

SWEET HOME SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 55

Sweet Home, Oregon

Board Chairman Reynolds called the Budget Committee Meeting, Sweet Home School District No. 55 to order at 5:30 p.m. on May 9, 2016 in the District Office Conference Room.

Board Members in Attendance

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

Board Attendance

Budget Members in Attendance

Kyle Sullens, Miriam Hooley, Kevin Pettner, Brittney Donnell absent: Gerritt Schaffer, Jocelyn Gordon

Budget Attendance

Staff Members in Attendance

Superintendent Keith Winslow; Administrators: Kevin Strong, Luke Augsburger, Glenna DeSouza, Ralph Brown, Steve Brown, Todd Barrett, Josh Dargis, Cathy Hurowitz, Terry Augustadt; Certified: Lisa Canaday, Barbi Riggs, Elizabeth Beckett; Board Recording Secretary Julie Emmert

Staff Attendance

Other Attendance

Sean Morgan, representing the New Era; Jennifer Moody, Albany Democrat Herald

Other Attendance

Welcome and introduces of the Budget Committee members, staff, and patrons

Welcome and introductions

Election of Budget Committee Officers

***Motion No. 16-23** – Board Member Jason Redick moved to appoint the 2015/2016 Budget Committee Officers, nominating Kyle Sullens as Chair. Budget Committee Member Kevin Pettner seconded the motion. The Motion carried unanimously.*

**Budget Committee Officers
Motion to Appoint Chair**

Mr. Sullens called for nominations or volunteers for the Budget Committee Secretary.

***Motion No. 16-24** – Board member Mike Reynolds nominated Kevin Pettner for secretary. Board Member Carol Babcock seconded the nomination. The vote was unanimous, electing Kevin Pettner as Budget Committee Secretary.*

Motion to appoint Secretary

Reviewed Committee Operating Procedures

Superintendent Keith Winslow went through the meeting agenda and briefly reviewed the Budget Committee Operating Procedures and information from the OSBA Budget Committee Handbook

Operating Procedures

Presentation of Budget Message 2016-17 and Budget Highlights

Mr. Winslow read the 2016-17 Budget message:

Budget Message

Budget Message included:

- ❖ Maintaining programs and services that were implemented this past year including all day Kindergarten, additional elementary school counseling time and a full-time School Resource Officer whose cost is shared between the City of Sweet Home and the District
- ❖ Funds addressing school facility maintenance needs such as wireless technology infrastructure throughout the District and two new school buses
- ❖ Funds matching a grant that supports a youth transition program for disabled students seeking employment opportunities
- ❖ Reinstating the student services director position to full-time

- ❖ Funds to implement a random drug testing program for high school students participating in athletics
- ❖ Reducing one instructional position at the high school due to expected lower enrollment for next school year
- ❖ \$250,000 reduction in expenses for the fifth year Accessing College Today (ACT) program
- ❖ Funds addressing structural needs at the Sweet Home High School. We were awarded a \$1,424,700 state seismic grant to upgrade the high school auditorium to life safety standards
- ❖ District has committed \$25,000 in funds toward non-structural auditorium improvements
- ❖ We plan to begin the 2016-17 fiscal year with a beginning balance in seven to eight percent range of total General Fund revenues. We plan to end the 2016-17 fiscal year with a fund balance of at least five percent of fiscal year revenues

Questions and Comments

- ❖ Kevin Pettner questioned how much a new bus would cost. Mr. Strong shared that new buses range from \$120,000 - \$130,000
- ❖ Kyle Sullens asked how much the new drug testing program would cost the District and Mr. Strong shared that we budgeted \$3,000. Mr. Winslow shared more details about the program with the committee. Mr. Sullens also had questions regarding the auditorium costs and Mr. Strong explained that grant money will cover the costs.
- ❖ Carol Babcock had questions about the enrollment reduction and PERS.
- ❖ Chanz Keeney had questions about the long term maintenance fund and wanted to know which fund the new administrator positions will be paid from. Mr. Keeney expressed the importance of the budget committee and encouraged the members to ask questions.

Questions and Comments

Budget Discussion

None at this time

Budget Discussion

Next meeting date, May 16, 2016, 6:00 p.m. in DO Board

Next Meeting

Adjourn 6:07 p.m.

Adjournment

Signature, Budget Chairman

Julie Emmert, Board Secretary 5/9/2016
Meeting was also recorded and saved