



36386 Highway 58
Pleasant Hill, OR 97455
Phone: 541-746-9646
FAX: 541-746-2537
www.pleasanthill.k12.or.us

Commitment, Excellence, Community

**PLEASANT HILL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, January 8, 2024; 7:00 p.m.; Pleasant Hill Community Center

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Stephen Hammond called the January 8, 2024 board meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Vice Chair Drew Gottfried, John Oldham, Rusty Rexius and Jennifer Woodland. Others present were Superintendent Jim Crist, Elementary Principal Devery Stoneberg, Special Education Director Whitney Connolly, Middle/High School Principal Chris Reiersgaard, High School Assistant Principal/Athletic Director Kyle McClain, Middle School Assistant Principal Caleb Salmond, Business Manager Sheri Longobardo and Board Secretary Kimberly Silbernagel.

Drew Gottfried read the Mission Statement.

2. CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Delete 5.4 High School Student Representative Reports.

3. INTRODUCTIONS AND ATTENDANCE

Audience members present were Paul and Darla Dowdy, community members; Marissa Smith, Jeff Bernacki, Sonja and Richard Gunn, parents; Spencer Smith and Noah Bernacki, students; Kyle Ludwig and Zac Tendick, teachers.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public comment.

5. PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION

5.1 School Board Recognition Month

Superintendent Crist presented board members with a certificate of appreciation for their commitment to Pleasant Hill School District and thanked them for their service. Principal Stoneberg read thank you notes from elementary students. Assistant Principal Salmond presented the board with a framed thank you note from middle school students.

5.2 School Counselors Week (February 5-9, 2024) (Resolution 2324.67)

Stephen Hammond read aloud the National School Counseling Week Resolution.

5.3 Student of the Month/Most Improved Student of the Month

- Noah Bernacki was the senior Student of the Month for December. Principal Reiersgaard shared that Noah holds a 4.1 GPA. Noah is involved in band, National Honor Society, and

track and field. He plans on pursuing jazz studies in college. Last summer Noah was chosen to attend the Brubeck Jazz Summit. Noah thanks his parents for their support.

6. ACTION ITEMS

6.1 Approve December 4, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes (Exhibit 2324.68)

Rusty Rexius moved to approve 6.1 December 4, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes. John Oldham seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Drew Gottfried abstained from voting.

6.2 Approve Suspension of Policy CCC (Exhibit 2324.69)

Rusty Rexius moved to approve 6.2 Suspension of Policy CCC, until it is revised or deleted. Jennifer Woodland seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6.3 Personnel Action (Exhibit 2324.70)

Jennifer Woodland moved to approve 6.3 Personnel Action. Rusty Rexius seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6.4 Accept Annual Financial Audit (Exhibit 2324.71)

Kori Sarrett, CPA from Accuity, LLC presented the Board with the financial findings for year ending June 30, 2023. Ms. Sarrett complimented Business Manager Sheri Longobardo and her staff on a job well done.

Ms. Sarrett stated that they looked at ESSER funding for the federal compliance audit and found the district properly accounted for all funds.

Oregon requires that the auditors look at budget compliance, the district's insurance and if public contracting done correctly. There were no issues found.

The board thanked Ms. Sarrett for sharing and congratulated Sheri on a great audit and thanked her for her hard work.

Board member John Oldham inquired about the early retirement program and how many people are still eligible and what the estimated costs are. This information will be provided to the board.

Stephen Hammond moved to approve 6.4 Annual Financial Audit. Drew Gottfried seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6.5 Approve Out of State Trip PHHS Band (Exhibit 2324.72)

The high school jazz bands and jazz choir will take a trip to the Fullerton Jazz Festival in Fullerton, California from April 18-23, 2024. During the festival they will have the opportunity to perform and receive critique from professional musicians. They will also spend two days at Disneyland. Noah Bernacki shared that these big trips are important because they help students make connections. Stephen Hammond and Sonja Gunn both shared that trips like this help keep students in band. They create memories and give students the chance to do something they might not have been able to do outside of school. It also gives students something to work towards.

Rusty Rexius moved to approve 6.5 Out of State Trip PHHS Band. John Oldham seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. BOARD DISCUSSION

7.1 Article – A Guide to Visible Learning (Exhibit 2324.73)

The board discussed the article with Superintendent Crist and the administration team. Topics included expert vs. experienced teachers, visible learning and how our district is using this research to impact teaching and learning outcomes.

8. REPORTS AND INFORMATION

8.1 PHES (Exhibit 2324.74)

Principal Devery Stoneberg shared her report with the board. The elementary school is focused on attendance this year. They are working with families to encourage them to get their students to school. After the first quarter 69 letters were sent to the families of students who were irregular attenders. 14 of those students improved their attendance. Other updates include the 3rd grade class donating \$450.00 worth of toys to Toys for Tots, safety drill week being held the week of January 8, 2024 and Dibels universal screening for reading taking place January 25 – January 31, 2024.

8.2 PHMS (Exhibit 2324.75)

Assistant Principal Caleb Salmond presented his report to the board. Recent events that have taken place were the middle school dance and the band and choir concerts. Mr. Salmond shared the percentage of students with D's or F's by grade by core classes and percentage of students with 90% attendance or better by grade. Upcoming events include Dibels universal screening and targeted Tier II reading intervention.

A discussion was held regarding grading practices. Teachers and administration are having conversations about grade data that has been collected.

8.3 PHHS (Exhibit 2324.76)

Principal/Athletic Director Kyle McClain shared his report with the board. A winter formal dance was held in December. Both boys' and girls' basketball are off to a great start. The wrestling team hosted the King of the Hill tournament. Cheerleading has 17 athletes participating. The Mr. Billie pageant is returning this year on March 16, 2024.

8.4 Quarterly Enrollment Report (Exhibit 2324.77)

Superintendent Crist shared the enrollment numbers for the second quarter ending December 31, 2023. Building totals: Elementary – 457, Middle – 215 and High – 335.

8.5 Quarterly Financial Report (Exhibit 2324.78)

Business Manager Sheri Longobardo presented a summary of the financial report for the second quarter ending December 31, 2023.

9. SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION

9.1 Budget Committee

There are two openings on the budget committee for three-year terms ending June 30, 2026. Applications are available at the district office or on the district website.

10. BOARD COMMUNICATION

10.1 Committee or Community News/Announcements

There were no news/announcements.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

12. NEXT MEETING

- Board Meeting – February 12, 2024; 7:00 p.m.; Pleasant Hill Community Center

13. ADJOURNMENT – 8:54 p.m.

Signed: Stephen A. Hammond, this 12th day of FEBRUARY, 2024
Stephen Hammond, Board Chair