

**St. Helens School District #502  
Board of Directors Meeting  
March 12, 2009**

The District School Board of School District #502, Columbia County, Oregon convened in regular session at 6:30 p.m. in the Administration Office of the District, County and State on March 12, 2009.

Those present were:

David Morrisson, Board Chair  
Rebecca Wallace, Board Vice Chair  
Jana Mann, Board Member  
Bill Crist, Board Member  
Benita Saatvedt, Board Member  
Patricia Adams, Superintendent  
Teri Burns, Director of Operations and Finance  
Amanda Stuber, Executive Assistant

Guests:

BG Aguirre	Scott Pieper	Chelsea Lewis
Kylie Stroda	Kyle Stroda	Kelly Wheeldon
Maria Heath	Jenni Anderson	Alina Dolyniuk
Diana Peterson	Telka Peterson	Heather Prichard
Jamie Kingery	Sarah Berg	Bruce Carvalho
Burt Sweet	Lucas Schmauss	Sandi Curelo
Jeri Deady	Karla Thompson	Lori Thompson

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the flag salute.

**Agenda Approval**

Prior to agenda approval an executive session was added to the meeting as agenda item 6.8, Bill Crist moved to approve the March 12, 2009 meeting agenda. Rebecca Wallace seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment on Non Agenda Items**

None.

**Consent Agenda**

Rebecca Wallace moved and Jana Mann seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Minutes of the Work Session – February 9, 2009  
Minutes of Regular Meeting – February 23, 2009  
Human Resources Report – March 2009  
General Fund Revenue & Expenditure Report  
General Fund Revenue & Expenditure Projection  
Student Enrollment/Attendance Information

Mr. Morrisson questioned the negative remaining balance of \$400,000 on the general fund revenue & expenditure report and the negative \$782 under expenditures.

Mrs. Burns explained the negative general fund revenue & expenditure balance is due to the 2007-2008 ending fund balance being larger than the district's budget amount.

The motion carried unanimously.

### Special Recognition

SCORE Recipient – Superintendent Adams provided a report of the March 4<sup>th</sup> SCORE Award ceremony and recognized Columbia City School student Kylie Stroda; Kylie was unable to attend the recognition ceremony on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Kylie was recognized by Superintendent Adams in the area of creativity for her amazing level of an accomplished painter.

### Reports and Discussions

#### 2009-10 School Year Calendar

Two options of the 2009-10 school year calendar was presented to the board. Superintendent Adams explained the school year start and end dates and holidays are the same on both options. Option one reflects late start professional development days every second Wednesday of the month while option two reflects half day inservice days with the other half being a work day. It was noted that the licensed staff preferred option two by ten employees and three of the five administrators preferred option two. Both calendars include a total of 16 hours of professional development time and are close in instruction hours; option one has approximately five hours more of instructional time than option two.

Following discussion on the two presented calendar options the board was unanimously in favor of calendar option two.

#### Strategic Planning

Superintendent Adams provided a copy of the February 27<sup>th</sup> strategic planning session minutes. The four areas identified by the strategic planning committee have gone to the administrative council where the team identified what success looks like to them as a group. The next steps of the strategic planning process will include a one hour work session with a student group then the strategic planning sub-group will do an editing session and then the board will work on the plan from there.

#### K-8 Science Textbook Adoption

Joanna Rau introduced the team presenting the K-8 science textbook adoption. The group then presented the selected Science curriculum for grades K-8. Following the review of the teams selected materials the board submitted questions to the groups and Judy Valpiani concluded the K-8 science textbook adoption proposal with an overview of the combined budget figure for the entire package.

The textbook selections will be set up in the board room for board member review and the board will revisit the Science adoption at the April 13<sup>th</sup> work session.

#### Arthur Academy Contract Renewal

Superintendent Adams brought attention to the contract renewal request from the Yankton Arthur Academy. The board requested an executive session prior to a public hearing on the renewal and the Academy's renewal proposal be provided before the meeting for review.

**Adjourn**

The board adjourned the regular meeting and convened into an Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. in accordance with ORS 223.061 (2) (a) which allows the Board to meet in executive session to discuss matters of personnel. Public and staff which were not requested to appear before the board was not permitted to attend.

**Adjourn & Call to Order**

The Executive Session was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. and the public meeting was reconvened.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Resolution 2008-09 No. 13**

Bill Crist moved to approve Resolution 2008-09 Number 13 – Licensed & Administrative Staff Contract Renewals and Non-renewals. Jana Mann seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**2009-10 School Year Calendar**

Rebecca Wallace moved to approve option two of the presented 2009-2010 school year calendars. Jana Mann seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items**

None.

**Superintendent and Board Communication & Correspondence**

No board communication or correspondence was received.

**Upcoming Meeting Input**

No upcoming meeting input was provided.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Board Chair

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Superintendent