

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

**Monday, February 15, 2021
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, February 15, 2021, at 6:30 PM in the Humanities Room of the Jr/Sr High School.

1. Meeting Opening

1.01 Call to Order – Kyle Hinds

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance – Kyle Hinds

1.03 Roll Call – Kyle Hinds, Brandie Ecker, Lee Nagai, Chris Lawrence, Ben Lady by phone

1.04 Public Comment - none

2. Consent Agenda

2.01 Approval of the Minutes – January 12, 2021, January 27, 2021

2.02 Approval of Financial Reports

Deduction checks Posting Reports

Vendor Claims - \$282,028.04 (1/29/21, 2/15/21)

Payroll Claims - \$226,165.71 (1/22/21, 2/5/21)

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

Professional Leave

Field Trips

Facility Use

Fundraisers

2/17/21-3/3/21, Junior Class, Selling garbage bags to fund prom

2/26-3/26/21, Boys Golf Team, Selling Golf Discount Cards to buy equipment and range time

4/23 & 4/2/21, Drama Club, Spring Production, fund drama club and future productions

3/11-24/21, Band, Selling pre-orer jumbo jelly beans, fund band scholarships

Donations

\$150.00 to the Athletic Dept. to help with cost for live-streaming games

2.04 Approval of Personnel Recommendations

Resignations

Kayla Skaggs

Maternity Leaves

Bayli Czarnecki

Brittany VanVolkenburg, May 5 through end of school year

New Hires

Amanda Wieger, Jr/Sr High Art Teaching position

Julianna Noble, Paraprofessional on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Hope Louderback, Paraprofessional on Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Gayla Porch for Kayla Borton's maternity leave, March – May

Kelli Klingerman, Paraprofessional in the Jr/Sr High School

Scott Green, Head Varsity Baseball Coach

John Danford, Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach

Vincenzo Carrasco, Head Varsity Boys' Golf Coach

Jeff Messer, Head Varsity Track Coach

Dawn Lawrence, Head Jr. High Track Coach

Patricia Leonard, Food Service

Discussion: Mr. Bennett informed the Board that Kayla Skaggs is doing her student teaching at John Glenn and plans to be back here in early May to assist as a substitute or substitute aide. Bayli Czarneck had her baby last week. Bayli works in Food Service and is Joy Coffin's daughter.

Amanda Wieger has been working as a paraprofessional at the high school this year. She expressed an interest in the Art position and has a bachelors degree so was able to obtain her emergency permit to be able to fill the Art position

The motion was made by Ms Ecker to approve the Consent Agenda minus the personnel recommendation for Dawn Lawrence. Second was made Mr. Nagai. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion was made by Ms. Ecker to approve Mrs. Lawrence as Head Jr. High Track coach, second was by Mr. Nagai. Motion passed 4-0-1 with Mr. Lawrence abstaining.

3. Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Recommendation to reschedule Board Meetings for the fourth Monday of the month at 6:00 pm

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

3.02 Recommendation 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 June 30th and half payable on or around December 31st.

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Lawrence, second by Mr. Lady. Motion passed 5-0.

3.03 Recommendation to approve Resolution 03-21, transfer of funds from Operations Fund to Rainy Day Fund.

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

3.04 Recommendation to approve the 2021 Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statements

Motion to approve by Mr. Nagai, second by

Motion passed 5-0.

3.05 Recommendation to approve 2020 transfers

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

3.06 Recommendation to approve pay for teachers teaching beyond the normal course load

Motion to approve by Mr. Nagai, second by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 4-0. (Lost connection with Mr. Lady)

3.07 Recommendation to re-establish the Oregon-Davis preschool for the 2021-2022 school year

Mr. Nagai made a motion to approve the recommendation to re-establishing Oregon-Davis preschool for the 2021-2022 school year and authorizing the superintendent to spend up to \$5000.00 for marketing. Ms. Ecker seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

3.08 Recommendation to approve the JESSE Joint Service Agreement for the 2021-2022 school year

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

3.09 Recommendation to approve Millies Engineering Group

This company is willing to look at the scope of work Emcor wants to provide and give us a second opinion.

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai and second was by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 5-0.

4. Other Business

5. Curriculum

6. Reports

6.01 Superintendent Reports - Oregon-Davis hosted the girls sectional at the high school. Thank you to the High School staff. Many complements on the Covid Safety Portocols and on the hospitality room. Fans were very cooperative.

Last week at girls swim sectionals, Vivian Turner broke a school record. She is a sophomore.

Mr. Bennett is watching the weather.

Covid- had a flare up a couple of weeks ago. No staff is out now and minimal students out. Starke County is the only blue county in the state at the present time.

Mr. Bennett also passed out the budget snapshot to the board.

6.02 Principal's Reports – Mr. Bennett instructed them to stay home due to the weather.

7. Board Comments

A flyer to advertise preschool was discussed. Mr. Nagai noted that he had attended a Knox school board meeting and they are using a new public access service through public TV to help families with internet access. Mr. Bennett responded that all of students that need access have access. This may be something to look at in the future. He also asked about a junior high swim team. The Jr.High swim team is organized with Ms. Jensen as coach and has meets scheduled for this school year. He mentioned that the swim scoreboard is not working. Mr. Bennett has been talking to Mr. Miller about this and this situation is being addressed. Mr. Nagai wants an update at the next meeting.

Mr. Nagai also attended the Town of Hamlet meeting and asked if they would allow banners honoring seniors or athletes on the street lights. Mr. Bennett will talk about this with administrators.

Mr. Nagai would also like to see press releases each week concerning events at the corporation. Mr. Bennett responded that the press does get a copy of the Bobcat Blast weekly. As events come up the school does communicate with the media.

Mr. Nagai would like to see a liaison from the school board attend other town and school board meetings.

8. Future Meetings

8.01 Board Meeting: March 22, 2021 6:00 PM

9. Adjournment

Mr. Hinds asked for a motion of adjournment. Mr. Nagai made that motion with Ms. Ecker seconding the motion. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned approximately at 7:45 pm.

Chris Lawrence, Secretary

Minutes recorded by Julie McLiver