

Time & Location:

A Board Meeting took place Wednesday, March 12, 2025 at Melrose Elementary School, located at 2960 Melrose Road, Roseburg



SUPERINTENDENT  
JARED P. CORDON



Melrose Student Art

Superintendent Cordon expressed gratitude for our amazing students, staff and community. This month we celebrate Classified Employee Week, and we thank each of them for their invaluable support as we could not operate without them!

Slides were shared of Joseph Lane students learning about broadcasting; of Journey Church partnering with RHS welding students who created a new metal sign; our Winchester students working with the STEAM Team; and Woodshop students creating projects for the DC Home & Garden Show.

Good luck to all five outstanding finalists for the Future First Citizen award at RHS tonight!

Jared shared leadership transitions for the 2025-26 school year, as well as the need to prioritize investments due to increasing costs and reductions in both state and federal funding. Our focus will continue to remain on the long-term success of our students, families and this community.

Next Board Meeting:

April 9, 2025 @ Fir Grove School, 1360 W Harvard Blvd. at 5:30 p.m. for a Public Hearing on Phoenix Charter School Request for Renewal, followed by a regular Board Meeting at 6:10 p.m., available via Zoom.

### Welcome to Melrose School "Home of the Bulldogs"

PRINCIPAL REPORT

Melrose Elementary Principal, Darin Lomica, welcomed everyone and shared the Melrose vision for student learning: *"At Melrose, we nurture our school family with a sense of community and connection. We strive to consciously cultivate a strong academic foundation while promoting an inclusive environment for all."* Literacy, Math & Path to Graduation data was shared, along with the associated goals to advance learning in each target area. Formative assessments, engagement strategies, targeted small group instruction and interventions, and sharing the importance of regular attendance are all tools being utilized to meet goals for building future success.

STUDENT AND STAFF  
RECOGNITION

Director Andrew Shirtcliff welcomed students being recognized by their schools. Honorary certificates and McDonald's gift cards were presented to the following outstanding students:

- \* Kason, Kloxin, Fifth Grade at Melrose Elementary School;
- \* Connor Beahm, Sixth Grade at Joseph Lane Middle School; and
- \* Tyson Juett, Ninth Grade at Roseburg High School.

Board Chair Andrea Miner had the privilege of presenting Crystal Apple Awards to staff members:

- ◆ Sarah Richardson, Nutrition Services Asst. at Fullerton IV;
- ◆ Shannon Ruiz, Fourth Grade Teacher at Melrose Elementary School; and
- ◆ Sunny Stevenson, Kindergarten Instructional Assistant at Melrose Elementary School.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, including the Agenda;

Board and Committee Minutes; Gifts to the District; Surplus Items & these Personnel Actions:

Recommendations for Hire for  
2025-2026 school year:Administrative:

- ◆ Dr. Jill Weber, Director of Teaching and Learning\*

Licensed:

- ◆ Brenda Cunningham, Behavior Specialist, OSS\*
- ◆ Kimberlee DeVries, 6th Grade Math/Science Teacher at Jo Lane MS\*
- ◆ Jennifer Fisher, Science Teacher at Jo Lane MS\*
- ◆ Dean Friesen, Roseburg Virtual School\*;
- ◆ Tracy Grauer, Woodshop Teacher, Fremont MS\*;
- ◆ Shannon Grauf, Teaching & Learning\*
- ◆ Michael Hoque, Social Studies Teacher at Fremont Middle School\*;
- ◆ Steven Keipert, Woodshop Teacher at Jo Lane MS\*;
- ◆ Jill Kraack, PE Job Share, Temporary\*\*
- ◆ Joanie McLain, Melrose Elementary School\*;
- ◆ Diane Parker, Roseburg Virtual School\*;
- ◆ Vern Thompson, Language Arts/Social Studies Teacher at Fremont MS\*;
- ◆ Tammy Withee, RHS Instructional Coach.

\* PERS Working Retiree

\*\* Was Temporary 2024-2025

Resignations / Retirements:Administrative:

- Melissa Roberts, Director of Student Services, retiring for PERS purposes, remaining in her position for the 2024-25 school year.

Licensed:

- \* Nichelle Ellis, 4th Grade Teacher at Sunnyslope;
- \* Julie Steele, Kindergarten Teacher at Winchester;
- \* Libby Whited, 5th Grade Teacher at Eastwood; and
- \* Alicia Wishert, ELD teacher in Dept. of Student Services.

### Resolution 24-25-12: In Support of Federal Reauthorization of the Secure Rural Schools Act

Board members unanimously adopted this resolution to encourage congress to consider reinstating this critical piece of funding in support of our rural districts and counties.

### Phoenix Charter School Check In

Principal Corrie Bernard shared the most recent attendance and assessment data, and confirmed that 9th Grade on Track data presented on Dec. 11, 2024 was incorrect. A Public Hearing for the Charter Request for Renewal will precede the April 9th School Board Meeting at 5:30 p.m. at Fir Grove Elementary School.

Student Leadership Report

RHS leadership students Ryne Wilson and Spencer Bingham shared many activities including the recent ARTS assembly where the Unified team was recognized; leadership outreach with next year's ninth graders; Kindness Week, planning for Prom, funding club grants; an annual auction and raffle, Robotics at state, varsity band excelling, choir concerts and mock trials. Our wrestling team placed 3rd at state with Coach Lander recognized as District Coach of the Year. Nine members of the swim team went to state, achieving some of the highest placements in years, some qualifying for YMCA regionals in Boise. The cheer team placed 2nd at state. Drama's "Mamma Mia" performances were enjoyed by packed audiences, and spring sports are now underway.

Student Enrollment

2/28/2025	2025	2024
Elementary	2535	2580
Middle School	1262	1238
High School	1503	1590
Phoenix Charter	139	166
Total	5439	5574

School Board:

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