

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

**Monday, September 12, 2022
Regular School Board Meeting, 7:00 PM**

Humanities Room, Jr/Sr High School, 5990 North 750 East, Hamlet, IN 46532

The Board of School Trustees of the Oregon-Davis School Corporation met in a Regular Session on Monday evening, September 12, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the Humanities Room of the Jr/Sr High School.

1. Meeting Opening

- 1.01 Call to Order – by Kyle Hinds
- 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance – led by Kyle Hinds
- 1.03 Roll Call – Kyle Hinds, Ben Lady, Terry Minix, Lee Nagai; Absent: Brandie Ecker
- 1.04 Public Comment – will be taken prior to each vote

2. Consent Agenda

- 2.01 Approval of the Minutes
August 22, 2022
- 2.02 Approval of Financial Reports
 - Deduction Checks Posting Report 8/19/22
 - Vendor Claims 8/31/22
 - Payroll Claims 8/12/22, 8/19/22
- 2.03 Approval of Travel, Facility Requests, Fundraisers, and Donations

Professional Leave

8/26/22, Sarah Lucas, Student Teaching Conference, Grace College
9/19/22, Julia Cole, Suzanne Eli, IEP Walkthrough, Merrillville

Field Trips

9/15/22, FFA to LaPorte, IN for Chapter Relations
9/16/22, Indiana History Studies Students to Trail of Courage Festival, Rochester
9/23/22, Band to Falloween parade, Walkerton, IN
10/3-10/5/22, Grade 6 to Frog in the Bog, Chesterton, IN
10/12/22, 4th Grade to Civic Auditorium in LaPorte for Symphony experience
10/27-29/22, FFA Members to Indianapolis to attend National FFA Convention
11/3-4/22, SkillsUSA Chapter Officers to attend Virtual Fall Leadership Conference
11/11/22, Culinary class to prepare and serve Veteran's Day Meal

11/17/22, Culinary class to prepare and serve Thanksgiving Meal to staff

Facility Use

Fundraisers

9/17-9/30/22, National Art Honor Society, Senior Spot Painting, to purchase new Materials for art room

10/1/22, SkillsUSA Chapter to sell concessions at Auto & Bike Show on campus

10/1-6/9/22, Skills USA to contact area businesses for Corporate Sponsorships to help Fund conference registrations, travel, and lodging

Donations

Donation from Farm Fertilizer for the playground, seed etc. \$833.65

2.04 Approval of Personnel Recommendations

New Hires/Appointments

Ashley Cooke, School Nurse

Kim Saylor and Heather Hunter, Elementary Student Council sponsors

Kris Hinds, Elementary Renaissance sponsor

Danielle Henigsmith, Elementary Yearbook sponsor

Kim Bachert & Elizabeth Megyese, Academic Coaches

Dawn Hayes & Heather Hunter, Elementary Concession Stand

Brooke Patrick, 6th Grade Volleyball Coach

Jr/Sr High School Extra-curricular positions as listed on attached sheet

Brooklyn Pressel, Elementary Custodian

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Mr. Nagai, second was by Mr. Lady.

Mr. Bennett read the names of all individuals being approved. He commented on the generosity of the community in relation to the donation from Farm Fertilizers.

Motion passed 4-0.

At this time Mr. Hinds asked for a motion to add addendum item 3.03 to the agenda. Motion was made by Mr. Nagai, second was by Mr. Lady. Motion passed 4-0.

3. Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Recommendation to Approve 2022-2023 Jr/Sr High School Staff Handbook

Motion to approve the Jr/Sr High School Staff Handbook was made by Mr. Minx, second by Mr. Nagai. Ms. DuVall explained that the changes made were to bring this handbook more in line with the elementary staff handbook. Differences would be due to passing periods, semester testing, etc that only occur in the Jr/Sr High School. Motion passed 4-0.

3.02 Recommendation to Approve the payment for the 2022 Summer FFA Supervised Agriculture Experience Program

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Lady, second by Mr. Nagai. Ms. DuVall commented that all requirements were met. Motion passed 4-0.

3.03 Authorization to Publish 2023 Capital Projects Fund Plan and 2023 School Bus Replacement Fund Plan.

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai, second was by Mr. Lady. Motion passed 4-0.

4. Other Business

4.01 Report from JMA – time was turned over to the engineers from Millies Engineering Group that had prepare a Facility Assessment Report for the corporation. They did a visual observation, reviewing the building and obtaining information from Building Staff as well as the Director of Buildings and Grounds. Mechanical systems were reviewed where accessible. Observations were recored and documented along with field notes nd photographs. They were able to explain what parts of the HVAC system were critical to upgrade and explained several options to the board. The board members were able to ask questions to better prepare for the next step of the project.

5. Curriculum

6. Reports

6.01 Superintendent Report – Mr. Bennett reported that pre-applications for grants with the state for Title 1, 2, 3 and 4 have been approved. The corporation was informed that they have been approved for the Safety Grant. Lazzaro and Vermillion have been contacted to get estimates for the doors that need to be replaced. Raptor has been contacted and administrators will be meeting with them again in regards to the Visitor Entry Checks that they will handle. They will also be returning to fix graphics that are peeling and install additional graphics.

Mr. Ash will be supervising open swim with Riley Ash serving as Lifeguard. This will start after Golf season is over.

Software for the pool scoreboard still needs to be nailed down and that is somewhat dependent on who the swim coach will be and their preferences.

Mr. Bennett reported we are at 500-501 students presently.

6.02 Principal's Report - Ms. Quinn reported that there are 274 in the elementary minus preschoolers. The Hardesty Memorial Endowment donated \$10,000 for the playground. So far students have raised \$2750.00.

Ms. DuVall reported that there are 227 students in the Jr/Sr High. Three students have applied for the Lily Scholarship. College visits are taking place. During Red Ribbon week there will be a convocation on bullying prevention. FFA is participating in Skill-a-Thons. Class Officers have just been voted into office and ASVAB will be taking place on Thursday. Work is continuing with first year teachers to make sure they have the tools and skills to be successful.

7. Board Comments

Mr. Minix mentioned that there has been an anonymous donation of \$1500 for the playground. He asked if the sign at the elementary could be dressed up. The answer is that quotes are coming in to take care of it. Again he said he has heard nothing but positives about the start of the year.

Mr. Nagai asked about getting the alumni contacted for fundraising. Ms. Quinn is getting that list. He pointed out again that we need to be mindful of scheduling in the corporation to try to avoid overlapping activities. He would like to see the new concrete around the elementary sealed before winter. He asked about exterior lights, Mr. Bennett replied this will be addressed in the coming week. He also asked about open gym. Mr. Bennett replied that he will see if anyone is interested in being a sponsor and then they can discuss compensation with OD CTA. He also asked if there is a trip for students in the works to attend trade shows. Students will be attending Manufacturing Day in Knox but nothing else is set up yet. He asked about a follow up on graduation rates. And finally he asked about summer PE credits. Mr. Bennett is looking into this and talking with the Athletic Director so see what can be set up.

8. Future Meetings

8.01 Board Meeting: September 26, 2022

9. Adjournment

Mr. Hinds asked for a motion of adjournment. Mr. Minix made that motion with Mr. Nagai seconding. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:59 PM.