

Dayton School District #8
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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

The Board of Directors of Dayton School District No. 8 met for the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 in the District Board Room broadcast via zoom.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Chair Larry Ringnalda called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:01 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members

Larry Ringnalda, Chair
Ann Coleman, Vice Chair
Veronica Palmer
Pieper Sweeney
Kraig Albright
Terri Paysinger
Christopher Wytoski

Administrators/Board Secretary

Amy Fast, Superintendent
Amber Estrada, Business Manager
Katie Terry, District Secretary

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA / ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Introduction of Student representatives was added to the agenda.

-It was moved by Terri Paysinger, seconded by Pieper Sweeney, and carried unanimously (7-0) to adopt the agenda.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Board Chair Larry Ringnalda introduced two students who will be part of the school board as student representatives, Lillie Brooks and Kenneth Yount. The oath of office was issued to student board members Lillie Brooks and Kenneth Yount. (Record copies of oaths of office on file).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Board Chair Ringnalda announced the public comment agenda item. He reviewed the rules that govern public comments, and paper copies of board policy BDDH-Public Comment at board meetings were available to the public.

The following public comments were heard by the Board: [Quoted topic titles were written as listed on public comments form.]

- Caralee Johnston & Kit Johnston, parents, spoke on the topic of “ELA”.
- Amy Webster, parent, spoke on the topic of “Community Update”
- Janessa Allen, parent, spoke on the topic of “School Discipline Policies”
- Leah Huettl, Parent, spoke on the topic of “Communication between school staff and parents / Bullying”

Superintendent Fast spoke about safety measures that were put in place and long term solutions for

safety at the Junior High / High School Campus.

CONSENT AGENDA

-It was moved by Pieper Sweeney, seconded by Kraig Albright, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- Approve 2023-9-12 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- Approve 2023-9-6 Board Training Session Minutes
- Approve 2023-9-7 Board Training Session Minutes
- Confirm Employment
 - Sharon DiLorenzo – Post High Instructional Assistant, 0.88 FTE
 - Katie Pyne – Grade School Special Education Teacher, 1.0 FTE
- Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy / Administrative Regulations:
 - -GBED: Medical Examinations / Drug Testing

REPORTS

Financial Report:

Amber Esdrada, Business Manager, reported:

- The current financial report is in the board packet.
- Amber has been busy working with the auditors who were on site last week. The Audit has been running smoothly. The new auditors that we have seem to be more streamlined and the district has been able to upload most of the data before the onsite visit.

Curriculum and Instruction Report:

Robin VanBuren, Director of Teaching and Learning, reported:

- The staff have been completing professional development at late start Monday meetings which include ongoing modeling of research-based engagement strategies and a roll out of empathy interviews and training. The math adoption committee met for the first time last week.
- Attendance meeting are happening at the building level weekly to review attendance data and plan interventions. District level attendance teams meet monthly to problem solve for our tier 3 attendance concerns and shared siblings with attendance concerns.
- There are a lot of staff in new roles t the middle and high school that have been trained on pulling reports looking for 10 day drops and supporting attendance work.
- CTE teachers and Robin will attend the MWEC Rally on Thursday in Sale. Charlie Hascall will be presenting with students and the Taco Coupe.
- ODE announced the next Revitalization Grant that is due next month. The CTE team is currently brainstorming what we need for current programs and potential new pathways we could offer with grant funds.
- ODE released a non-competitive grant to support early literacy instruction in Pre-K and Grades Kindergarten through third. Robin is meeting weekly with Tonya Hill and Dana Symons to plan for and write the grant. Allowable uses for the grant include adoption and implementation of curricula, employment of literacy specialists, coaches, or interventionists, professional development and coaching, and high-dosage tutoring.

DISCUSSION

Schedule of Board Events

-Next regular Board Meeting on November 14, 2023, beginning at 7:00PM in the district boardroom.

-Oregon School Board Association Annual Convention, November 9-11, 2023 at the Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront Hotel.

Portrait of a Grad

Superintendent Fast asked the board the skills, knowledge, and disposition that are most valued in a co-worker. Responses included honest, consistent, integrity and commitment, initiative, and time management. How do we teach these qualities to our students. Before we can determine what our portrait of graduate is, we need to know where we are right now and where we are wanting to go. We need to develop a plan to surface the voices of those who are doing well and those who are struggling.

The board then reviewed data including enrollment, attendance, graduation rate, not chronically absent, freshman on track, drop out rate, discipline, and Oregon State Assessment data.

Review Current Strategic Plan

After looking at five year data trends, the board then reviewed the strategic plan highlighting two sections: teachers/students feeling positive and engagement. Superintendent Fast suggested that we have staff and students fill out a survey to find out the extent to which they are finding joy in learning and being in class to collect this data to create a tangible data.

BUSINESS

Division 22 Assurances

By November 1 of each year, school district superintendents are required by OAR 581-022-2305 to report to their community on the district's status with respect to all of the standards for public elementary and secondary schools. Dayton School District was in compliance with all standards for the 2022-2023 school year.

-It was moved by Christopher Wytoski, seconded by Veronica Palmer, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the Division 22 Assurances as presented for the 2022-2023 school year.

JUUL/Altria Lawsuit Settlement

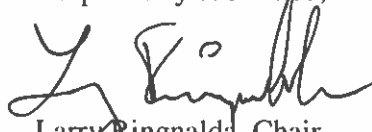
-It was moved by Kraig Albright, seconded by Christopher Wytoski, and carried unanimously that the board authorize the superintendent to resolve the district's lawsuit with Altria Group Inc.


BOARD REFLECTION

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Larry Ringnalda, Chair
Dayton Board of Education


Katie Terry, Board Secretary
Dayton Board of Education

