannon, Nutrition Services Lead Cook at Fir Grove;**
- * **Lindsey Cook, Teacher for Roseburg Virtual School;**
- * **Kira Rathjen, the Custodian for Roseburg Virtual School;**
- * **Rebecca King, Second Grade Teacher at Sunnyslope; and**
- * **Konni McComb, Skills Trainer for Sunnyslope.**

Action Items

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, consisting of

approval of the Agenda, Minutes of the February 23rd Board Meeting, Surplus Items listing, Gifts to the District and personnel actions listed below:

Recommendation for Hire:

- ◆ Brynn Pitts, RHS Social Studies Teacher. temporary position for 2021-22.

Licensed Resignations effective at the end of the 2021-22 school year:

- ◆ Sandra Bannister, 4th Grade Teacher at Fullerton IV Elementary;
- ◆ Lisa Crain, Language Arts Teacher at Fremont MS;
- ◆ Jennah Cummings, Special Education Teacher at Fullerton IV;
- ◆ Alex Lombardi, Second Grade Teacher at Green;
- ◆ Dixie Sturman, a Kindergarten Teacher at Eastwood; and
- ◆ Emily Terhune, Fremont Language Arts Teacher.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Roseburg Education Association (REA) and Douglas County School Dist. 4 (Roseburg Public Schools)

Human Resources Director, Robert Freeman, informed the Board that the Tuition Reimbursement Committee is recommending a \$15,000 increase to the existing \$35,000 tuition reimbursement allowance to support licensed staff in continuing their education. The increase would be effective with the 2022-2023 school year. The Board unanimously approved the MOU as presented.

Supt. Cordon will monitor utilization of this allocation to assure it is sufficient to meet the needs of our licensed staff as they refine instructional skills through professional development.

Student Leadership Report:

RHS leadership students Marin Gray and Emma Kahler both expressed pleasure in being able to attend in person to update the Board on all the exciting things happening at Roseburg High School. Students at both RHS and our middle schools are having fun enjoying "Kindness Week" activities. Positivitrees are a continued presence on campus, encouraging everyone to complete random acts of kindness, along with contributing to the Kindness Chain. Students interested in leadership are encouraged to attend an informational meeting to learn about next year's class. During Spring Break, students are supporting our local community by creating emergency buckets at Melrose Elementary. The popular annual fundraising event, Mr. RHS, is scheduled for May 6, and 9 candidates are already busy practicing. RHS Prom is to take place on April 23rd. Plans are also in progress for a UCC math competition and annual Mother-Daughter Tea, P.R.I.D.E. Night and Homegoing events.

Emma shared all the current athletic and concert event results, The Wind Ensemble and Choir have qualified for state competition. Nominees for the Future First Citizen Scholarships have been selected. The wrestling team placed Third in the state, with both Nash and Gage Singleton placing First, and Varrius Scanlon placing Second.

Students are planning to honor all staff throughout the week of April 18th, acknowledging them for ensuring student success during the pandemic.

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