

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

**Monday, August 17, 2015
Regular School Board Meeting, 6:30 PM**

Susan G. Rowles Board Room, Administration Building, Oregon-Davis School Corporation, 5998 North 750 East, Hamlet, IN 46532

The Board of School Trustees of the Oregon-Davis School Corporation met in Regular Session on Monday evening, August 17, 2015 at 6:30 PM in the Susan G. Rowles Board Room of the Administration Building, pursuant to the rules of the Board.

1.0 Call to Order

1.01 Welcome - Kurt Hayes. In attendance: Kurt Hayes, Andrea McIntosh, Shirley Budka, Chris Lawrence, Lee Nagai, Becky Berg, Nick Otis, Mr. Briles, Mr. Pletcher, Mr. Bennett, Nikki Salazar, Julie mcLiver, Tiffany Nagai

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance - Lee Nagai

1.03 Recognition of Visitors - Starke County Farm Bureau, represented by Tiffany Nagai, presented the school with a check for \$500 to fund the third grade field to Fair Oaks Farm.

2.0 Consent Agenda

2.01 Agenda - August 17, 2015

2.02 Minutes - July 20, 2015

2.03 Financial Reports - Appropriation Report, Fund Report, Deduction Checks Posting Report

2.04 Vendor Claims - \$265,959.68

2.05 Payroll Claims - \$208,610.88

2.06 Programs - Mid-Term Graduation Request

2.07 Resignations and Non-Renewals - Morgan Slabaugh-Elementary; Janie Duncan-Elementary Cafeteria Assistant

2.08 Retirement - None

2.09 Employment and Transfers - Elementary Extra-Curricular Positions as listed; Elizabeth Byers Jr/Sr HS Dishwasher; Special Needs Aides - Christie Bottorff and Dawn Bennett; 6th Grade Teacher - Amanda Schmeltz; Spanish/World Language Teacher - Margarita Bope; Kassondra Lonigro - Cafeteria Asst/Elementary Cashier; PLTW/RTI Teacher - Kim Bachert; Special Needs Aide - Sherri Wilson; Jr. High and Varsity Cross Country - Bianca Ash; Jr. High Volleyball Coach - Maggie Vogel; JV Volleyball Coach - Kim Kennedy; 6th Grade Volleyball

Coach - Elisabeth Caudill; Speech Language Pathologist - Kathy Kroemer; Jr. High Extra Curricular Positions as listed.

2.10 Leave Requests and Field Trip Requests - None

2.11 Use of Facilities - SCYC-HS August 8-May20, 2016; Starke Co. Documentary Group - HS Cafeteria, August 13, 2015; Request by Mabel Paul for a bus and a driver to go to the State Fair.

Motion to approve was made by Mrs. Budka, seconded by Mr. Nagai. Motion passed 5-0.

3.0 Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Recommendation to move October Board Meeting from October 19 to October 12, 2015.

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai, seconded by Mrs. McIntosh. This move is being made because the 19th is Fall Break, to not prevent anyone wanting to attend the meeting changing travel plans for Fall Break. Motion passed 5-0.

3.02 Approval of date change on 2016 Budget Schedule

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Mr. Nagai. To update the budget schedule with the October Board Meeting change. Motion passed 5-0.

3.03 Discussion/Review of the 2016 Corporation budgetary procedures as they relate to the General Fund, Capital Projects Fund (3-year plan), Transportation Fund (operation plan), Transportation Fund (12-year school bus replacement plan), Debt Service Fund, Retirement/Severance Bond Debt Service Fund, Referendum Fund/Exempt Operating, Rainy Day Fund.
Consideration of Authorization to Publish 2016 Budget.

Motion was made by Mr. Nagai, seconded by Mr. Lawrence. Mr. Briles passed out packets to the board members and discussed each fund and what is being advertised. His goal is to keep the tax rate below 95 cents this year. Motion passed 5-0.

3.04 Proposal to create a new extra-curricular group, S.W.A.G. at the Jr/Sr High School.

Motion was made by Mr. Nagai, seconded by Mrs. McIntosh. This is a group Students Who Achieve Greatness, proposed as a new club centered on student service to community. The students that approached Mr. Pletcher with the idea are in 8th grade and would like it to be a club to help in the community. The sponsor is Mr. Ash and they already have a president and treasurer selected. Motion passed 5-0.

4.0 Other Business Items

4.01 Review of Tap System—this was not a item to vote on just an information item for the board members on the evaluations that occurred at the Jr/Sr High School and Elementary Schools. Both principals did very well and were commended.

5.0 Curriculum

6.0 Informational Agenda Items

6.01 Superintendent/Principal Reports - Mr. Briles said they are working on the Safety Grant for next year if they have any suggestions of ideas to look at. Indiana School Board Association meetings will be September 28th & 29th. School is off to a great start, enrollment is where we need to be, teachers are all hired, buildings were ready to go. Custodial work was cut 2 weeks short due to the balanced calendar but they did a great job getting things ready. We have not had any negative comments in regards to the balanced calendar.

Mr. Bennett—elementary is up (308-310), Kindergarten is up 14 of those from out of our district. The staff is doing well, things are going smoothly. Mrs. Wieger has been helping in the cafeteria until our person starts in there. Mrs. Stone has started in PLTW and Mrs. Bachert will be starting this week. The board will be kept up to date on what projects they are working on.

Mr. Pletcher—the Jr/Sr high school is off to a good start. The Zone from Plymouth stopped by and made a \$250 donation to the athletic department and encourages students to come use their facilities. They have batting cages and basketball courts available to use. We had good participation in the Yellowstone Festival this past weekend with Ms. Lester having the band march in the parade. Staff and students worked on a photo op board and information on a hobo camp. Mr. Pletcher said he cannot thank the staff enough that came and helped with that. Hannah Clark organized a rainbow splash run and had over 75 participants and raised over \$2000 for SCYC. Our own Zoe Seese was named Miss Yellowstone Trail Queen. Mr. Estok is working on an athletic department website that will be linked to the school’s website.

6.02 Board Member Reports - Mr. Nagai thanked the band for participating this past weekend and commended Ms. Lester for the work she is doing with the band. Mrs. McIntosh thanked the staff for the Open House, she felt it was very successful.

6.03 Staff Member Reports - Mr. Briles did mention that Nikki has done a great deal of work on the budget this year. He wanted to commend her on the work that she has done.

6.04 Requested Visitor Participation - none

6.04 Adjournment - A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Nagai and seconded by Mr. Lawrence. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:14 pm.

Shirley Budka, Secretary

Minutes recorded by Julie McLiver

