

Time & Location:

The December 13, 2023 School Board Meeting and Executive Session were held in the multi-purpose room at Hucrest Elementary, located at 1810 NW Kline Street in Roseburg, available via Zoom.



**SUPERINTENDENT
JARED P. CORDON**

Superintendent Cordon pointed out the countless opportunities students can enjoy to support and inspire their future success.

Collective bargaining meetings have been scheduled with the goal of working toward a strong contract for staff.

Eastwood Elementary and Joseph Lane MS are among the four pilot districts in Oregon selected as pilot sites to study ventilation and energy efficiency through House Bill 3031.

Suggested topics for Board Work Sessions in early 2024 included:

- ◆ Review of mid-year math and literacy achievement data to determine whether we are on track for growth;
- ◆ Review of Accountability Detail reports from ODE;
- ◆ Discussion with Douglas ESD Superintendent Analicia Nicholson regarding services received by the District; and
- ◆ Long-range facilities planning. We received a technical assistant grant to support the development of a long-range

Next Board Meeting:

January 10, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.
Sunnyslope Elementary School
located at 2230 Cannon Avenue,
Roseburg, Oregon
Zoom Link Available

facilities plan that will require Board input and guidance.

Jared also acknowledged Mr. Brett Steinacher, our P20 Coordinator working with Umpqua Community College and local and regional partners as they endeavor to create exciting advanced career pathways for students in the areas of manufacturing and healthcare.

**Welcome to Hucrest School
Home of the Hawks**

Principal Jennifer Thompson led a tour of the school, highlighting the supports provided to students. Mrs. Thompson promotes John Hattie's research and emphasis of ensuring that all staff are moving in the same direction, and truly believing children can learn and succeed. Grade level teams meet regularly to review reading, math, attendance and behavior data to improve outcomes for students. Children are encouraged to be involved, not give up, and strive to be their very best while staff make sure that all students feel that they truly belong and are loved throughout the school day.

**STUDENT AND STAFF
RECOGNITION**

Director Andrea Miner had the pleasure of presenting certificates and McDonald's gift cards to these outstanding students:

- * **Oakley Paulson, a Senior at Roseburg High School;**
- * **Mason Witham, 5th Grade at Hucrest Elementary.**

Vice-Chair Howard Johnson had the honor of presenting Crystal Apple Awards to the following staff members:

- ◆ **Allison Bochart, Special Education Teacher at Hucrest Elementary; and**
- ◆ **Teresa "Tracy" Creamer, Night Custodian at Hucrest Elementary.**

Phoenix Charter Check-in

Phoenix Principal Kat Bierkens was present to update the board on the three established student performance goals. The Board later expressed deep frustration with the report and data.

Action Items

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, consisting of approval of the Agenda; Minutes from November 15; Student Services and Curriculum & Instruction committee meeting minutes; Surplus Items listing; Gifts to the District; and the following Personnel actions:

Licensed Hire Recommendations:

- Sharon Bareswell, Winchester Elementary 4th Grade Teacher;
- Misty Davis, Eastwood Elementary 1st Grade Teacher;
- Rachel Engle, Language Arts Teacher at RHS; and
- Tammi Hausman, DLC Teacher at Hucrest Elementary School.

Resignations included:

- ◆ LeAne Bustamante, Social Studies Teacher at RHS;
- ◆ Kimberlee Danielson, RHS Language Arts Teacher;
- ◆ James Early, Career Center Counselor at RHS (for PERS retirement purposes);
- ◆ Sara Frich, Winchester Elementary Fourth Grade Teacher (temporary); and
- ◆ Terri Richey, DLC Teacher at Hucrest Elementary.

Audited Financial Statements

Vice-Chair Howard Johnson reported that accounting firm KDP CPA's LLP completed the 2022-23 fiscal year audit. No deficiencies or material weakness were found. RPS was awarded an "unmodified opinion", the highest level of assurance attainable.

**Cafeteria Table
Replacement Purchase**

The Board approved purchase of replacement cafeteria tables at an approximate cost of \$730,073 from a surplus in the Nutrition Services fund.

2024-2025

School Year Calendar

The Board approved a 2024-2025 Calendar consisting of 177 student days as proposed by the Calendar Committee. School will begin 9.3.2024 after Labor Day and end on 6.11.2025. Seniors will graduate June 7, 2025.

2023-24 SIA GRANT APPROVAL

Assistant Superintendent Michelle Knee received Board approval for the Student Investment Account (SIA) Grant for the 2023-2024 school year.

Student Leadership Report

Leadership students Hannah Heuberger and Sylvia Eckman shared that with two days left until winter break, students are enjoying Winter Week, with preparations for finals looming! Students enjoyed dress-up days, lunch activities, a raffle and scavenger hunt. Musical talents were showcased in a winter performance of the RHS band in the Rose Theatre yesterday. The latest edition of the Orange R will be released Friday. Auditions take place in January/February for the Spring musical, "The Addams Family". Clay Club's annual pottery sale is taking place this week. Winter sports, including basketball, swimming and wrestling are in full swing. Leadership plans to better support all clubs through Interclub Council by making executive council meetings accessible to any student.

Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2)(i)

The Board met following the Board Meeting to conduct a board/superintendent check in.

**Student Enrollment
11/30/2023**

	2023	2022
Elementary	2,577	2673
Middle School	1238	1257
High School	1627	1607
Phoenix Charter	179	165
Total	5621	5702

School Board:

- Rodney D. Cotton, Chair
- Rev. Howard Johnson, V Chair
- Steve Hammerson
- Ann Krimetz
- Michael Leone
- Andrea Miner
- Andrew Shirtcliff