

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

**Monday, June 10, 2019
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, June 10, 2019, at 6:30 PM in the Susan G. Rowles Board Room of the Administration Building, pursuant to the rules of the Board.

1. Meeting Opening

- 1.01 Call to Order - by Chris Lawrence
- 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance - led by Chris Lawrence
- 1.03 Roll Call - Chris Lawrence, Annette Ferch, Kurt Hayes, Kyle Hinds, Brandie Ecker
- 1.04 Public Comment - none requested

2. Consent Agenda

- 2.01 Approval of the Minutes - May 13, 2019
- 2.02 Approval of Financial Reports
 - Deduction Checks Posting Reports
 - Vendor Claims \$848,211.28
 - Payroll Claims \$257,475.44
- 2.03 Approval of Travel, Facility Requests, Fundraisers, and Donations
- 2.04 Approval of Personnel Recommendations
 - Retirement
 - Sarah Haddad, High School Spanish
 - Susie Norwich, Speech Therapist
 - Resignations
 - Michael Siwy, Assistant Principal, Athletic Director
 - Hires/Assignments
 - Dawn Hayes, Elementary Yearbook Sponsor 2018-2019
 - Jerry Miller, Math teacher at the Jr/Sr High School
 - Liz Beauchamp, Summer Head Cook for SCYC and Autism Camp
 - Rhonda Cavinder, Special Education Teacher at the Jr/Sr High School
 - Brittany Fletcher, Elementary Teacher

Motion to approve Consent Agenda was made by Mrs. Ferch and seconded by Mr. Hayes.

Dr. Harman suggested that one item from the consent be pulled and voted on separately, the recommendation for Mrs. Hayes for Elementary Yearbook Sponsor.

Dr. Harman addressed a question asked in May about insurance liability with darkened windows or doors in the main office at the Jr/Sr High School. He read an email he received from the insurance company that stated that blackened windows or doors does not compromise the liability insurance for the corporation.

Mr. Lawrence asked for a motion to pull Mrs. Hayes' recommendation from the consent agenda to be voted on separately. Ms. Ecker made that motion with Mrs. Ferch seconding. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Lawrence then asked for a vote on the Consent Agenda. Consent Agenda was approved by a vote of 5-0.

Mr. Lawrence asked for a vote on approving Mrs. Hayes as the Elementary Yearbook Sponsor for 2018-2019. Voting was 4-0, Mr. Hayes abstained.

3. Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Recommendation to move the Board of Trustees monthly meeting to the second Monday of every month. Motion to approve this recommendation was made by Ms. Ecker and seconded by Mr. Hayes. Motion passed 5-0.

3.02 Recommendation to approve the 2019-2020 Service Agreement with the Otis R. Bowen Center. Before a motion was made Ms. Ecker asked if this agreement was different from the one they approved last month. The only difference is the date was corrected to the 2019-2020 school year. Motion was made by Mr. Hayes to approve with a second by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 5-03

3.03 Recommendation to approve the addition of eLearning day language to the 2019-2020 school calendar. The language added was "At the discretion of the Superintendent, an eLearning day(s) may be utilized if needed throughout the school year". Motion was made by Mrs. Ferch, second by Mr. Hayes. Motion passed 5-0.

3.04 Recommendation to approve the addition of Girl's High School Soccer. Motion was made by Mr. Hinds and second was by Mrs. Ferch.

Dr. Harman said there is a stipend in the Collective Bargaining Agreement for girls soccer. There are about 13 girls that are interested in playing soccer this next school year. Some want to do soccer and volleyball. There is a person interested that may be a possible coach and Dr. Harman has been working on a possible schedule for next year. The question was asked what the bare minimum of participants there could be. It takes 11 to play soccer so there would have to be at least 11 girls to have a team. It is possible that if there were just 11 players they would just follow a junior varsity schedule for the first year to start building the program. Motion passed 5-0.

4. Other Business Items

4.01 Discussion of the school start time. Dr. Harman reported back to the Board that even though studies show student achievement improves with later start times and safety issues improve, the location of Oregon-Davis with the time zone line is a problem. Many families work in the eastern time zone and starting earlier could cause hardships for our families. At this point in time with concerns over enrollment Dr. Harman does not feel it would be in the best interest of Oregon-Davis to move the start time earlier and will therefore not bring a proposal to change the start time to the Board.

5. Curriculum

5.01 Report on Summer Programs - Starke County Youth Club started on Monday with between 24-30 students signed up to attend. This will continue until the end of June. Autism camp started on Monday also and will run from June 10 - June 21 and July 8 - July 19. There are at least 15 children participating from all across the JESSE cooperative. Jumpstart will begin July 22 and run through August 2.

6. Reports

6.01 Superintendent Reports - Dr. Harman passed out the budget snapshot to the Board. He referred back to his 8% per month guideline for expenditures. With five months of the year completed that would mean staying at or below 40%. All line items at this time are under 40%.

The next regular board meeting will be July 8 at 6:30 pm. Dr. Harman will be communicating with the Board regarding a special meeting to address personnel issues for either June 24 or June 26. A work session will be held on July 10 at 6:00 pm to do a campus tour and talk about the current strategic plan and update the board on the financial condition of the corporation.

Success Stories - The corporation held jean days for staff during the last few weeks of May to raise money for the Starke County Youth Club. Staff participated gladly and \$779.00 was raised. Dr. Harman thanked the school board for their participation in this year's commencement program. He also read a thank-you note from Susie Wieger for her retirement gift.

At this time Mr. Lawrence asked the board to decide on either June 24 or June 26 for the special board meeting. They decided to meet on Monday, June 26 at 6:30.

6.02 Principal's Reports - Mr. Bennett wanted to publicly thank Mrs. Max and Mrs Weiger, and Mrs. Norwich for the great job they all did at the elementary. He also welcomed Brittany Fletcher to the corporation.

As far as high school reports, Istep scores have been received and are being evaluated.

7. Board Comments

Mr. Hayes expressed his gratitude to the other members of the school board for taking care of commencement and being there when he could not.

8. Future Meetings

June 24, 2019, 6:30 PM

July 8, 2019, 6:30 PM

July 10, 2019, 6:00 PM

9. Adjournment

Mr. Lawrence asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Ferch made that motion with Mr. Hayes seconding. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:02 PM.