

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE OREGON SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD ON NOVEMBER 10, 2025

The regular meeting of the School Board of the Oregon School District was called to order by Board President Troy Pankratz at 6:30 PM on November 10, 2025 in the OSD Innovation Center at Oregon High School in the Village of Oregon, Dane County, Wisconsin. Upon roll call, the following Board members were present: Ms. Ahna Bizjak, Dr. Caleb Bush, Ms. Heather Garrison, Mr. Natha Hensal, Dr. Mary Lokuta, Ms. Leslie Wright and Mr. Troy Pankratz. Board member(s) absent: None. Administrators present: Dr. Leslie Bergstrom, Ms. Jina Jonen, Dr. Candace Weidensee, Dr. Shannon Anderson, Ms. Erika Mundinger, Mr. Andy Weiland, Dr. Jon Tanner, Ms. Kerri Modjeski, Ms. Michelle Minter, Ms. Dawn Goltz, Ms. Jordan Heilberger and Ms. Katie Heitz.

Proof in the form of a certificate by the Oregon Observer of communications and public notice given to the public and the Oregon Observer, and a certificate of posting as required by Wis. Stat. sec. 19.84 as to the holding of this meeting was presented by Mr. Pankratz.

Ms. Garrison moved and Dr. Lokuta seconded the motion to approve the agenda as posted. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Garrison, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Mr. Hensal, Ms. Wright and Mr. Pankratz. Motion passed 7-0.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Ms. Bizjak moved and Dr. Lokuta seconded the motion to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Approval of Minutes - October 27, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes
2. Approve payments in the amount of \$551,154.99
3. Treasurer's Report: None
4. Staff Resignations/Retirements:
 - Jon Fishwild - 1.0 FTE Science Teacher at OHS - retirement effective June 15, 2026 after 35 years of service
5. Staffing Assignments: None
6. Field Trip Requests:
 - German American Partnership Program to Germany June 15 - July 4, 2026
7. Acceptance of Donations:
 - Abbot Charitable Foundation in the amount of \$4000 to NKE;
 - The Kimball Family in the amount of \$5.00 for a field trip scholarship donation;
 - School Tool Box in the amount of \$720.04 to OMS for proceeds from their online sale;
 - Heather Kleist in the amount of \$25.00 from food service balance;
 - Elena Schinderle in the amount of \$5.00 from food service balance;
 - Rachel Glaza in the amount of \$25.00 from food service balance;

- Health Classrooms Foundation in the amount of \$1000 to S for Bal-A-Vis sets for classrooms;
- Oregon PTO in the amount of \$11,025.00 for RCI classroom and building needs.

8. Approval of New Scholarships, if any: None

9. Approval of Safety Drill Reports, if any: BKE, NKE, PVE, FES, RCI and OMS reports were included in the confidential memo to Board members.

Mr. Pankratz thanked those who generously donated to the Oregon School District and congratulated Mr. Jon Fishwild on his retirement at the end of the 2025-2026 school year after 35 years of service. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes with Mr. Hensal abstaining from the October 27, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes: Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Lokuta, Dr. Bush, Ms. Garrison, Mr. Hensal, Ms. Wright and Mr. Pankratz. Motion passed 7-0.

B. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Superintendent's Report - Student Highlights: Dr. Bergstrom shared photos of recent student highlights. The Superintendent's Report can be found on the OSD website at www.OregonSD.org/board.
2. Public Comment: None
3. OEA Report: None
4. Student Report: Ms. Violet Evans provided the Board with an update on events happening at Oregon High School.
5. Review school community feedback regarding qualifications for a new Superintendent: Dennis Pauli from McPherson & Jacobson provided a summary of the feedback received from the staff, student and community engagement sessions that have been held.

C. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Cancellation of November 24, 2025 and December 22, 2025 Board Meetings: Dr. Lokuta moved and Mr. Hensal seconded the motion to cancel the November 24, 2025 and December 22, 2025 Board Meetings. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Dr. Lokuta, Mr. Hensal, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Ms. Garrison, Ms. Wright and Mr. Pankratz. Motion passed 7-0.

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Committee Reports
 - a. Vision Steering Committee - Ms. Bizjak stated that the next Visioning Steering Committee meeting will be held on Monday, November 24th at 5:15 PM.
 - b. Policy Committee - Dr. Lokuta shared that the next Policy Committee meeting will take place on Monday, November 17th at 5:30 PM in the District Meeting Room and the topic will be Post Retirement Benefits.

E. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Visioning and Strategic Planning: None
2. Teaching & Learning Update - Prairie View Elementary School and Forest Edge Elementary School Goals Update: Ms. Dawn Goltz and Ms. Kerri Modjeski shared an update on the goals and outcomes for

Prairie View and Forest Edge from the 2024-2025 school year, specifically related to OSD Goals 1 (Increased academic achievement) and 2 (Increased learning readiness). They also spoke about strategies we will continue to focus on moving forward. Board members had the opportunity to ask questions.

3. Federal and State Legislative Update: Dr. Bergstrom shared that Governor Evers has signed a new act that requires all public school districts to adopt policies that prohibit students from using personal wireless devices during instructional time and that Wisconsin is the 36th state to pass this legislation.
4. Superintendent's Report - District Highlights: Dr Bergstrom shared many photos and updates from events happening throughout the district. The Superintendent's Report can be found on the OSD website at www.OregonSD.org/board.

F. WORK SESSION:

1. Cell Phone Policy Update: Dr. Bergstrom presented results from a staff survey about cell phone use and distractions in class. Board Members had the opportunity to ask questions and held a discussion.

F. CLOSING:

1. Future Agenda: Discussion was held.

G. ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Garrison moved and Dr. Lokuta seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 7-0 by unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:07 PM.

Leslie Wright, Clerk
Oregon School District