



**LEBANON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MARCH 13, 2025, 6:00 PM**

Santiam Travel Station

750 S. Third St. Lebanon, OR 97355

MEETING MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tom Oliver, Chair
Nichole Piland, Vice Chair
Aubree Molina, Member
Clyde Rood, Member
Melissa Baurer, Member

EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Jennifer Meckley, Superintendent
William Lewis, Chief Operations Officer
Steven Prososki, Business Director
Kim Grousbeck, HR Director

The meeting minutes were recorded by Executive Secretary Jessica Woody.

1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Tom Oliver, called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM and led the flag salute.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made.

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REC OR RENEWAL & NON-RENEWAL

Superintendent Meckley explains that the Board Members have received the recommendations for renewal for staff. No questions are presented by the Board.

Nichole motions and Clyde seconds the motion, unanimously, the Board approves the Superintendent's Recommendations for Renewal and Nonrenewal.

4. 2026-27 CERTIFIED CALENDAR

It is noted that the 2025-26 Certified Calendar has already been approved, and the district presents two versions of the 2026-27 Certified Calendars for review, and approval of one version. After discussion, the Board's consensus is to move forward with the 2026-27 calendar where school begins following Labor Day.

Nichole motions to approve the 2026-27 Certified Calendar where school begins on September 8th 2026, and Melissa seconds the motion. All approved, with a unanimous vote, the 2026-27 Certified Calendar is adopted by the Board.

5. SNOW DAYS MAKE UP

Jennifer shares that there have been two snow days, and at this time the instructional minutes are okay if the days are not made up.

Nichole motions to not make up the snow days, and Melissa seconds the motion. All in favor with a unanimous vote, the Board votes to not make up the snow days.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A question is presented regarding policy update JEC, and it is confirmed that McKinney Vento students would in fact be able to register without proof of a physical address.

A question is presented regarding policy update JHCD, and whether this would include a self-carry medication option for students. The Board decides to remove the policy update JHCD and JHCD/JHCDA, and return for second reading in April with further discussion to clarify the self-carry option.

Nichole motions to approve the consent agenda as presented, with the exception of policy JHCD and JHCD/JHCDA and Clyde seconds the motion. All in favor with a unanimous vote, the consent agenda made up of the February 13, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes, First Reading Policy Updates AC, AC-AR, GBN/JBA, GBN/JBA-AR(1), GBN/JBA-AR(2), JBA/GBN, JBA/GBN-AR(1), and JBA/GBN-AR(2), Second Reading Policy Updates GCBDA/GDBDA, GCBDC/GDBDC, IIA, and JEC, new hire Laurie Mala, and temporary new hire Aurora Lakey is approved in its entirety.

12. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Operations

William explains the grants that the district has taken on this year, made up of the COPS grant, TAP grant facility advisory, TAP grant facilities assessment, seismic assessment grant, preschool promise grant, Sam Health Climb grant, RC SWAY grant, mentorship grant, EST grant, and the title III grant. He acknowledges the finance department staff who do an amazing job of managing the compliance that comes with each of these grants.

William further explains the facility advisory grants, and the seismic assessment grant. He explains how the Facility Advisory Committee has been meeting for about a year and would like to address the Board in May with their findings.

William also highlights the completed warehouse project at Seven Oak, and acknowledges Facilities Director Bryan Eilers and his team for their hard work on this project which saved the district immensely on project costs and highly increased efficiencies.

B. Human Resources

Nothing to report.

C. Finance

Steven shares with the Board that the appropriations are continuously in line. He also shares that the MAC Study fall payment is expected to come in mid-March at about 370,000. He also notes that the state school fund estimate has been received with some adjustments that will reflect on the next month's report.

13. COMMUNICATION

A. Board

Discussion between the Board takes place regarding HB 2009 and SB 141, which references a current resolution with a 56-page amendment that signifies a shift within ODE and may take away some local control from districts. The significance of this potential change is presented and it is noted that this change could give the ODE control of up to 25% of the state school fund allocation. Concerns are presented regarding this house bill/senate bill and the timing of it with the potential federal funding changes, as well as the standards which will determine what districts will potentially be targeted by ODE. Further discussion takes place between the Board regarding what could potentially come from the bills, if passed.

The members encourage each other to submit written testimony for SB 141, and since written testimony is closed for HB 2009, they may reach out to the senator and/or state representatives to provide testimony.

Jennifer adds that this information is discouraging and disheartening, and local superintendents are meeting as well to discuss the potential of this as well.

B. Student Board

The student members share that they have started the buddy system program at Pioneer Elementary, which pairs 10 high school role models with 10 elementary students in hopes to build relationship and encourage attendance to help reinforce consistency, while using fun incentives for the students. They also share that they hosted a middle school dance at the high school, for students who maintained at 90% attendance rate and were passing all classes. The student members are also aspiring to remove the requirement for an application to attend Prom, and if the high school attendance rate reaches 90%, all junior and senior students would be able to attend the event. They share their efforts to make this happen. It is also noted that spring sports have begun.

C. Superintendent

Jennifer notifies the Board that the JROTC Military Ball is being held on April 19th at 6pm at the Boulder Falls Event Center, and an invitation has been extended to the Board Members. She shares that she attended last year that it is a great event.

Jennifer also presents Jen's Zens starting by acknowledging the community connections with the Lebanon Optimist Club. She shares that in February, the district had two presentations to the Lebanon Optimist Club. The first to present was the Welcome Center with Sandi Cox and Julie Miller, who provided the information which was shared with the Board during the February Board Meeting. Additionally, four students from LHS's leadership class, including student member Eric Natterer, spoke to the club about their initiatives, including their involvement in Community 101. Jennifer will also present to the club this month about the findings from the Safety and Belonging survey, which were also presented to Live Longer Lebanon in February.

Jennifer also shares that the district's team has spent some time over in Salem during the last month advocating for bills that would benefit the students, and testimony on HB 2307. Superintendent Meckley and Communications Director Michelle Steinhebel visited Representative Jami Cate to discuss HB 2307 and HB 2953. LHS's AP government class also visited the Capitol to experience the legislative process and meet with Rep. Cate.

Jennifer acknowledges the recent winners of the Apple Awards, consisting of Lacombe PE Teacher Ryan Renner, and Cascades BSP Tony Stanley. She congratulates both winners, and thanks Randy Dobson from the Gillott Home Team, for leading the efforts on the awards. She shares that at the Chamber of Commerce's Distinguished Service Awards banquet last month, Randy recognized every Apple Award winner with a shout out from the podium.

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS

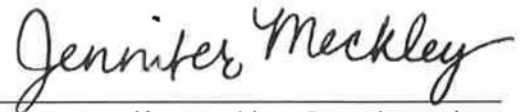
No public comments were made.

15. ADJOURNMENT

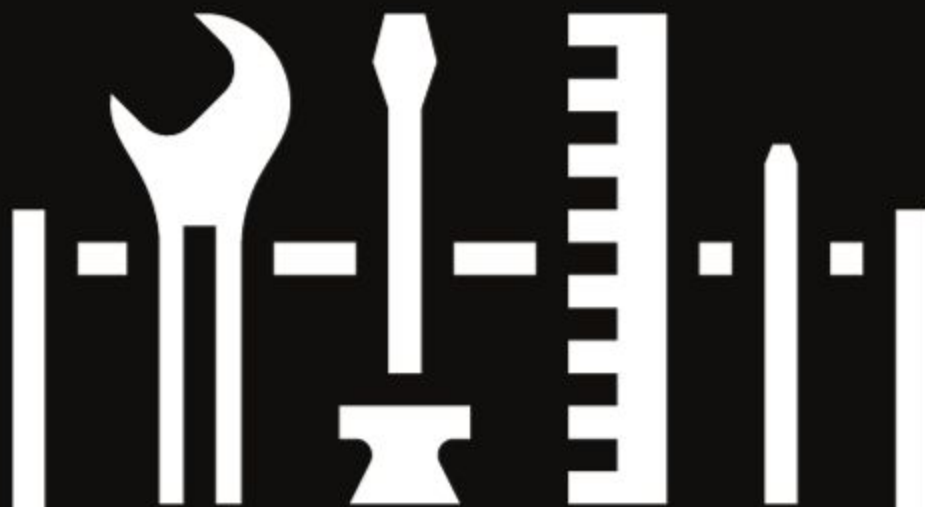
There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.



Tom Oliver, Board Chair



Jennifer Meckley, Superintendent

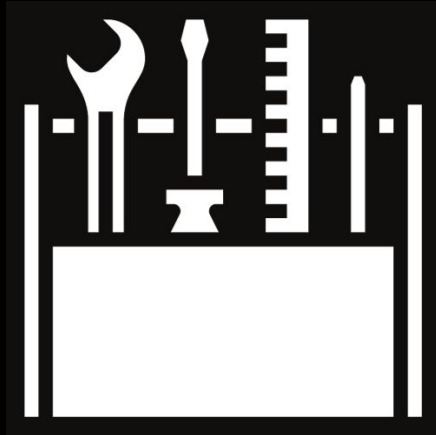


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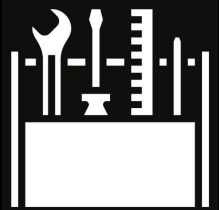


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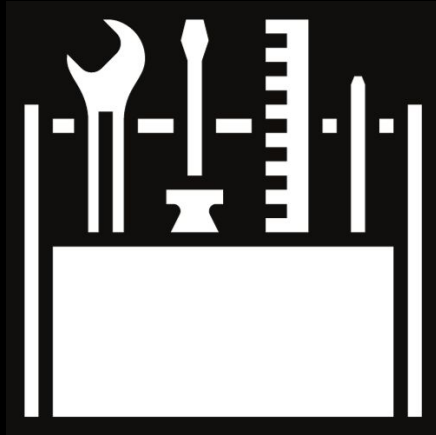


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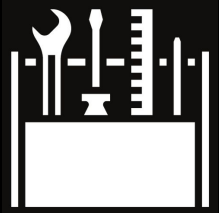


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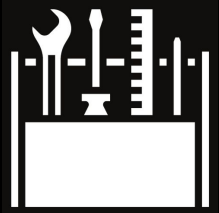


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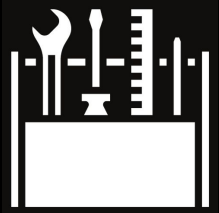
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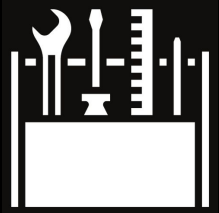
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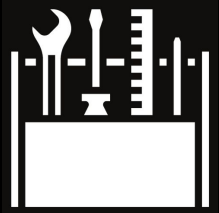
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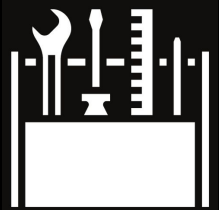
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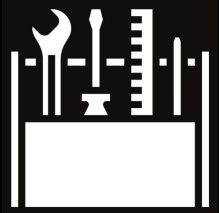
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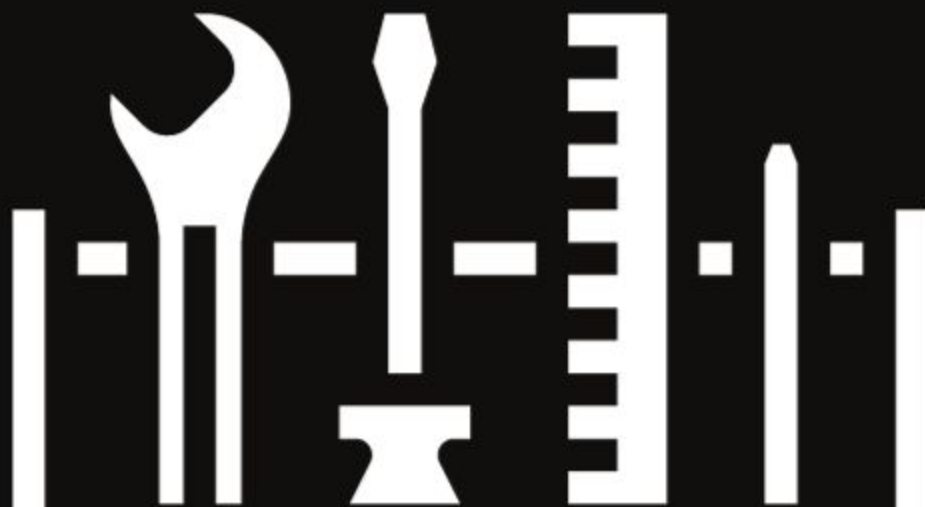
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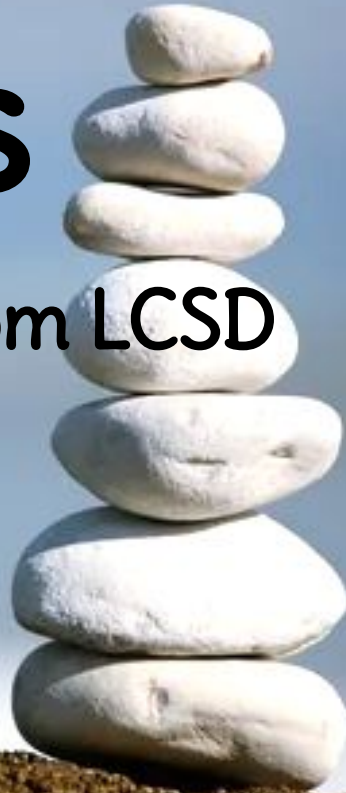


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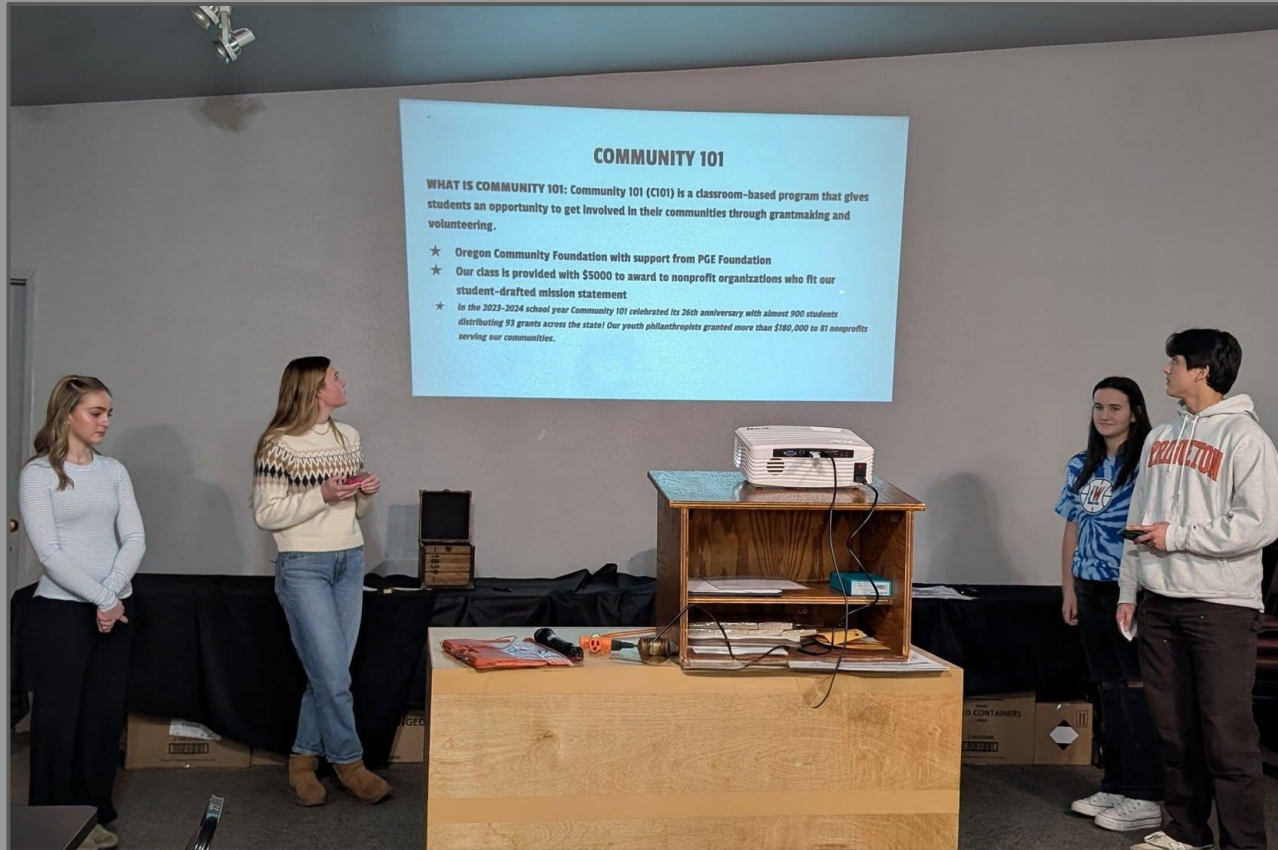
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A Few Happy Stories from LCSD



Community Connections



Legislative Engagement



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Apple Award winners: Ryan Renner and Tony Stanley



Thank you.

