

**St. Helens School District #502
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
February 24, 2021**

The St. Helens School District Board of School District #502 convened in a Regular Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom, per ORS 192.670 on January 27, 2021. This public meeting was observable at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hs0y0LFbqO0&feature=youtu.be>. Members of the community interested in commenting on agenda items were invited to do so by emailing the Board of Directors at: sb502@sthelens.k12.or.us. Members of the community interested in addressing the Board during the meeting were invited to email a summary of the topic and request the Zoom meeting link prior to 5:00 on Wednesday, February 24, 2021.

PRESENT

Those present were:

Ryan Scholl, Vice Chair
Melody Killens, Board Member
Kellie Smith, Board Member
Bill Amos, Board Member
Scot Stockwell, Superintendent
Jessica Seay, Business Manager
Kristi Ward, Executive Assistant

Absent:

Trinity Monahan, Board Chair

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Scholl called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Melody Killens entered a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Bill Amos seconded; the motion to approve the agenda carried unanimously with all members in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Bill Amos entered a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Melody Killens seconded; the motion to approve the agenda carried unanimously with all members in attendance.

VISITORS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

- None presented.

NEW BUSINESS

- Hannah Hayduk, SHHS ASB Representative updated the Board regarding the many activities scheduled to take place virtually, including the Drama Department's radio performance of War of the Worlds on February 18th and 19th, Club Rush which will take place on February 22nd through the 25th, and continued activities around Kindness Week, which has been extended to last the whole month of February.
- Martine Barnett, Jennifer Vanderschuere, Dustin Salisbury, Lisa Tyler, Cris Gwilliam, Colleen Grogan and Dr. Katy Wagner informed members about the work

and activities taking place at each school, the current level of attendance and engagement and the many ways staff are supporting students and families while the District is in the comprehensive distance learning mode. The team reported about the extensive outreach efforts taking place from each school, the Limited In-Person Instruction (LIPI) taking place, and plans for returning students.

- Superintendent Stockwell noted that there are six (6) Board policies that have been reviewed by members over a six-week span. The recommended updates were posted on the District webpage to allow the community to review them as well. Those policies include:
 - GCPC/GDPC – Retirement of Staff
 - IJ – School Counseling Program
 - IKFB – Graduation Exercises
 - JB – Equal Educational Opportunity
 - JFCM – Threats of Violence
 - LBE – Public Charter Schools

Kellie Smith noted that she would like to talk further about policy IJ – School Counseling Program, at the next Board Work Session rather than vote on it today. There were no other comments or questions.

- Superintendent Stockwell brought to the attention of the Board that the District owns a property on Pittsburg Rd. and one on Ross Road and that neither are currently in use. He asked members for input regarding selling these properties to increase the funding going into the high school remodel. Members asked a few questions then agreed that they would like to continue the discussion at the next Work Session.
- Jessica Seay described the reason for the proposed Resolution 2020-21#10 – Amend the Interfund Loan. The load was a transfer of funds from the General Fund during the 2019-20 school year for the purchase of a home to be remodeled by the SHHS R&R program. Due to the program not being in place during the pandemic, this resolution would allow those funds to be used in the 2021-22 school year when the program continues.
- Jessica Seay presented the revised 2021-22 Budget Calendar – Part B. At the suggestion of members, she consulted with the Budget Committee members not also serving on the Board about the schedule, and confirmed the proposed dates.
- Jessica Seay presented a summary of the District's audit results, prepared by Pauly Rogers and Co., having concluded the second a three-year contract with the District. She reviewed the two findings identified by the auditors and the corrective actions taken.
- Superintendent Stockwell outlined some of the services provided to the District by Northwest Regional ESD (NWRESD). He suggested the Board approve the 2021-22 Local ESD Plan as presented.
- Superintendent Stockwell reported that in order to continue the St. Helens Virtual Academy (SHVA), the Board will need to approve its addition as an institution. Currently SHVA is working under the umbrella of our existing schools, this will allow it, per ODE's request for record-keeping purposes, to be tracked as an individual entity.
- Superintendent Stockwell provided an update regarding the current metrics for rates of COVID in Columbia, Washington and Multnomah counties. He noted that the positive case rates are decreasing in those counties, with the exception of Columbia County. The District continues to work with the OHA to plan for a gradual and safe

return to in-person hybrid learning in groups of grade levels, beginning with the younger students. The current re-opening schedule for in-person hybrid instruction is:

- Preschool-1st Grade: Week of March 8
- Grades 2-3: Week of March 29

Limited in-person instruction is currently taking place for grades Preschool-5, and will be available for grades 6-12 beginning March 1.

The District will communicate frequently with the community during this return to school process.

VISITORS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

- None presented.

ACTION ITEMS

- Bill Amos entered a motion to approve RESOLUTION 2020-21 #10 – AMEND THE INTERFUND LOAN. Melody Killens seconded; the motion carried unanimously with all members in attendance.

Item#	Motion	Board Member	Yes	No	Notes
7.1	Entered a motion to approve	Bill Amos	X		
7.1	Seconded the motion	Melody Killens	X		
7.1		Ryan Scholl	X		
7.1		Trinity Monahan			Not Present
7.1		Kellie Smith	X		

- Bill Amos entered a motion to approve the 2021-22 Budget Calendar Revision – Part B. Melody Killens; seconded the motion carried unanimously.

Item#	Motion	Board Member	Yes	No	Notes
7.2	Entered a motion to approve	Bill Amos	X		
7.2	Seconded the motion	Melody Killens	X		
7.2		Ryan Scholl	X		
7.2		Trinity Monahan			Not Present
7.2		Kellie Smith	X		

- Bill Amos entered a motion to approve the 2021-22 NWRES D Service Plan. Melody Killens seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Item#	Motion	Board Member	Yes	No	Notes
7.3	Entered a motion to approve	Bill Amos	X		
7.3	Seconded the motion	Melody Killens	X		
7.3		Ryan Scholl	X		
7.3		Trinity Monahan			Not Present
7.3		Kellie Smith	X		

- Bill Amos entered a motion to approve the addition of the St. Helens Virtual Academy (SHVA) as a District Institution. Melody Killens seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Item#	Motion	Board Member	Yes	No	Notes
7.4	Entered a motion to approve	Bill Amos	X		
7.4	Seconded the motion	Melody Killens	X		
7.4		Ryan Scholl	X		
7.4		Trinity Monahan			Not Present
7.4		Kellie Smith	X		

UPCOMING MEETING INPUT

- March 3, 2021 – Board Planning Session, 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Scholl adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.


Ryan Scholl, Board Vice Chair


Scot Stockwell, Superintendent