

Time & Location:

A Public Hearing and Board Meeting were held on Wednesday, December 14th at Fir Grove Elementary School, 1360 W Harvard Blvd in Roseburg, and available via Zoom and followed by an Executive Session.



**SUPERINTENDENT
JARED P. CORDON**

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Cordon reflected on the steady leadership of our Board throughout the pandemic, recalling that as the first 6A school district in Oregon to return secondary students to in-person learning, the Board successfully balanced needs of the Roseburg community with the requirements school districts faced in keeping students, staff and the community safe. Board leadership resulted in year after year of clean public audits, directing the sale of pension obligation bonds expected to save the district \$18 million in PERS obligations over the next 20 years; reviewed and updated district policies; and facilitated adoption of updated health, English and math curriculums that align not only with state standards but with our community's values. The Board's Strategic Plan was adopted and updated, ensuring the work of our district aligns with the goal that "All students will receive the care, support and instruction needed to graduate from high school with plans for their most successful futures." We appreciate you!

Next Board Meeting:

January 11, 2023; 6:00 p.m.
Hucrest Elementary School
1810 NW Kline Street
Roseburg, Oregon
Zoom Link will be Available

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing was held to review proposed findings to support an exemption from traditional bidding processes and use of the CM/GC method of procurement for the Eastwood Elementary School seismic rehabilitation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the proposed findings and use the CM/GC method of procurement as proposed for Eastwood School for \$2,497,894 to seismically strengthen the multi-purpose room and a classroom wing area to both life safety and immediate occupancy standards.

Design & Engineering Services Contract Award for Eastwood School—RFP 22-722

The Board, acting as the Local Contract Review Board, awarded the proposal and directed the business office to negotiate a contract for \$255,200 with ZCS Engineering and Architecture for engineering services for the Eastwood Elementary School Seismic Rehabilitation Project.

Presentation of the 2021-22 Audited Financial Statements

Finance and Operations Director Cheryl Northam introduced Ms. Aria Bettinger, CPA/Partner, and Ben Cohn, CPA/Sr. Manager with accounting firm KDP CPAs LLP. Ms. Bettinger and Mr. Cohn shared required communications to the School Board subsequent to the completion of the 2021-2022 fiscal year audit. Following review of the main focus areas, Ms. Bettinger advised the Board that the audit had been awarded an "unmodified opinion", explaining that this is the highest level of assurance attainable.

Phoenix Charter School Check-in

Phoenix Charter School Principal Kat Bierkens & Executive Director Thomas McGregor shared current data specific to student attendance, on track for graduation and academic achievement. Principal Bierkens also shared their new 5-5-5

Attendance Support Plan and intervention strategies.

Action Items

The Board approved the Consent Agenda consisting of approval of the Agenda, Minutes from the November 16th Board Meeting, Surplus Items Listing and Gifts to the District, along with personnel actions that included:

Licensed Hire Recommendations

Fremont Middle School

Alesha Hunt, Technology Teacher, temporary for 2022-23.

Licensed Resignations:

- Joni Sherman, OSS School Counselor (1/31/2023)
- Steven Kiepert, Woodshop Teacher at Jo Lane MS, after 24 years, to work retired through 2022-23;
- Lisa Pardon, Teaching & Learning Support Specialist, after 33 years, to work retired through 2022-23;
- Madeline Weiss, Technology Teacher at Fremont Middle School, is resigning effective November 22, 2022.

STUDENT & STAFF RECOGNITION

Board Chair Howard Johnson was honored to present student and staff awards to highly deserving staff members and students. Students recognized tonight were:

- * **Blayden Balfour — Fir Grove Elementary; and**
- * **Symone Rust, — RHS**
- * *(Dexter Gray of Jo Lane had a scheduling conflict and will be recognized in January 2023)*

Staff being honored with the Crystal Apple Award included:

- * **Jill Clark, Skills Trainer- Eastwood Elementary;**
- * **Wanda Harris, DLC IA and Paperwork Manager - Fir Grove Elementary;**
- * **Nancy Neal, Teacher at Eastwood Elementary;**
- * **Kristin Schriener — Fir Grove Elementary DLC Teacher.**

Updated Board Policies

Following review by the Board's Policy Committee, the Board voted unanimously to approve Policy Section K/L: District/Community Relations, for Second Reading and Adoption.

2023-2024 School Year Calendar Adoption

The Board adopted a 2023-24 school year calendar, reflecting an August 28, 2023 start date, June 1, 2024 graduation date, and classes wrapping up June 6.

Resolution 22-23-11: Farm to School Education Grant

The Board adopted Resolution 22-23-11 appropriating a State of Oregon \$98,320 Farm to School Education Grant to revitalize garden beds and fencing, grow produce, provide agricultural field trips and fruit and veggie tastings for students at Fir Grove, Fullerton, Melrose and Winchester Schools.

Student Leadership Report

RHS leadership students Emma Kahler and Ally Negrin shared current activities and athletic results from the high school. Students are enjoying playful Winter Week adventures and really looking forward to the upcoming holiday break!

Enrollment
11/30/2022 2022 2021

Elementary	2,673	2,593
Middle School	1,257	1,251
High School	1,607	1,627
Phoenix	165	192
Total	5,702	5,663

School Board:

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