

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE OREGON SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD ON FEBRUARY 9, 2026

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 February 9, 2026 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, Mr. Nathan Hensal, Dr. Mary Lokuta, Ms. Leslie Wright and Mr. Troy Pankratz. Ms. Heather Garrison arrived at 6:32 PM. Board member(s) absent: None. Administrators present: Dr. Leslie Bergstrom, Ms. Erika Munding, Mr. Andy Weiland, Ms. Jina Jonen, Dr. Candace Weidensee 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.

Dr. Lokuta moved and Ms. Bizjak seconded the motion to approve the agenda as posted. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Mr. Hensal, Ms. Wright and Mr. Pankratz. Motion carried 6-0.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

1. Approval of Minutes:

- a. January 12, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes
- b. January 12, 2026 Closed Session Minutes
- c. January 26, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes
- d. January 26, 2026 Closed Session Minutes

2. Approve payments in the amount of \$1,657,931.21

3. Treasurer's Report: None

4. Staff Resignations/Retirements:

- Susanne Daering - 1.0 FTE Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant - retirement effective June 15, 2026 after 10 years of service;
- Kate Christofferson - 1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher at PVE - retirement effective June 15, 2026 after 20 years of service;
- Julie Hutchinson - 1.0 FTE Health Educational Assistant at OMS - retirement effective June 15, 2026 after 18 years of service;
- Elizabeth Ottavi - 1.0 FTE 7th grade English Teacher at OMS - resignation effective March 6, 2026

5. Staffing Assignments: None
6. Field Trip Requests: None
7. Acceptance of Donations: None
8. Approval of New Scholarships, if any: None
9. Approval of Safety Drill Reports, if any: None

Mr. Pankratz congratulated Susanne Daering, Kate Christoffeson and Julie Hutchinson on their retirements after many years of service to the Oregon School District and public education. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Mr. Hensal, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Ms. Garrison, Ms. Wright and Mr. Pankratz. Motion carried 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: Matthew Schultz provided updates to events happening at OHS.

C. ACTION ITEMS: NONE

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Committee Reports
 - a. Visioning Steering Committee - Ms. Bizjak shared that the Visioning Committee's next meeting is February 23rd at 5:15 PM in the Innovation Center Conference Room.
 - b. Policy Committee - Dr. Lokuta shared that the next meeting of the Policy Committee is February 25th at 5:30 PM in the District Office Meeting Room.

E. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Visioning and Strategic Planning: Dr. Bergstrom spoke about the schools completing their goal reports with the Board of Education over the past few months and how those goal reports are all about how the schools are operationalizing the Portrait of A Graduate and the Board's strategic priorities in addition to annual priorities that are set underneath the Board's 3-5 year strategic priorities.
2. Teaching & Learning Update: None
3. Federal and State Legislative Update: Dr. Bergstrom shared that there are only a few weeks left in this legislative session, and that the question that is on the minds of many in education is what should Wisconsin do with the \$2.3 billion surplus that it is currently holding onto in addition to the \$2 billion in the "Rainy Day Fund".
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. CLOSING:

1. Future Agenda: Discussion was held.
2. Check Out: Board Members had the opportunity to provide updates.

Dr. Lokuta moved and Ms. Bizjak seconded the motion to move into closed session, as posted and announced by Mr. Pankratz pursuant to Wis. Stats. §19.85(1)(e). In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Ms. Garrison, Mr. Hensal, Ms. Wright and Mr. Pankratz. Motion carried 7-0. The Board was in closed session at 6:49 PM.

G. CLOSED SESSION (Innovation Center Small Conference Room):

1. Preparing for negotiations with the Oregon Education Association for the 2026-27 collective bargaining agreement and examining possible scenarios regarding health insurance bid negotiations pursuant to § Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(e): Discussion held

H. ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Garrison moved and Mr. Hensal seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Garrison, Mr. Hensal, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Wright and Mr. Pankratz. Motion carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Leslie Wright, Clerk
Oregon School District