

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION
Monday, January 9, 2023
School Board Meeting, 7:00 PM

Humanities Room, Jr/Sr High School, 5990 N 750 E, Hamlet, IN 46532

1. Meeting Opening

1.01 Call to Order – Kyle Hinds

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance – led by Kyle Hinds

1.03 Roll Call – Kyle Hinds, Terry Minix, Ben Lady, Lee Nagai, Kurt Hayes

1.04 Public Comment – will be taken prior to each vote

1.05 Oath of Office administered previously by Mr. Kaminski to Kyle, Terry and Kurt

1.06 Reorganization of the School Board

For President of the School Board, Kyle Hinds nominated Ben Lady with Kurt Hayes seconding. There were no other nominations. Motion passed 5-0.

For Vice-President of the School Board, Mr. Lady opened nominations. Mr. Minix nominated Mr. Nagai. Mr. Hayes nominated Mr. Hinds. Mr. Nagai seconded Mr. Minix's nomination and Mr. Lady asked for a vote. Mr. Nagai was approved for vice-president by a vote of 3-2 with Mr. Hinds and Mr. Hayes opposing.

For Secretary of the School Board, Mr. Lady opened nominations. Mr. Hinds nominated Kurt Hayes. Mr. Nagai nominated Kyle Hinds. Mr. Lady seconded the nomination for Mr. Hayes and Mr. Minix seconded the nomination for Mr. Hinds. Mr. Lady called for a vote on Mr. Hayes. Motion passed 3-2 with Mr. Minix and Mr. Nagai opposing.

At this time Mr. Bennett asked for approval to appoint Nicole L. Salazar as Treasurer and Brenda Miller as Assistant Treasurer for the Oregon-Davis School Corporation. Mr. Nagai made that motion with Mr. Hinds seconding. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Bennett asked for approval to retain Newby, Lewis, Kaminski & Jones Law Firm as legal counsel with Mr. William S. Kaminski serving as corporation attorney. The contract runs from July 1 through June 30 therefore, Mr. Nagai made a motion to table this item. Mr. Minix seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-2 with Mr. Hayes and Mr. Hinds opposing,

Mr. Bennett asked for approval to allow the Superintendent to serve on the JESSE and Vocational Education Boards. Motion was made by Mr. Nagai and second by Mr. Minix. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Bennett asked for approval to appoint Julie McLiver, Corporation Central Office Secretary, to serve as recording secretary for school board meetings. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai, second was by Mr. Hinds. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Bennett asked for approval to set meeting dates. Mr. Minix made the motion to appoint the first and third Wednesday of the month for Regular School Board Meetings with the option to call Special School Board Meetings whenever needed as determined by the Board President or the Superintendent of Schools. Motion was seconded by Mr. Hayes. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Bennett then asked for approval to set the time of the meeting. Mr. Minix made the motion to set 6 pm (local time) as the time for Regular School Board Meetings, with the option to make adjustments for such things as time change, executive sessions, special meetings, etc. Motion was seconded by Mr. Nagai. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Bennett asked for motion to continue to pay school board members a stipend of \$1000 per year and \$50 per meeting based upon attendance with half payable on or around December 31st and half payable on or around June 30th. Mr. Hinds made a motion to remove all pay for school board members, Mr. Nagai seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Salary for the School Board Attorney was bypassed at this time.

Mr. Bennett asked for a motion to designate the Starke County Leader newspaper for the publication of notices (as per I.C. 5-3-1.4). Motion was made by Mr. Hinds, second by Mr. Nagai. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Lady asked for a motion to add addendum items 2.03 Field trips and 2.04 Personnel to the Consent Agenda. Motion was made by Mr. Nagai and seconded by Mr. Hinds. Motion passed 5-0.

2. Consent Agenda

2.01 Approval of the Minutes

12/12/22 Regular Meeting Minutes

2.02 Approval of Financial Reports

12/9/22 Deduction Checks Posting Report

12/21/22 Vendor Claims

12/29/22 Vendor Claims

2.03 Approval of Travel, Facility Requests, Fundraisers, and Donations

Professional Leave

1/24/23, Kim Bachert, Heather Quinn, Kortney Niswander, Science Textbook Caravan, Plymouth

2/1-4/23, Heather Quinn, Cheryl Minix, National ESEA (Title 1) Conf. Indianapolis

Field Trips

3/22/23, Culinary Class to Fair Oaks Farms

5/13/23, 7-12 Band Students to Indiana Beach, performance opportunity

1/23/23, 8th, 9th, and 10th Grades to CTE Fair in Knox

Facility Use

Fundraisers

2/13-2/17/23, Tri-M Honor Society, Band-a-Gram, to fund Tri-M

1/13/23, Student Council, Homecoming Dance, fund student council

2/10/23, Yearbook, Jr. High Sweetheart Dance, fund yearbook

2/1-2/28/23, Elem. Heart Healthy Challenge, donations to American Heart Association

2/1-2/10/23, Elem. Student Council, Candy Grams, fund student programs

Donations

2.04 Approval of Personnel Recommendations

Brian Earnest, 5th Grade Girls Basketball Coach

Jeremiah Patrick, Jr. High Girls Basketball Coach

Garrett Weil, Boys Volunteer Assistant Basketball Coach

Motion to approve Consent Agenda was made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mr. Minix. Motion was passed 5-0.

Mr. Patrick spoke and said he wants to donate his coaching salary back to the school.

3. Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Recommendation to approve appointment of Heather Quinn to Library Board

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mr. Hinds. Motion passed 5-0.

3.02 Recommendation to approve Resolution to Amend Joint Service and Supply Fund Agreement for Special Education for the Joint Educational Service in Special Education

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Hinds, second by Mr. Minix. Motion passed 5-0.

4. Other Business

5. Curriculum

6. Reports

6.01 Superintendent's Report – A call out for Esports occurred last Thursday or Friday, 22 students showed interest. Almost all events are remote with little travel involved.

Mr. Bennett and Mr. Lonigro will be meeting with Tremco concerning the roof on Tuesday to see what the warranty will cover.

Gym floors evaluation will also take place on Tuesday.

Shelly Simon has completed her bus driver training and Mr. Bennett will be bringing that recommendation to the next meeting.

6.02 Principal's Reports – Ms. Quinn welcomed Jeremiah to coaching and offered assistance from the elementary school.

Diebels testing for K-3 (reading fluency) is going on currently, NWEA testing comparing progress is happening. We have 2 new Kindergartners and have 50 children in Kindergarten now. We also have 2 new preschoolers so that program is holding steady. Playground equipment has been ordered. February will be Kids Heart Month with activities to raise money for the American Heart Association.

Ms. DuVall shared that every senior passed every class for the first semester! Bobcat time has been reevaluated and will now be divided into ability groups, some high ability, some ADHD to meet the needs of students. Also, a sports officiating course has been started that will take place during this time also.

NWEA testing to measure growth starts on Tuesday.

CTE field trip to Knox for the 8th, 9th and 10th graders is open to all of these students, no grade or attendance requirement is necessary for this field trip.

The staff Winter Party will be Sunday. Finally, she wished the Board Happy School Board Appreciation Month.

7. Board Comments

Mr. Hayes stated he is glad to be here, he missed serving on the board

Mr. Nagai asked for the current ADM which is 485. He thanked Mr. Bennett, Mr. Lonigro and whoever was involved in getting the lights working. He also mentioned that during the last election cycle there were some comments made that the school should be closed. He asked everyone in attendance if anyone felt that way and no one did.

Mr. Minix asked about the security update. We have received more equipment from Centegix and the network is ready, we are just waiting for installation. The door project-all repairs have been made that could be. We are waiting on cafeteria entrance doors for repairs to food service entry and two more doors. When weather is warmer the film project will be finished. Raptor is up and running.

Mr. Minix also asked about the parking situation during school events. Mr. Bennett will address this before the next event. He asked about the TV in the High School office. Mr. Bennett said Jami has asked to get it up and running and it will be fixed. He finished by welcoming Mr. Hayes to the Board.

Mr. Lady agreed that the lights look great, people are noticing. Thank you for the playground update.

Mr. Hinds mentioned that people have told him the principals have a lot of energy.

8. Future Meetings

8.01 Board Meeting: January 18, 2023

9. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn was made by Mr. Minix, second by Mr. Hinds. Motion passed 5-0.