# Notes from the Board Meeting

# **Board Clips**

## May 8, 2024

#### ROSEBURG PUBLIC SCHOOLS

### Time & Location:

RPS and UCC Boards met May 8, 2024 in Taphòytha' Hall (TAP) at UCC, 1140 Umpqua College Rd, Roseburg, and available via Zoom. The RPS board also met in a brief regular session followed by a work session.



#### SUPERINTENDENT JARED P. CORDON

Umpqua Community College President, Dr. Rachel Pokrandt, and RPS Superintendent Jared Cordon welcomed members of the UCC and RPS admin teams, who introduced the current and future roadmap for the P-20 (preschool to college) Pathways Partnership. The team explained that our high school students are able to take advantage of "dual credit" courses where they earn secondary and post-secondary credit while being taught by a high school teacher who has been approved by the college to teach the content. Data supports that dual credit students in Oregon typically earn 11 college credits; are more likely to graduate from high school; enroll in college; and persist to the second term in college.

Roseburg students participating in this program saved \$615,696 in tuition and fees in 2023-24. P-20 Coordinator, Brett Steinacher, shared the exciting plans for adding 9 additional RHS staff members teaching dual credit next year, with 67 courses and 250 potential credits available to RHS students.

#### **Next Regular Board Meeting:**

May 22, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. Green Elementary School 4498 Carnes Road, Roseburg, OR Also available via Zoom

#### **Action Items**

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, consisting of the Agenda; a Surplus Items Listing, and the following personnel actions, effective 2024-25 school year:

#### Administrative Hires:

- Bill Bartlett, RHS **Assistant Principal**
- Kevin Hunt. RHS **Assistant Principal**
- Tim Weber, Learning **Coordinator for Teaching** and Learning

#### Licensed Hires:

#### Eastwood Elementary ---

- Traci Martin, LRC Teacher
- Libby Whited, Fifth Grade

#### Fullerton IV Elementary -

- Mykenzie Brennan, First Grade
- Charlotte Russo, Fifth Grade, a temporary position

### Green Elementary -

Vikki Pennington, • Kindergarten\*

#### Hucrest Elementary —

- Danyelle Hintz, Fourth Grade
- Florence Perez, Fourth Grade

#### Melrose Elementary -

- Keira Breirkreutz, Fourth Grade
- Tayte Church, Fifth Grade

#### Sunnyslope Elementary—

- Melissa Caples, Third Grade
- Kirsten Wright, LRC

#### Fremont Middle School—

- Michael Hoque, Social Studies\*
- Vern Thompson, LA and Social Studies\*

### Jo Lane Middle School-

- Bailey Hibbert, Choir
- Steve Kiepert, VoTech-Woodshop\*

Roseburg High School—

- Kyle Ludwig, Choir
- Conor Nehl, Social Studies
- Hannah Royal, Science

#### Teaching & Learning-

Shannon Grauf, SEL TOSA\*

#### Dept. of Student Services-

- Brenda Cunningham, Behavior Specialist\*
- Catherine Follmar, Home Instruction
- Kylee Patterson, School Psychologist

#### Notice of Resignations:

- Scott Greenhow, Fourth Grade Teacher at Green, retiring after 16 years;
- Cassie May, Science Teacher at Fremont MS, after one vear:
- Andrea Phippen, Jo Lane MS Math Teacher, resigning after 21 years for PERS purposes, and continuing her position in 2024-25;
- Camron Pope, Fifth Grade Teacher at Eastwood, after 12 years;
- Sandy Remington, First Grade Teacher at Hucrest, retiring after 16 years;
- Kaylie Scott, Third Grade Teacher at Green, resigning after two years;
- Grace Tester, STEAM, resigning after two years.

Unless otherwise noted, these resignations are effective at the end of the 2023-24 school year.

### **BOARD ACTIONS, Continued**

The RPS Board reluctantly accepted the resignation of Director Howard Johnson from Board Position No 3. Reverend Johnson held the position of Vice-Chair for the 2023-24 school year. He had chaired both the Classified and Licensed Employee Bargaining Committees for this year, as well as the Finance Committee. The district is deeply grateful for Director Johnson's nearly ten years of exceptional leadership beginning in 2015.

His unique insight and guiding influence will be missed.

With Vice-Chair Johnson's resignation accepted, the Board officially declared the vacancy of Board Position 3.

Notice of the vacancy and the process of application will be posted on the RPS website.

# **BOARD WORK SESSION**

Oregon Dept. of Education 2022-23 ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) Accountability Details Report

In accordance with the District's Strategic Plan, Assistant Superintendent Michelle Knee provided board members with a detailed explanation of how to interpret the extensive student achievement data for children attending our schools. After learning about cut scores and the five levels of achievement, the group reviewed specific reports for Joseph Lane Middle School, Roseburg High School and Phoenix Charter. Mrs. Knee shared the importance of seeing upward trending data in areas needing additional support and improvement.

The board did express concern while reviewing indicator ratings for the charter school, realizing that in the areas of English Language Arts, Math, Regular Attenders, 9th Grade On Track, Four-Year Cohort and Five-Year Completer, each was ranked in the Level 1 category, which means they are below the 10th percentile in all areas being assessed.

### School Board:

Rodney D. Cotton, Chair Vacant Position, V Chair Steve Hammerson Ann Krimetz **Michael Leone** Andrea Miner Andrew Shirtcliff 

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