

Dayton School District #8

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BOARD TRAINING SESSION

Thursday, September 7, 2023

The Board of Directors of Dayton School District No. 8 met a Board Training Session on Thursday, September 7, 2023 in the District Board Room.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Chair Larry Ringnalda called the Board Training Meeting to order at 5:04 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
Robin VanBuren, Director of Teaching and Learning
Katie Terry, District Secretary

Board members welcomes Oregon School Board Association (OSBA) representative Steve Kelley, Director of Board Development, to the board work session. Steve Kelley reviewed the agenda for the training session, which included Communication Protocols and expectations and Roles and Responsibilities.

Communication Protocols and Expectations

The board continued to review the board operating agreement sections of collaborative governance and communication agreements. The board agreed to the following communication agreements:

1. Board members shall follow the chain-of command and communicate directly with the Superintendent when a question arises, or a staff member, student, or community member voices a complaint or concern.
2. Board Members shall communicate directly with the Superintendent or Board Chair prior to meeting of the board to address questions and/or concerns about agenda items.
3. Board members and the Superintendent shall communicate one-on-one, when an individual concern arises, with any member of the board-superintendent team as appropriate.
4. The Superintendent will communicate directly with the board:
 - a. In a regularly established scheduled communication process for information sharing.
 - b. When an individual board member requests information, it shall be disseminated to all members of the board.
 - c. In anticipation of the adverse event or adverse media coverage.
 - d. When a serious incident involving staff, students, parents or community members occurs.
 - e. When the Superintendent has concern about an individual board member.
 - f. When requested to do so by a majority of the board.

Board policies surrounding communication protocols was reviewed. It was notes that individual board members make statements as individuals, not on behalf of the school board.

Roles and Responsibilities

The Board then reviewed what their role is in raising student achievement, reviewing what the role of “governance” (Board) versus “management” (Superintendent). The board reviewed ideas of how to be more involved with raising student achievement, including periodic planning reports to talk about strategic plan progress and specific work sessions to review key systemic data.

The board thanked OSBA Board Development specialist Steve Kelley for leading the training sessions.

The Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Larry Ringnald, Chair
Dayton Board of Education



Katie Terry, Board Secretary
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