

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE OREGON SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD ON APRIL 13, 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 April 13, 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, Ms. Heather Garrison, Mr. Nathan Hensal, Dr. Mary Lokuta, Ms. Leslie Wright and Mr. Troy Pankratz. Board member(s) absent: None. Administrators present: Dr. Leslie Bergstrom, Dr. Shannon Anderson, Ms. Erika Munding, Mr. Andy Weiland, Ms. Jina Jonen, Dr. Candace Weidensee, Dr. Jon Tanner, Ms. Darci Jarstad and Ms. Katie Hetz.

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 Mr. Hensal seconded the motion to approve the agenda as posted. Motion passed 7-0 by unanimous voice vote.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

1. Approval of Minutes:
 - a. March 9, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes
 - b. March 9, 2026 Closed Session Minutes
2. Approve payments in the amount of \$1,883,948.06
3. Treasurer's Report:
 - Ending February 28, 2026
 - Ending March 31, 2026
4. Staff Resignations/Retirements:
 - Mary Ann Grow - Reading Educational Assistant at RCI - retirement effective June 12, 2026 after 26 years of service;
 - Keith Arndt - 1.0 FTE Custodian at PVE - retirement effective June 30, 2026 after 33 years of service;
 - Karen McCormick - Educational Assistant for Early Learning and 4K - retirement effective June 30, 2026 after 18 years of service;
 - Mackenzie Mead - 1.0 FTE Counselor at OMS - resignation effective June 12, 2026
5. Staffing Assignments:
 - Olivia Paukner - 1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher at PVE;

- Brian Johnson - 1.0 FTE Director of Student Services at the District Office;
- Tamara Sutor - 1.0 FTE Assistant Director of Student Services at the District Office

6. Field Trip Requests: None

7. Acceptance of Donations:

- Fidelity Charitable in the amount of \$500 for NKE's Bieno Classroom;
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- Andy Weiland in the amount of \$100 for A-Team Scholarship;
- Candace Weidensee in the amount of \$100 for A-Team Scholarship;
- Anonymous in the amount of \$100 to purchase items for a family in need;
- Heidi Sarnow in the amount of \$10 for John Curkovic's Popcorn Fund;
- Janesville Performing Arts Center in the amount of \$500 for a Jazz Showcase donation to the Band Program;
- Madison Jazz Society in the amount of \$500 for a Jazz Showcase donation to the Band Program;
- Kaitlin and Peter Young in the amount of \$500 for the OHS Musical;
- Michael and Michelle Brusberg in the amount of \$75 for the OHS Musical;
- Renee and Bryan Hoeft in the amount of \$35 for the OHS Musical;
- William Jacobs and Tina Bastian in the amount of \$125 for the OHS Musical;
- Peter Eckhart in the amount of \$250 for the OHS Girls Wrestling Program;
- Oregon Choral Boosters in the amount of \$450 for the OMS Badger Conference Workshop;
- Elena Schinderle in the amount of \$15 for a food service balance donation;
- Jaelyn Campbell in the amount of \$10 for a food service balance donation;
- Amanda and Ben Bartlett in the amount of \$100 for the OHS Musical;
- One Community Bank (Oregon Branch) donated 50 tote bags for student use.

8. Approval of New Scholarships, if any: None

9. Approval of Safety Drill Reports, if any: None

Mr. Pankratz congratulated Ms. Grown, Mr. Arndt and Ms. McCormick on their upcoming retirements and also thanked those that have generously donated to the Oregon School District. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Wright, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Ms. Garrison, Mr. Hensal, 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:
 - Ms. TanyaSorenson spoke on behalf of the Oregon Choral Boosters.

- Dr. Shannon Anderson introduced Mr. Brian Johnson, new OSD Director of Student Services effective July 1, 2026 and Mr. Tamara Sutor, new OSD Assistant Director of Student Services effective July 1, 2026.

3. OEA Report: None
4. Student Report: None

C. ACTION ITEMS:

1. WI School Nutrition Purchasing (WiSNP) Resolution for 2026-2027: Dr. Lokuta moved and Ms. Bizjak seconded the motion to approve the WI School Nutrition Purchasing Resolution as presented by Mr. Weiland. Discussion was held. 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.
2. Issuance of Teacher Contracts for 2026-2027: Ms. Bizjak moved and Dr. Bush seconded the motion to approve the issuance of Educator Contracts for the eligible certified educators for the 2026-2027 school year as presented by Ms. Jonen. Discussion was held. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Ms. Garrison, Mr. Hensal, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Wright and Mr. Pankratz. Motion carried 7-0.
3. Issuance of Licensed Non-Represented Contracts for 2026-2027: Ms. Bizjak moved and Ms. Garrison seconded the motion to approve the issuance of Licensed Non-Represented Contracts for the 2026-2027 school year as presented by Ms. Jonen. Discussion was held. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Bizjak, Ms. Garrison, Dr. Bush, Mr. Hensal, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Wright and Mr. Pankratz. Motion carried 7-0.
4. Issuance of Administrator Contracts for School Years 2026-2028: Ms. Bizjak moved and Mr. Hensal seconded the motion to approve the modifications to the Administrator contract language and approve the issuance of a two-year contract for the eligible administrators for the 2026-2028 school years. Discussion was held. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Bizjak, Mr. Hensal, Dr. Bush, Ms. Garrison, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Wright and Mr. Pankratz. Motion carried 7-0.
5. Health Insurance Contract for 2026-2029: Ms. Garrison moved and Ms. Wright seconded the motion to approve a 3-year contract with GHC that moves to the Better Together plan where the Board pays 90% of the lowest cost plan (Option #2) as presented by Ms. Jonen and recommended by the Health Insurance Committee. Board Members asked questions and discussion was held. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Garrison, Ms. Wright, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Lokuta and Mr. Pankratz. The following member(s) voted no: Dr. Bush. Motion carried 5-1 with Mr. Hensal abstaining.
6. Dental Insurance Contract for 2026-2027: Ms. Garrison moved and Dr. Lokuta seconded the motion to approve a 9% rate increase for dental insurance for the 2026-2027 school year as presented by Ms. Jonen. Discussion was held. 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 carried 7-0.

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Committee Reports

- a. Visioning Steering Committee - No update
- b. Policy Committee - Dr. Lokuta shared that the Policy Committee meeting for this week has been cancelled and will be rescheduled.

E. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. April 7, 2026 Election Update: The OSD Clerk, Ms. Wright, announced the results from the Spring 2026 School Board Election. Mr. Matt Ledbetter was elected to a three year term for Area I after receiving 6129 votes. Ms. Heather Garrison was elected to another three year term for Area II after receiving 6132 votes. Dr. Caleb Bush was elected to another three year term for Area III after receiving 5125 votes to Mr. Josh Kaurich's 2384 votes.
2. Visioning and Strategic Planning: None
3. Teaching & Learning Update: None
4. Federal and State Legislative Update: Dr. Bergstrom spoke about Private School Vouchers and the effects that they have on school district funding.
5. 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 spoke of their time with Ms. Bizjak on the Board and thanked her for her years of service to the Oregon School District and the community.

G. ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Bizjak moved and Ms. Wright seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 7-0 by unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Leslie Wright, Clerk
Oregon School District