

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

Monday, February 8, 2016
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, February 8, 2016 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 by Chris Lawrence. In attendance: Chris Lawrence, Shirley Budka, Andrea McIntosh, Jim Dermody, Lee Nagai, Tim Pletcher, Bill Bennett, Nikki Salazar, Rebecca Berg, Jeff Wringer, Ed Hasnerl (WKVI), Ron Henigsmith, Brenda Miller, Julie McLiver. Absent from the board: Kurt Hayes.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance - Shirley Budka

1.03 Recognition of Visitors

2.0 Consent Agenda

2.01 Agenda - February 8, 2016

2.02 Minutes - January 11, 2016

2.03 Financial Reports - Appropriations, Fund, Deduction Checks Posting

2.04 Vendor Claims - \$353,383.11

2.05 Payroll Claims - \$242,556.16

2.06 Programs - None

2.07 Resignations and Non-Renewals - None

2.08 Retirement - None

2.09 Employment and Transfers - Jaime Hardesty, Elementary Cafeteria Assistant/Assistant Dishwasher/Server

2.10 Leave Requests and Field Trip Requests

Leave Requests

1/19 Maggie Vogel, Tim Pletcher, Bill Bennett, Sarah Alan, Jodi Pucel, Robert Klinedinst
ISTEP + Math Workshop, Knox, IN
1/20 Amy Budka, Shakespeare Workshop, Notre Dame
1/26 Bill Bennett, April Max, Lisa Glennon, Robert Klinedinst, Tim Pletcher, Maggie
Vogel, Textbook Caravan, Plymouth, IN
1/27 Greg Estok, Sectional Meeting, Hebron, IN
2/11 Bianca Ash, Hannah Shipley IEP Discussion, Knox, IN
2/16 Tim Pletcher, PSAT/NMSQT Data Workshop, Mishawaka, IN
3/2-4 Amy Borkholder, Elizabeth Cooper, Pre-K & Kdg. Conf., Schaumburg, IL
Field Trips
5/18 Grade 5, Shedd Aquarium, Chicago, IL

2.11 Use of Facilities - 2/27, 3/13 & 3/26, O-D Summer League, main entrance lobby-summer league sign-ups

Motion to approve Consent Agenda was made by Mrs. Budka with Mrs McIntosh seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

3.0 Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Consideration of approving Resolution 01-16, transfer of monies to Rainy Day Fund

Motion was made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mrs. Budka. Oregon-Davis School Corporation has a goal to build up its Rainy Day Fund and it has the opportunity to do so. Resolution has been approved by Mr. Kaminski. Motion passed 4-0.

At this time Mr. Lawrence asked for a motion to suspend the Board Meeting. Motion was made by Mrs. Budka with Mr. Nagai seconding. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Lawrence then asked for a motion to open a Public Hearing on the resolution to amend the Capital Projects Fund Plan. Motion was made by Mr. Nagai with Mrs. McIntosh seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0. This was necessary to correct a typographical error that the State Board of Accounts pointed out on the Capital Projects Fund Plan. This does not effect any budget processes but it is a correction of a form.

Mr. Lawrence then asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing. Motion was made by Mr. Nagai and seconded by Mrs. Budka. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Lawrence then asked for a motion to re-enter public meeting. Motion was made by Mr Nagai and seconded by Mrs. Budka. Motion passed 4-0.

3.02 Consideration of approving Resolution to adopt 2016 Amended Capital Projects Fund Plan

Motion to approve was made by Mr Nagai with Mrs. McIntosh seconding. Motion passed 4-0.

3.03 Consideration to approve Senior Class Trip to Orlando, Florida

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai, seconded by Mrs. Budka. Trip is April 20-25 and two chaperones are already in place with another one as a possibility. Motion passed 4-0.

3.04 Recommendation to approve roofing repairs by Lawmasters, Inc.

Motion made by Mr. Nagai with Mrs. McIntosh seconding this motion. This is to repair the dome. A Fort Wayne company coordinated and submitted the bids. This is the low bid. Mr. Taylor reported that this company does a good job of supervising the work. It should not impact any events and will be a rapid process, perhaps a ten-day period at the most. This will be in the summertime, probably mid-June. Funding for this project comes from Capital Projects Fund and was budgeted for and in the Capital Projects Fund Plan. Motion passed 4-0.

3.05 Recommendation to approve participation in Project Attend Starke County

Motion made by Mr. Nagai, seconded by Mrs. Budka. This is a partnership between Child Protective Services, Starke County Probation, and the three public school districts in Starke County. This helps to unify the family, the school and the legal system to encourage students to attend school every day. Motion passed 4-0.

3.06 Recommendation to approve 2016-2017 School Calendar

Motion made by Mr. Nagai, seconded by Mrs. McIntosh. This calendar is linked with Jesse, Knox and North Judson to coordinate our schedules. Mr. Dermody explained that there is a PSAT test scheduled for October 19th. The state will pay for that test on October 19th while we are out on break. The DOE has said that they feel very confident that they will reimburse the test costs on November 2nd. If the schools do not get the assurance in writing, that the test will be covered on November 2nd, Oregon-Davis will roll back the break week to the 10th-14th and adjust parent teacher conferences. The other request was to make the 12th and 13th parent teacher conferences instead of the 11th and 12th. The board had two choices to approve, with the knowledge that adjustments could be made in the future, or table it until next month.

After the discussion Mr. Lawrence asked for a motion to table this item. Mrs. McIntosh made this motion and Mr. Nagai seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

4.0 Other Business Items

5.0 Informational Agenda Items

5.01 Superintendent/Principal Reports - Mr. Pletcher gave an update on the students at the Crossing. Currently Oregon-Davis is sponsoring eight students at the Crossing. Students are making progress in this self-paced program and the Crossing goes to great lengths to help students that are experiencing hardships with rides, etc. Sponsorship means that the student remains on Oregon-Davis records for reporting purposes, the corporation collects the funds and pays the Crossing with a portion of those funds remaining with Oregon-Davis.

The principals also reported on Fall Intercession. The Elementary had 26 students attend, grades 1-6, that were divided into 1-3 and 4-6 classrooms. The focus was on 1/2 day reading and 1/2 day math. For Spring Intercession they are identifying students right now and plan to focus on ISTEP. The Jr/Sr High School had 40 students that attended, 20 Jr. High and 20 High School. For spring they are also identifying students to attend. Their goal is 15 7th graders and

15 8th graders and some 10th graders to help with ISTEP preparation. This is scheduled for April 4-8. Information will be going out to those involved.

Students cannot be counted absent from Intercession because those are not official student days. In the Elementary the students that needed to be at intercession were there. For the Jr/Sr High students that did not attend, students had an alternate lunch schedule away from their peers and then went to a study hall. About half of those students brought their grades up.

The principals then provided the board with a short ISTEP report. While the scores were down, as they knew they would be, the report also highlighted some positives that came from the data. It is hard to compare to past years because it was a new test on new standards. The positive that came from this is there was good student growth. The principals are using the data from this test to try to focus on where they need to improve but it also shows where they did well. This year is another new test and they are preparing now for testing to start again in three weeks.

Mr. John Kohles, the new school resource officer, then briefly introduced himself. He is a current member of the Hamlet Police Dept. and Koontz Lake Fire Dept. and is enjoying getting involved in the school.

Mr. Dermody then gave praise to the bus drivers, Scott Taylor, and Greg Estok for a recent difficult situation that they handled in a professional manner with no disruption of transportation services.

Mr. Henigsmith presented a photograph of the trophy case to the school that will hang in the Administration Building. He also had framed photos for each board member.

Mr. Bennett reported that they are tentatively looking at March 16th for Kindergarten Round-Up.

Mr. Pletcher reported that Regional Tickets are now on sale. There will be a pep session at 1:30 Friday, at the Jr./Sr. High School. There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive on the 23rd.

National Honor Society is hosting a Jump Rope for Heart at the elementary.

5.02 Board Member Reports - Mr. Nagai commended the six students that participated in a music contest this past weekend and congratulated the girls basketball team. Mrs. McIntosh also congratulated the girls basketball team. Mrs Budka thanked board members and Mr. Kohles for checking on her when she was out of town and not at the meeting she missed. Mr. Lawrence also congratulated the girls basketball team.

5.03 Staff Member Reports - none

5.04 Requested Visitor Participation - none

5.05 Adjournment - Motion was made by Mr. Nagai to adjourn. Mrs. Budka seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Shirley Budka, Secretary

Minutes recorded by Julie McLiver