

**Time & Location:**

The January 10, 2024 School Board Meeting and Executive Session were held in the Sunnyslope Elementary School library located at 2230 Cannon Avenue in Roseburg, and available via Zoom.



**SUPERINTENDENT  
JARED P. CORDON**

Superintendent Cordon celebrated that each January is School Board Recognition Month, and shared his immense appreciation for our seven member Board of Directors who volunteer their time to help children maximize their potential. Our two Board bargaining teams are now working to create employee contracts honoring the work of staff while prioritizing student learning and balancing the district's financial health. Mr. Cordon was pleased to share that while construction continues for fencing, concrete, bleachers and dugouts, etc., the new softball field at RHS is expected to reach completion in February. Upcoming topics for Board Work Sessions will include a discussion with Douglas ESD Superintendent Analicia Nicholson to evaluate services and return on investment; a discussion on racism in our schools and community; mid-year student assessment data and progress updates, and long-range facility planning. Efforts continue to secure a potential sponsor for the RHS sports complex consisting of Finlay Field and the new softball field. With no capital improvement bond, alternative revenue sources

**Next Board Meeting:**

January 24, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.  
Central office board room located at  
1419 NW Valley View Drive in  
Roseburg, Oregon  
Also available via Zoom

must be pursued to allow for major maintenance projects to keep schools operating and respond to emergency needs and repairs. We are working with OSAA to explore a change in conferences (from 6A to 5A) for the RHS football team.

**Sunnyslope Elementary School  
Welcome to the Slope!**

Principal Dan Endicott led a tour of the school, highlighting the areas of support dedicated to the individualized needs of students. In line with the District Strategic Plan, emphasis has been placed on increasing attendance by 10%, English Language Arts by 10% and math benchmarks by 6%. Numerous engaging activities including a Fun Run, Reading Under the Lights and Makerspace Cart have happened this year, with others planned such as Parent Engagement Week, STEAM Night, Forest Tour, Science Fair, Nature Days, etc., to enhance the student experience.

**STUDENT AND STAFF  
RECOGNITION**

Director Steve Hammerson had the pleasure of presenting honorary certificates and McDonald's gift cards to these outstanding students:

- \* **Kameryn Frye, 5th Grader at Sunnyslope;**
- \* **Emmalyn Hurley, 7th Grader at Fremont;**
- \* **Jack Anderson, 7th Grader at Jo Lane MS; and**
- \* **Nicolas Combs, Senior at Roseburg High School.**

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

- ◆ **Theresa Lindstrom, 3rd Grade Teacher at Sunnyslope;**
- ◆ **Olivia Purdy, IA at Sunnyslope Elementary;**
- ◆ **Tracy Grauer, Fremont MS Woodshop Teacher; and**
- ◆ **Kelly Lucido, Fremont MS Office Manager.**

**January is school board recognition month!**

*We hope you will join us in honoring Roseburg Public Schools' Board of Education during the month of January— School Board Recognition Month. We celebrate each of these dedicated volunteers!*

**Action Items**

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, consisting of approval of the Agenda; Minutes from December 13 board meeting; List of Gifts to the District; and personnel actions including:

**Resignation:**

- ◆ Joseph Ausdemore, LRC Teacher at Sunnyslope Elementary, effective at the end of the school year.

**EARLY LITERACY SUCCESS SCHOOL DISTRICT GRANT  
Application for the  
2023-2025 Biennium**

Asst. Superintendent Michelle Knee requested approval for the 2023-2025 Early Literacy Grant Application. Dr. Jill Weber joined her in sharing a review of core & supplemental programs, and interventions and assessments. They detailed district professional development and coaching, extended learning programs, high dosage tutoring, research aligned curriculum, communication plans, student growth assessment, matching funds, along with the 2023-24 and 2024-25 budgets. The application was unanimously approved.

**2024 Budget Calendar**

The Board unanimously approved the proposed 2024 Budget Calendar as presented by Director of Finance & Operations Cheryl Northam, in preparation for the 2024-25 Budget process.

Persons interested in serving on the District Budget Committee are encouraged to contact the office of Superintendent Cordon.

**Student Leadership Report**

Leadership student Hannah Heuberger announced that both band and choir will represent RHS at All State tomorrow. Drama is partnering with UCC to present "Magic of Reading" to elementary students. Auditions take place January 31st and February 1st for the Spring musical, "The Addams Family". RHS Cheer is one of 50 teams competing in Sweet Home. Wrestling competes this week in Redmond; Swim competes here at home on January 17th and basketball games are currently underway. Leadership has welcomed two new advisors, Kristen Miller and Janelle Hubbard. The next round of applications are due Friday for club grants. Planning is well underway for the Arts Assembly which returned last year after COVID. Auditions are scheduled on the 29th and we hope for a great turnout!

**Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2)(d)**

The Board met following the Board Meeting to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.

**Student Enrollment  
12/15/2023**

	2023	2022
Elementary	2,579	2667
Middle School	1237	1244
High School	1615	1593
Phoenix Charter	176	161
<b>Total</b>	<b>5607</b>	<b>5665</b>

**School Board:**

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