

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

A Business Meeting of the Springfield School District No. 19 Board of Education was held on June 10, 2024.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Board Chair Jonathan Light called the Springfield Board of Education meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Board Vice Chair Kelly Mason read the following Land Acknowledgement:

We acknowledge that we are in the traditional homeland of the Kalapuya people, specifically the community that was known as Chifin, the area that we now call Springfield.

Kalapuya people, who have lived in this region since "[Time Immemorial](#)", were illegally dispossessed of their land and forcibly removed to what are now the Grand Ronde and Siletz reservations over several years, but most notably in treaties between 1851 and 1855.

The Kalapuya are now members of the [Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde](#) and the [Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians](#), and members of the Kalapuya still live, work, study, and thrive in this area, and continue to make important contributions here in Springfield, across the land we now refer to as Oregon, and around the globe.

This information is shared out of a responsibility to honor the heritage and the humanity of all people and to promote unity within our school district.

Attendance

Board Members attending the meeting included Board Chair Jonathan Light, Board Vice Chair Kelly Mason, Director Ken Kohl, and Director Nicole De Graff.

Excused: Director Emilio Hernandez.

District staff and community members identified included David Collins, Dustin Reese, Brett Yancey, Martie Steigleder, Brian Richardson, Jeff Michna, Kimberlee Pelster, Andy Price, Katherine Sinevir, Jose da Silva, Lesa Haley, Ame Beard, Jerami Wood, Jody Barnhart, Troy Barnhart, Brian Watson, Katie Dawson, Sasha Chang, Alexis DeLuna, Theo Campbell, Patricia Gutierrez, Jenny Cathey, and Sergio Perez.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chair Light asked for a motion to approve the May 13, 2024 agenda as amended.

MOTION: Director Kohl moved, seconded by Director De Graff, to approve the May 13, 2024 agenda as presented. Chair Light called for a roll call vote. Chair Light asked each Board member to indicate if they supported the motion in favor of approving the May 13, 2024 agenda as amended: Director Kohl – Yes, Director De Graff– Yes, Director Mason – Yes and Chair Light – Yes.

Motion passed, 4:0.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Light shared: This is the portion of our agenda for public comment. The board provides three ways for community members to share public comment: written public comment, in person oral public

comment and virtual public comment. Written public comment is received via email. Public comment received via email for this evening has been reviewed by the Board and has also been posted on the District's website. The deadline for submitting a request for oral public comment was today 2:00pm. Those who requested an opportunity to speak this evening were notified by the board secretary about their request.

Time permitting, the board may also hear public comment from individuals who signed up in person at the Administration Office before the meeting.

We encourage groups with a common purpose to designate a spokesperson. If your comments will be covered by a group spokesperson, please indicate so when your name is called. I want to remind those members of the public who have indicated a desire to make comments that our policy provides for a limitation of three (3) minutes per person.

The Board will not hear comments regarding any school personnel. We ask those speaking to refrain from using names and titles of school personnel. Any complaints regarding a particular employee must be processed through the procedure set forth in Board policy KL, which requires that complaints be submitted in writing to the Superintendent. This procedure must be followed before there is any Board involvement with such issues. A compliment involving a staff member should be sent to the superintendent, who will forward it to the employee, their supervisor and the Board.

Speakers are reminded that their public comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.

A3 Sophomore Theo Campbell shared his experience of being bullied at school and the impacts this has had on him. He also offered possible steps the school might take to reduce the number of instances, as well as the severity of bullying.

Parent of Guy Lee Elementary students, Patricia Gutierrez shared her appreciation for the staff at Guy Lee and expressed her concerns regarding the staffing cuts and the impacts those have had in the classroom.

4. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approve Consent Agenda

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| 1. May 13, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes | |
| 2. Financial Statement | Brett Yancey |
| 3. Personnel Report, Resolution #23-24.050 | Dustin Reese |
| 4. 2024-2025 Nutrition Services Dairy, Resolution #23-24.051 | Brett Yancey |
| 5. 2024-2025 Nutrition Services Bakery, Resolution #23-24.052 | Brett Yancey |
| 6. 2024-2025 Nutrition Services Supplies, Resolution #23-24.053 | Brett Yancey |
| 7. 2022-23 Integrated Pest Management Report | Brett Yancey |

MOTION: Director Kohl moved, Vice Chair Mason seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. A postponement of the Consent Agenda, Action Item A7 - The 2022-23 Integrated Pest Management Report.

Chair Light called for a roll call vote. Chair Light asked each Board member to indicate if they supported the motion in favor of approving the Consent Agenda: Director Light – Yes, Director Kohl – Yes, Director Mason – Yes and Director De Graff – Yes.

Motion passed, 4:0.

B. Approve City Tax Exemption, Resolution #23-24.054

Brett Yancey

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the City of Springfield Housing Diversity Tax Exemption.

The Housing Diversity Tax Exemption, also known as the multiple-unit property tax exemption, is an exemption that is set to expire after ten years.

MOTION: Vice Chair Mason moved, Director De Graff seconded the motion to approve the City of Springfield Housing Diversity Tax Exemption.

Chair Light asked if there was any discussion.
There was none.

Chair Light called for a roll call vote. Chair Light asked each Board member to indicate if they approve the City of Springfield Housing Diversity Tax Exemption: Director Light – Yes, Director Kohl – Yes, Director Mason – Yes and Director De Graff – Yes.

Motion passed, 4:0.

C. Approve Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA) Contract, Resolution #23-24.055

Dustin Reese

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the terms of the final year of the 2022-2025 agreement between Springfield Public Schools and Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA), effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

MOTION: Chair Light moved, Vice Chair Mason seconded the motion to approve the Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA) Contract.

Chair Light asked if there was any discussion.
There was none.

Chair Light called for a roll call vote. Chair Light asked each Board member to indicate if they approve the terms of the final year of the 2022-2025 agreement between Springfield Public Schools and Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA), effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025: Director Light – Yes, Director Kohl – Yes, Director Mason – Yes and Director De Graff – Yes.

Motion passed, 4:0.

D. Approve Springfield Education Association (SEA) Contract, Resolution #23-24.062

Dustin Reese

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the terms of the final year of the 2022-2025 agreement between Springfield Public Schools and Springfield Education Association, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

MOTION: Chair Light moved, Director Kohl seconded the motion to approve the Springfield Education Association (SEA) Contract.

Chair Light asked if there was any discussion.
There was none.

Chair Light called for a roll call vote. Chair Light asked each Board member to indicate if they approve Springfield Education Association (SEA) Contract: Director Light – Yes, Director Kohl – Yes, Director Mason – Yes and Director De Graff – Yes.

Motion passed, 4:0.

E. Approve 2024-2025 Revised Academic Calendar, Resolution #23-24.056

David Collins

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the revised 2024-2025 academic calendar as presented.

MOTION: Director De Graff moved, Vice Chair Mason seconded the motion to approve 2024-2025 Revised Academic Calendar.

Chair Light asked if there was any discussion.
There was none.

Chair Light called for a roll call vote. Chair Light asked each Board member to indicate if they approve 2024-2025 Revised Academic Calendar: Director Light – Yes, Director Kohl – Yes, Director Mason – Yes and Director De Graff – Yes.

Motion passed, 4:0.

F. Approve 2024-2025 Designation of District Officers, Clerks, Depositories and Contract Review Board, Resolution #23-24.057

Brett Yancey

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the resolution designating District officers, clerks, and agents, including the depositories for District funds as listed on the attached documents for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

MOTION: Vice Chair Mason moved, Director Kohl seconded the motion to approve 2024-2025 Designation of District Officers, Clerks, Depositories and Contract Review Board.

Chair Light asked if there was any discussion.
There was none.

Chair Light called for a roll call vote. Chair Light asked each Board member to indicate if they approve 2024-2025 Designation of District Officers, Clerks, Depositories and Contract Review Board: Director Light – Yes, Director Kohl – Yes, Director Mason – Yes and Director De Graff – Yes.

Motion passed, 4:0.

G. Approve 2024-2025 Property and Liability Insurance, Worker's Compensation Insurance, Resolution #23-24.058

Brett Yancey

Be it Hereby Resolved, that the Springfield Public Schools Board of Directors renew property, casualty and liability insurance coverage, including earthquake and flood coverage under Special District Association of Oregon for the period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025.

Be it Hereby Resolved, that the Springfield Public Schools Board of Directors renew worker's compensation insurance coverage under SAIF Corporation for the period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025.

MOTION: Director De Graff moved, Director Kohl seconded the motion to approve 2024-2025 Property and Liability Insurance, Worker's Compensation Insurance.

Chair Light asked if there was any discussion.
There was none.

Chair Light called for a roll call vote. Chair Light asked each Board member to indicate if they 2024-2025 Property and Liability Insurance, Worker's Compensation Insurance: Director Light – Yes, Director Kohl – Yes, Director Mason – Yes and Director De Graff – Yes.

Motion passed, 4:0.

**H. Approve 2024-2025 Designation of District Legal Counsel and
Municipal Auditor, Resolution #23-24.059**

Brett Yancey

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the resolution designating District agents as listed on the attached documents for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

MOTION: Vice Chair Mason moved, Director Kohl seconded the motion to approve 2024-2025 Designation of District Legal Counsel and Municipal Auditor.

Chair Light asked if there was any discussion.
There was none.

Chair Light called for a roll call vote. Chair Light asked each Board member to indicate if they approve 2024-2025 Designation of District Legal Counsel and Municipal Auditor: Director Light – Yes, Director Kohl – Yes, Director Mason – Yes and Director De Graff – Yes.

Motion passed, 4:0.

I. Adopt 2024-2025 Budget, Resolution #23-24.060

Brett Yancey

It is recommended that the Board of Directors adopt the 2024-2025 Budget Resolution as presented on the attached sheet.

MOTION: Vice Chair Mason moved, Director Kohl seconded the motion to approve the 2024-2025 Budget as presented.

Chair Light asked if there was any discussion.
There was none.

Chair Light called for a roll call vote. Chair Light asked each Board member to indicate if they approve the 2024-2025 Budget as presented: Director Light – Yes, Director Kohl – Yes, Director Mason – Yes and Director De Graff – Yes.

Motion passed, 4:0.

5. Reports and Information

A. Board Communication and Comments

Chair Light

- Future Agenda Item: Cell Phones in Schools
- Board Committee Reports

Chair Light

Chair Light expressed his appreciation for and acknowledged the amazing work completed by all school departments that contributed to the graduation ceremonies.

Chair Light shared:

- Cell phones and bullying are multifaceted problems, which will require multifaceted solutions. More information is needed and it would be beneficial to hear from administration, staff, and from the Student Voice group.

Director De Graff shared that she had enjoyed the varied programs of the graduation ceremonies she had attended.

Springfield Education Foundation (SEF):

- Had the opportunity to volunteer through SEF at United Way's Bookfest.
- The SEF Grand Giving Tour - \$112,000 distributed.
- June 13th. - Toured the Connected Lane County Spark program.
- SEF is busy planning the fundraiser, Night of 11,000 Stars.
- June 22nd. - The Summer Celebration.

Director Kohl shared his thought that cell phones are neither good nor bad, but feels they need to define what the problem is and also believes the Board would benefit from hearing from staff and students before arriving at a solution.

Director Mason echoed Chair Light's sentiments regarding graduation. She also noted how beautifully decorated the ceremony was, despite the track and the turf field being under construction.

6. NEXT MEETING: June 24, Board Work Session at 5:30 p.m.

Chair Light thanked everyone for attending.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business, Chair Light adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

(Minutes recorded by Trenay Ryan, (LCOG))