

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION
Monday, August 17, 2020
School Board Meeting, 6:30 PM

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

1. Meeting Opening

1.01 Call to Order – Annette Ferch

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance – led by Annette Ferch

1.03 Roll Call – Annette Ferch, Chris Lawrence, Brandie Ecker, Kurt Hayes, Kyle Hinds

1.04 Public Comment - none

2. Consent Agenda

2.01 Approval of the Minutes – July 20, 2020 Regular Meeting

2.02 Approval of Financial Reports

SA5-3 for Jr/Sr High School and Elementary School
2019-2020 Financial Report for Jr/Sr High and Elementary Schools
Deduction Checks Posting Reports 7/17//20, 8/7/20
Vendor Claims 7/31/20, 8/17/20
Payroll Claims 7/16/20, 8/7/20

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

Professional Leave

Field Trips

Facility Use

Fundraisers

FFA, 8/24-9/24/20, Sell the 20-21 Chapter t-shirt as well as previous years t-shirts

Donations

Bellman Oil – 48 cases of water donated for students

Lawrence Lawn & Landscape – Labor to line, aerate and mow soccer field donated

2.04 Approval of Personnel Recommendations

Resignations

Tracy Patrick - aide

Destiny Garbison – custodian
Lori Morris – Food Service
Karlee Marsh – Custodian
Logan Trott – 6th Grade Volleyball
Jessi Danford – 7th & 8th Grade Volleyball

New Hires

Jayden Worthington - volunteer Volleyball
Elaine Zebell – volunteer Volleyball
Andrea Finley – Nurse Assistant
Savannah Sonaty – teacher
Sarah Lucas – teacher
Christopher Donovan – teacher
Tina Green - teacher
Bayli Czarnecki – Elem Food Service
Kassandra Earnest – HS Food Service
Denise Ransom – Elem Para
Theresa Barnes – Custodian
Robert Umbaugh - Groundskeeper

Mrs. Ferch asked if there was any discussion. Mr. Bennett replied to a question that there is still one full-time and one part-time custodian position open.

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Lawrence and second by Mr. Hayes.
Motion passed 5-0.

3. Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Recommendation to approve Authorization to Publish 2021 Capital Projects Fund Plan and 2021 School Bus Replacement Fund Plan

Discussion involved a review of items on the Capital Projects List. On the school bus replacement plan the next new bus will probably be a special education bus.

Motion to approve was by Ms. Ecker, second by Mr. Lawrence.
Motion passed 5-0.

3.02 Recommendation to approve updates to 2020-2021 School Calendar

The calendar was updated to reflect the later starting and ending dates.
Motion to approve was by Mr. Hinds, second by Ms. Ecker.
Motion passed 5-0.

3.03 Recommendation to approve updates to Reopening Plan Document

A brief discussion regarding bus drivers, masks and updates from the local health department and a review of the updates from the Governors executive orders took place. Mr. Bennett also stated a chart was added showing when a student, faculty or staff member could return to school after being sent home. Mrs. Ferch then called for a vote

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Hinds, second by Mr. Hayes
Motion passed 4-1 with Ms. Ecker casting the lone dissenting vote.

4. Other Business

5. Curriculum

6. Reports

6.01 Superintendent's Report – Mr. Bennett asked for everyone to keep Kayla Skaggs and her family in their thoughts and prayer as she lost her father this past weekend.

Mr. Bennett stated we had a great start in person at the elementary and he commended the staff for all the hard work they have put in to make that day go so well. Virtual was not as smooth with a major storm the night before that interfered with power and internet connections and new programs.

Athletics will start this week. Spectators will be spaced out in the gym and traffic will be targeted to limit the spaces used by the public.

The corporation is starting to see in the elementary students switching from virtual back to in-person learning, some of that has been happening in the high school as well.

Enrollment numbers today were at 501.

Bottle refill stations should be coming in this week or next.

An insurance claim has been started as we learn of items that were affected by the power outage due to the storm.

Mr. Bennett said Ms. Quinn is doing an outstanding job at the Elementary and Mrs. Awald at the Jr/Sr High School.

He did recognize Bellman Oil for their water donation and Mr. Lawrence for his labor on the soccer field.

6.02 Principal's Reports - Mrs. Awald explained how they functioned on the first day of school to orient the students to new procedures. Training on Covid, Schoology also took place as well as protocols outlined in the student handbook also took place that day. She said the kids have adapted well to assigned seating, mask wearing, carrying backpacks and using water bottles. She

was very proud of well they have done. The High School only has about 15% virtual (7-12th grade) now.

Mrs. Awald has also been mentoring the new counselor and will be meeting with her once a week after school to help with the transition.

7. Board Comments

Ms. Ecker noted that we did not have an attorney present again and feels it is time to look for another.

Mr. Hinds asked about the process after bond sale. Mr. Bennett replied he has started meeting with them to prioritize projects and they are working on more specific choices and costs involved. The bond money will be invested until the project starts.

Mr. Hinds asked if Baker Tilly would come to a board meeting to discuss the financial situation of the corporation. Mr. Bennett said he would like to schedule a work session for that along with the budget information.

8. Future Meetings

8.01 Board Meeting: September 21, 2020

9. Adjournment

Mrs. Ferch asked for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Lawrence made that motion with Ms. Ecker seconding. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:08 PM