**Yoncalla School District**
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**
**February 15, 2024**
**292 5th Street**
**Yoncalla School Board Meeting Room**
**Yoncalla, OR 97499**
**School Board meeting is also available on Facebook Live.**

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| BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT | ADMINISTRATION PRESENT | |
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| Cathey Grimes, Chair | Brian Berry | Kelly Cook -Absent |
| Della Orcutt, Board Chair | Erin Helgren | Cody Reed |
| Fawn Sybrant-Absent | Chelsea Ross | Laurie Simleness |
| Lisa Frasieur | Megan Barber | |
| Twila McDonald | | |

**5:30 PM** **CALL TO ORDER**. Chair Grimes called the meeting to order, then adjourned to Executive Session, under ORS 192.660(2)(a) to consider the employment of a public officer, staff member or individual agent. The Executive Session was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

**6:05 PM** Chair Grimes reconvened and called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. In addition to families, students and staff, Marge Cunningham, Gabrial Rosen, Luke Uhl, Jessica Uhl, Robert Niko, Juliette Niko, Samantha Niko, Betty Heap were also present.

**I. AWARDS, RECOGNITION AND CORRESPONDANCE.** Student of the Month Awards were presented Matthew Slocum, Preston Carnahan, Luke Uhl, Rosalie Cullison, Julliete Niko.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

**II.** **The public is invited to attend board meetings, and will be given a limited time of 3 (three) minutes per person to voice any opinions or problems, except that public or board criticism of personnel of the district will be heard only in executive session. Such items should be brought to the attention of the at superintendent at least 5 (five) business days prior to the board meeting. Public Forum will be limited to 30 minutes.** A concern was shared regarding the district's policies surrounding potentially controversial books on mandatory reading lists. Superintendent Berry shared that if parents have a concern about a particular book, their student will be allowed to use different materials for that lesson.

**III. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA.** Added to the agenda, Consent Item F, Hiring of Trinity Akins as Elementary Instructional Assistant, Item G, Hiring of Milo Rose as Elementary Instructional Assistant, and Action Item E, Out of State trip to New Orleans for NSBA Rural Schools Summit. Director Frasieur made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as adjusted, Director McDonald seconded, passed unanimously.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Minutes of the January 18, 2024 Board Meetings
B. Accounts Payable/Funding Update
C. Hiring of Tellisa Buckler for PT Media /Instructional Assistant at Yoncalla High School
D. 2024-2025 recommendations for Contract Actions.

**2024-25 LICENSED PERSONNEL ACTION**

**The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve contracts as listed below:**

1. **The following TSPC Licensed *probationary educators* are offered a one-year renewal for 2024-25 (*The year below indicates the probationary status for the 2024-25 year*):**

| Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 |
|---|---|---|
| | Jessica Adkisson | George Sybrant |
| | Sarah Ruiz-Weight | Kelly Campbell |
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2. **The following <u>TSPC Licensed</u> *educators* move from *probationary 3 to contract status* and are offered a two-year contract extension for 2024-25 & 2025-26:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Hanna Drennen | Kristy Westbrooks | |

3. **The following <u>TSPC Licensed</u> *contract educators* are offered a two-year contract extension for 2024-25 & 2025-26:**

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|---|---|---|
| Megan Barber | Alauna Bowen | Sasha Cameron |
| Pamela Ciullo | Cara Crosby | Darren Crosby |
| Gerald Fauci | Peter James | Barbara Johnson |
| Alex Kilmer | Jessie McHaffie | Erika Patterson |
| Grant Pearson | Gavin Pike | Carol Robins |
| Paul Staudhammer | Jannelle Wilde | |

4. **The following <u>TSPC Licensed</u> *probationary administrators* move from *probationary 3 to contract status* and are offered an initial three-year contract for 2024-25; 2025-26; & 2026-27:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Chelsea Ross | | |

5. **The following <u>TSPC Licensed</u> *educators* have tendered their resignation as of the end of the 2023-24 school year:**

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| Lisa Long | | |

***(ORS 334.125) Status of board; powers & duties***

(5) The education service district board may employ and fix the compensation of such personnel as it considers necessary for carrying out duties of the board.

***(ORS 342.513) Renewal or nonrenewal of contracts for following year***

(2) Each district school board shall give written notice of the renewal or nonrenewal of the contract for the following school year by March 15 of each year to all teachers and administrators in its employ who are not contract teachers as defined in ORS 342.815 (Definitions for ORS 342.805 to 342.937). In case the district school board does not renew the contract, the material reason therefor shall, at the request of the teacher or administrator, be included in the records of the school district, and the board shall furnish a statement of the reason for nonrenewal to the teacher or administrator. If any district school board fails to give such notice by March 15, the contract shall be considered renewed for the following school year at a salary not less than that being received at the time of renewal. The teacher or administrator may bring an action of mandamus to compel the district school board to issue such a contract for the following school year.

(3) This section is not effective unless teachers or administrators notify the board in writing on or before April 15 of acceptance or rejection of the position for the following school year.

***(ORS 342.895) Contract teacher***

(4)(a) Upon recommendation of the district superintendent, the district school board may extend a contract teachers employment for a new two-year term by providing written notice to the teacher no later than March 15 of the first year of the contract. Any new contract that extends the teachers employment for a new term shall replace any prior contracts.

***Please Note**: A probationary employee must meet the 135 required work days in a year to continue on to the next probationary year.*

E. Hiring of Trinity Aiken as Elementary School Instructional Assistant

F. Hiring of Milo Rose as Elementary School Instructional Assistant

Director Orcutt made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Director McDonald seconded, passed unanimously.

## V. REPORTS

A. High School Principal Report-Chelsea Ross

- NSBA Rural Education Summit Student Representative-Riley Templeton

B. Elementary Principal Report-Erin Helgren

C. Preschool Report-Megan Barber

D. YEPs, Booster Club Reports

E. Financial Report

F. Superintendent Report-Brian Berry

**VI. ACTION ITEMS.**

A. Douglas ESD Local Service Plan for 2024-2025. Director Frasieur made a motion to approve, Director McDonald seconded, passed 3-0, with Director Orcutt abstaining.

B. Early Literacy Success Grant. At the meeting on January 17, 2024, Erin Helgren had shared information with the board and guests about the Early Learning Literacy Plan. Director Orcutt made a motion to approve the Early Literacy Success Grant, Director Frasieur seconded, passed unanimously.

C. 2024-2025 School Calendar. Director Frasieur made a motion to approve, Director Orcutt seconded, passed unanimously.

D. 2024-2025 Superintendent Contract. Director Frasier made motion to approve a 2024-2025 Superintendent Contract for Brian Berry, with an 8% salary increase, Director McDonald seconded, passed unanimously.

E. Out of State Trip. Director Orcutt made a motion to approve the Out of State Trip to the NSBA Rural Education Summit Student Representative, Director McDonald seconded passed unanimously.

**VII. ANNOUNCEMENT-** Board members present discussed the scheduling conflict with March 21, 2024 board meeting. The meeting dates was changed to March 14th, 2024

**VIII. OTHER BUSINESS.** None.

**IX. ADJOURN**. Director Frasieur made a motion to adjourn, Director Orcutt seconded a motion to adjourn, passed unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.