

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

Monday, December 9, 2019
Regular School Board Meeting, 6:30 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 Regular Session on Monday evening, December 9, 2019 at 6:30 PM in the Humanities Room of the Jr/Sr High School.

1. Meeting Opening

- 1.01 Call to Order - Chris Lawrence
- 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance - led by Chris Lawrence
- 1.03 Roll Call - Chris Lawrence, Annette Ferch, Kurt Hayes, Kyle Hinds, Brandi Ecker
- 1.04 Public Comment

2. Consent Agenda

- 2.01 Approval of the Minutes - 11-11-2019
- 2.02 Approval of Financial Reports
 - Deduction Checks Posting Reports - 11/8/19, 11/22/19
 - Vendor Claims - 11/29/19, 12/9/19 \$748,608.02
 - Payroll Claims - 11/8/19, 11/22/19, 12/6/19 \$420,252.36
- 2.03 Approval of Travel and Facility Requests
 - Professional Leave Requests
 - 11/8/19, Lisa Glennon, Globe-Stem PD (Science Outreach K-5) Purdue, W. Lafayette
 - 11/8/19, Kerry Bradway, Media Specialist Testing, Ivy Tech, South Bend
 - 11/20-21/19, Kristin Kubacki, In Ag Teacher Training, Fair Oaks Farm
 - 12/3/19, Jerry Miller, Bi County Meeting, Christo's Plymouth
 - Field Trips
 - 12/12/19, Grade 7-8 PE to Plymouth Skate Center
 - Facility Use
 - 12/6/19, 1:00 - 5:00 PM, PTA, Elem Gym
 - Fundraisers
 - 12/6/19, 9th Grade Class, Photo Booth @ Homecoming Dance

12/7-8/19, Girl's Golf Team, Escape Room @ Hensler's Nursery
12/14-15/19, Junior Class, Concessions @ Hensler's Nursery
12/13-12/20, SADD, Elf-Grams @ both schools

Donations

Music Department, Knox Lodge FAM 639, \$665.00
Lunch Funds, Anonymous, \$250.00
Lunch Funds, VFW Post #748, \$500.00
Lunch Funds, Starke County Sheriff's Department, \$400.00
Future Farmers of America (FFA), Farm Fertilizers, \$203.20
Elementary Student Council, Anonymous, \$40.00
Jr/Sr High Student Council, Anonymous, \$75.00

2.04 Approval of Personnel Recommendations Carmen Mills, Special Needs Instructional Assistant

Motion to approve consent agenda was made by Mrs. Ferch, second by Mr. Hayes.

Motion passed 5-0.

3. Curriculum

3.01 Report on 2019-2020 School Improvement Plans - Mr. Bennett reported on the Elementary Plan. There are three main goals they are focusing on, one in language arts, one in math and one for attendance. This is reviewed about four times during the school year. The Jr/Sr High School was identified as a school that needed a comprehensive improvement plan. Mr. Carlin explained the goals are similar to the education with language arts and math goals to increase proficiency and the percentage of students earning high growth.

4. Discussion/Action Items

4.01 Recommendation to approve 2019-2020 School Improvement Plans

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Hinds and second was by Mr. Hayes.
Ms. Ecker had questions on items that needed correction on pages 130 and 122. Dr. Harman stated for the minutes that those items will be corrected in the document.

Motion passed 5-0.

4.02 Recommendation to approve 2020-2021 Course Description Guide, Jr/Sr High School

Motion to approve was made by Mrs. Ferch, second by Mr. Hayes. Mrs. Awald highlighted the changes in the Course Description Guide for those in attendance. The additions allow the opportunity for courses to be offered in the future.

Motion passed 5-0.

4.03 Recommendation to approve Resolution 06-19 for new school board seats

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Hinds, second by Ms. Ecker. Dr. Harman explained that this is the same resolution adopted in October, however there is a time frame that it needs to be published in the newspaper. The Leader has already been contacted and it will be published in the time frame necessary.

Motion passed. 5-0.

4.04 Recommendation to approve Resolution 07-19 for intra-function transfers

Motion to approve was made by Mrs. Ferch, second by Mr. Hinds. This is an annual resolution to allow accounts to be cleaned up before the end of the year. Motion passed 5-0.

4.05 Recommendation to approve Resolution 08-19 for inter-function transfers

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

6. Other Business

5.01 Mitch Semans from Hamlet Lions Club - Mr. Semans was not able to attend due to illness.

5.02 Ron Gifford from Starke County Economic Development - Mr. Gifford made a presentation regarding Economic Development in Starke County. He highlighted the courses offered at SCILL, demographics of the area along with economic developments and issues in the county. Jobs, housing and the time zone continue to be challenges for jobs and schools in the area.

5.03 State Representative Jim Pressel and State Senator Bohacek were in attendance to address the board on some of the challenges facing local schools. There was a good back and forth discussion between Rep. Pressel and Senator Bohacek with the Board asking questions pertaining to school funding. Other items discussed again included jobs, housing and the time zone.

6. Reports

6.01 Superintendent Reports - Dr. Harman passed out the budget snapshot. He stated that the corporation is doing very well with working within our means. In January Dr. Harman and Mrs. Salazar will be providing a financial report in the Board of Finance Meeting.

Four Board members attended the November 18th ISBA meeting at Christo's. Dr. Harman appreciated those members attending.

The next Board Meeting will be January 13 with the reorganization meeting at 6:00, the Board of Finance Meeting at 6:15 and the regular meeting at 6:30.

Success Stories:

Student Council went out on November 20 to rake leaves for a community service day. Students from both schools were involved. Next Monday, December 16 will be our K-6 music program in the high school gym, then on Wednesday, December 18 will be the 7-12 music program also in the high school gym. Both programs will start at 6:00.

Dr. Harman wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a well deserved holiday break in two weeks.

6.02 Principal's Reports - High School: Homecoming was last week. Dr. Harman could not say enough about Pandy Gregor and Jami McDaniel for the activities they organized to involve the student body in Homecoming.

Junior basketball player Mercedes Rhodes reached the 1000 point mark in her career last Wednesday so congratulations to her. Also Terry Minix our girls basketball coached reached his 400th career victory, so we want to congratulate him also.

At the high school, final exams will be Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week.

Elementary: Give it Back Day was very successful. Dollars were raised to help families in need. Mr. Bennett explained that they have recently started using a program called PikMyKid for dismissal pickup. This helps increase security and also helps parents control their child's pickup schedule.

7. Board Comments

8. Future Meetings

January 13, 2020

9. Adjournment

Mr. Lawrence asked for a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Ferch made that motion with Mr. Hayes seconding the motion. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.