

WORK SESSION MINUTES

A Work Session of the Springfield School District No. 19 Board of Education was held on April 25, 2022.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Board Chair Naomi Raven called the Springfield Board of Education Work Session to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance

Board Members attending the meeting included Board Chair Naomi Raven, Board Vice Chair Emilio Hernandez, Jonathan Light, Kelly Mason and Todd Mann.

District staff and community members identified included Superintendent Todd Hamilton, David Collins, Brett Yancey, Terry Rutledge, Jeff Michna, Jessica Lemley, Karri Thiele, Mindy LeRoux, Whitney McKinley, Taylor Madden, Joyce Johnson, Brian Megert, Judy Bowden and Marlene Hockema, minutes recorder.

BOARD EVALUATION TOOL

Vincent Adams from the Oregon School Boards Association (OSBA) shared a presentation about the current tool that OSBA is recommending school boards use for their evaluation which would be a product of Alsbury and Gore (2015) and the nationwide normal. Mr. Adams stated SB 334 (Mandatory Board Training) failed due to a short legislature session but would likely be resubmitted to the next long session. Mr. Adams introduced evaluation methods for both boards and individuals which would be required every two years. Topics addressed in the review would include: cohesive teaming with superintendent and a public meeting, good Board governance versus dysfunctional Board governance, how to manage and measure assessments, include 12 standards rather than the previous five which would encompass expectations, strengths, areas of growth, and evidence-based standards of performance. Mr. Adams reported that 70% graduation rates were acceptable in the 1980's but today each student needs to graduate to move on to work and/or additional education. The cycle for assessment would consist of: roles, assessment, debrief, goals, individual member mentoring, training and activities; then repeat. The survey would be available online for board members to complete and new information would overlay old data.

Dr. Hernandez questioned what measures would be needed to protect the Board and Administration from actions taken by groups or individuals. Additionally, he queried how the behavior of individual Board members would affect the Board as a whole. Chair Raven noted she

had used the previous evaluation tool for two previous assessments and found it to be helpful and would like to see the evaluations completed by June so goals would be clear for the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Mann asked how many Board sessions would be necessary to complete the process; Mr. Adams responded, one. Mr. Light inquired as to the cost of the evaluation process and Mr. Adams stated \$575 plus mileage.

FACILITIES UPDATE

Mr. Yancey and Mr. Rutledge shared a presentation regarding the status of the district's HVAC upgrade project which is being funded with ESSER dollars, noting the total cost to be \$23.6M. Progress to date:

- June 14, 2021- Board conducts public hearing and adopts exemption for alternate procurement method,
- June 14, 2021- Board adopts resolution for Design-Build procurement process,
- October 11, 2021- Board approves Design-Build contract for Alliant Systems,
- January 2022- Successful negotiations and fully executed contract for Design-Build of district-wide HVAC systems,
- Mt. Vernon/Riverbend Elementary Schools: Completed HVAC installations (March 2022),
- Walterville Elementary School: Coordinating replacement system with flood repairs to be completed Summer 2022.

Schools would be categorized A (system replacement), B (controls and commissioning), and C (controls, cooling, and ventilation).

Category A schools: THS, TMS, TRDR, Walterville

Category B schools: Maple, Page, TES, ASMS, BMS, SHS, Admin Server Room

Category C schools: Centennial, Douglas Gardens, Guy Lee, Ridgeview, Yolanda, Brattain Campus, A3

Future steps include: Finalize design and system solutions, order equipment and long-lead time items, establish project priorities and timeline for work (by beginning of 2022-2023 school year).

Discussion concluded the HVAC projects would be a wise investment of ESSER funds and would benefit staff and students.

WILLAMETTE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY (WLA) CHARTER AGREEMENT RENEWAL PROCESS

The board listened to a video prepared by Kristen Miles from OSBA. The district had engaged her services to assist them and WLA with the charter renewal process. She shared the following during her short video: the charter school must notify the district 100 days prior to renewal or expiration date of the contract, the first renewal must follow the same contract as the original and

additional renewals would be no less than five years or more than ten years. Within 45 days the Board would hold a public hearing with a one-hour presentation. 30 days after the hearing, the Board would vote using the following criteria: 1) compliance, 2) contract, 3) students meeting or working towards meeting performance goals, 4) financial stability and 5) compliance with renewal criteria.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board/Budget Committee Work Session will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2022 beginning at 6:00pm. The next Board Meeting will take place on Monday, May 9, 2022 beginning at 7:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Chair Raven adjourned the Work Session at 7:22 p.m.

(Minutes recorded by Marlene Hockema)