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PLEASANT HILL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION AGENDA

Monday, November 18, 2024; 5:30 p.m.; Pleasant Hill Community Center

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Stephen Hammond called the November 18, 2024 board work session to order at 5:33 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Rusty Rexus, Jennifer Woodland and Vice Chair Drew Gottfried, via Zoom. Board member John Oldham joined the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Others present were Superintendent Jim Crist, Special Education Director Whitney Connolly, Elementary School Principal Brenna Fairchild, Middle/High School Principal Chris Reiersgaard, Middle School Assistant Principal Caleb Salmond, Curriculum Coordinator Susanna Williams and Board Secretary Kimberly Silbernagel.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 Data/Assessment and Strategic Planning (Exhibit 2425.109)

Superintendent Crist reviewed the district equity lens and mission statement. He described the purpose of assessment tools in education. Those purposes are data-driven decision-making, tracking student growth and mastery, informing instruction and personalized learning and complements instructional goals with insights on student skills and cognitive abilities.

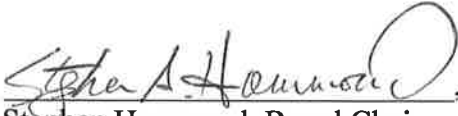
The board reviewed four assessment tools the district could adopt. They are MAP (Northwest Education Association), Star (Renaissance), IXL Learning and MindPrint Learning. A video presentation of each assessment tool was played. Each assessment tool offers different adaptivity, testing frequency, duration and reporting focus. Mr. Crist then discussed integrating one of the assessment data with Studer Education. The district could utilize Studer Education to assist with goal alignment, data monitoring and instructional support. It would also assist with alignment of board goal setting. The board discussed the potential benefits and concerns of each tool. The district currently uses DIBLES, Lexia Core and Reflex Math as assessment tools.

Superintendent Crist recommended that the district move forward with Star (Renaissance) and Studer Education. This would include sending teachers to Junction City School District so that they can learn about the system from a district that is currently using it. Setting up a pilot program and getting feedback from teachers would be the next step. Switching over to these systems would allow the district to have a systematic approach to gathering assessment data and entering the 21st century with the tools they use. A benefit of using Studer Education is that it will connect with Oregon Data Suite. The board agreed that the district should move forward with Studer Education and Star (Renaissance).

3. NEXT MEETING

- Board Meeting – December 2, 2024; 7:00 p.m.; Pleasant Hill Community Center

4. ADJOURNMENT – 6:41 p.m.

Signed:  this 2ND day of DECEMBER, 2024
Stephen Hammond, Board Chair