

SWEET HOME SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 55

Sweet Home, Oregon

Board Chairman Reynolds called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Sweet Home School District No. 55 to order at 6:30 p.m. on December 14, 2015 in the District Office Conference Room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members in Attendance

Mike Reynolds, Chanz Keeney, Jenny Daniels, Jason Redick, Nick Augsburger, Angela Clegg, Carol Babcock, Debra Brown absent: Jason Van Eck

Board Attendance

Staff Members in Attendance

Superintendent Keith Winslow; Administrators: Kevin Strong, Ralph Brown, Luke Augsburger, Colleen Henry, Josh Dargis, Terry Augustadt, Todd Barrett, Steve Brown, Mark Looney, Cathy Hurowitz, Cheryl Hicks, Josh Darwood, Courtney Murphy; Certified: Lisa Canaday, Trey Hagen, Elspeth Liermann, Rosie Clifford, Barbi Riggs; Classified: Velma Canfield, Katrina Van Stippen, Jerika Spenser, Delise Rose, Stefani Brown; Board Recording Secretary Julie Emmert

Staff Attendance

Other Attendance

Sean Morgan, representing the *New Era*, parents and grandparents of ESPY winners

Other Attendance

2. ESPY Awards

Every month two students are selected from each school and presented with an ESPY Award at the Board Meeting. The award is presented to students who are doing well academically and have an exceptionally positive attitude about school. They demonstrate respect and responsibility towards staff and their peers. They show courage by not conforming to peer pressure and refuse to accept anyone who bullies. Selections for the month of December are: Foster School – Landon Murry, Kaitlyn Kennedy; Hawthorne School – Sabra Beckler, Alina Joya; Holley School – Shariah Dixon; Oak Heights School – Samuel Barringer, Alexis Hunsaker; SH Jr. High School – Tracy McElhinny, Judah Christman; and SH High School – Justin Tow, Alexis Johnson. Last month's Holley winner Lillian Cheek. Congratulations to all of this month's ESPY Award winners! Chanz Keeney handed out the awards.

ESPY Awards

3. Staff Recognition

Superintendent Winslow reported December's Staff Recognition winners: High School – Julie Harvey- organization of the crisis/tragedy response plan, Jim Kistner- Alt. Ed/GED/CSC working with struggling students; Oak Heights – Joe Sanchez- overall dedication to the Oak Heights family, Stacey Jubb- contribution and leadership to improving the Oak Heights literacy systems while building and maintaining high quality relationships with staff, students, and parents; Holley – Kathi Collins- she works tirelessly to make sure all students at Holley have a great school experience like OSU Discovery days and Oregon Symphony at the Hult Center; Transportation – Chris Ross was recognized for her reaction and response during a bus collision. Allison Keel, the student who was on the bus at the time of the collision, was also recognized for her bravery during and after the accident.

Staff Recognition

4. Agenda Approval/Changes

Chairman Reynolds called for changes and/or approval of the agenda.

Mr. Winslow asked that the resignation date of Judy Thomas, consent agenda item 7D, be changed from January 3, 2016 to December 17, 2015 because that will be her last working day.

Motion No. 15-61: Board Member Jason Redick moved to approve the agenda as presented with change of consent item 7D. Board Member Debra Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Approve
Agenda

5. Public Comments

NONE

Public Comments
Information

6. Student & Personnel Reports/Comments

A. High School Student Representative Report

Esther Gunselman, the High School representative reported on the canned food drive. Students and staff brought in enough canned food and money to make 36 food boxes, help 15 families from the sharing tree and donate remaining food items to SHEM. Due to the large amount of items and money received Mr. Emmert had to wax his legs and Mr. Graville had to kiss a pig.

SHHS Student Report

B. Administrator/Staff Reports

1) Administrators

A. *Terry Augustadt* dressed as a Beaver fan and sang the OSU fight song to the board. Hawthorne had their annual Civil War canned food drive in November for SHEM and Beaver fans won the canned food drive leaving Mr. Augustadt, a Duck fan, dressing outrageous and singing in front of his peers. Hawthorne received a total of 10,357 canned food items and raised \$4,560.00 to donate to SHEM.

Administrator Reports

C. Certified and Classified Representatives - none

Certified/Classified

D. Superintendent’s Report

1) **2015 OSBA ELECTION:** Mr. Winslow shared the ballot that the board will vote on two OSBA positions for our area. The first is OSBA Board 10 – Incumbent Don Cruise and LPC (Legislative Policy Committee) Position 10 Incumbent David Dowrie. Both of these candidates have no one running against them. Mr. Winslow’s recommendation is to vote in the affirmative for both.

Reports Superintendent Report

***Motion No. 15-62:** Board Member Jenny Daniels moved to make this an action item. Board Member Angela Clegg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

7. Consent Agenda

- A. Approved minutes from November 9, 2015 School Board Meeting
- B. Approved Out-of-State field trip for Jr. High Art club to New York City
- C. Approved resignation of Molly Dorris, Language Arts teacher at the High School effective December 8, 2015
- D. Approved resignation of Judy Thomas, Special Ed Teacher at the Sweet Home School District effective December 17

Carol Babcock asked about safety for the kids on the subway. Mr. Hagen explained that they have chaperones that stay with the kids at all times. She wondered about headphones but since there will only be 11 students they should not need them.

***Motion No. 15-63:** Board Member Angela Clegg moved to approve the consent agenda, as presented. Board Member Debra Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

Consent Agenda Approve Consent Agenda

8. Information/Discussion

Information Items

A. Budget Update/PERS/Safety Information

Business Manager Strong reported that year to date spending has increased by \$96,603 driven by higher labor costs off setting savings in lower charter school enrollment. Carol Babcock had question regarding: Youth Transition program, garbage service, telephone communications and Charter school payments. Mr. Strong shared that grant the Youth Transition program is to help fund basic life skill students get jobs when they graduate.

Budget Update Safety Update

PERS – Summary information – Every one percent increase in PERS rates will cost the Sweet Home School District approximately \$110,000 per year. Therefore, a four percent increase will cost \$440,000 annually.

PERS

OSBA- backed bills create path for school facilities funding. Sweet Home ranked 39th out of 197 Oregon school districts on the Oregon School Capital Improvement Matching Program priority list based on a formula that considers assessed property value per weighted student and poverty information. By being among the most impoverished districts in the state based on this formula, Sweet Home would be well positioned to receive matching funds of up to \$4 million from the State if another bond was passed.

OSBA

Safety: Mr. Strong reported that there were no recordable incidents in the month of November.

- B. Staff Members as Vendors: Mr. Winslow discussed board policy DJ and a proposal that would be a benefit to the district in many ways. Now that we have Josh Darwood as maintenance director there are many pieces of equipment that we could use and it would be cost effective to use.

Staff Members as Vendors

There was a lot of discussion about liability, bidding and proposals:

- Angela Clegg asked if bidding and proposals would still be done.
- Carol Babcock asked who would run the equipment and if we are currently using employee equipment. Mr. Winslow said no. Right now we rent the equipment from Lebanon or Albany rentals and our employees run the equipment.
- Jenny Daniels feels that there is a potential for a lot of controversy over this and is not in favor changing the policy.
- Chanz Keeney wondered if we would be getting into a bidding war with others community members.

Most board members were not in favor of this proposal “as is” but would be willing to relook at it later with more information and language of a contract that would protect the district. Mr. Winslow will come back with more information, a sample contract, sample of changed policy and protocol procedures.

- C. Board Policy Revisions - 2nd reading
- DJC-AR – Special Procurements and Exemptions from Competitive Bidding
 - EBCB – Emergency Drills and Instruction
 - EBC/EBCA – Emergency Procedures and Disaster Plans
 - EFA – Local Wellness Program
 - EFAA-AR – Reimbursable Meal Programs
 - JFCF – Hazing/Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying/Menacing/Cyberbullying/Teen Dating Violence/Domestic Violence – Student

**Policy Revisions
2nd reading**

Motion No. 15-64: Board Member Jason Redick moved to approve the Board Policies as presented. Board Member Jenny Daniels seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- D. Budget Committee Vacancies: #4 Cascadia, #5 At Large, #6 Crawfordsville – Mike Reynolds shared the open budget committee vacancies

**Budget Committee
Vacancies**

11. Action Items

Action Items

A. OSBA Elections

- 1. OSBA Board Position 10 - Don Cruise
- 2. LPC Position 10 – David Dowrie

***Motion No. 15-65:** Board Member Jason Redick moved to affirm the two candidates for OSBA Election as presented. Board Member Chanz Keeney seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

Affirm OSBA Candidates

12. Board Comments

Board Comments

15. Late Items

Late items

16. Future Agenda Items

Future Agenda Items

- A. Board Officer Meeting January 4, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. at District Office
- B. Next Board Meeting, January 11, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in DO Board Room

17. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:40 p.m.

Adjournment

Signature, Board Chairman

Julie Emmert, Board Recording Secretary 121415 amind
Meeting was also recorded