

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

Monday, January 31, 2022
Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 PM

Elementary School, Room 123 5860 North 750 East, Hamlet, IN 46532

The Board of School Trustees of the Oregon-Davis School Corporation met in Regular Session on Monday evening, at 6:00 PM in Room 123 of the Elementary School.

1. Meeting Opening

1.01 Call to Order – Kyle Hinds

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance – Kyle Hines

1.03 Roll Call – Kyle Hinds, Ben Lady, Brandie Ecker, Lee Nagai

1.04 Public Comment - None

Mr. Hinds asked for a motion to add the addendum items to the meeting agenda.

Motion was made by Mr. Lady, second by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 4-0

2. Consent Agenda

2.01 Approval of the Minutes

12/20/21 Regular Minutes

1/10/22 Reorganization Meeting

1/10/22 Board of Finance Meeting

2.02 Approval of Financial Reports

12/24/21 Deduction Checks Posting Report

12/29/21, 1/24/22 Vendor Claims

12/24/21, 1/7/22 Payroll Claims

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

Professional Leave

1/25/22, David Pinkham, Curriculum Conference, Plymouth

2/17-2/18/22, William Bennett, AASA Superintendent Conf., Nashville, TN

2/9/22, Kerry Bradway, Praxis Test, Mishawaka

Field Trips

2/1/22 or 2/17/22 Hospitality/Food Service Classes to Fir Oaks Farms

5/5/22 Culinary/Food Service Classes, In House-Teacher Appreciation Meal

2/5/22, SkillsUSA Region 1 contest, Hammond Area Career Center

Facility Use

Fundraisers

3/4/22 or 3/11/22, Senior Class sponsoring Dance & Games to fund senior trip

Donations

2.04 Approval of Personnel Recommendations

Resignations

Dave McLiver, Social Studies

Tricia Huitt, School Nurse

New Hires/Assignments

Lucretia Perry – Jr/Sr High School Math Teacher

Nancy Edwards – Jr. High School Study Tables Coach

Steve Budka – Head Boys Golf Coach

Nathan Cripe – Head Girls Softball Coach

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Mr. Nagai, second by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 4-0.

3. Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Recommendation to approve Conflict of Interest Statements

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mr. Lady. Motion passed 4-0.

3.02 Recommendation to approve 2022 mileage rate

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai, second by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 4-0.

3.03 Recommendation to approve 2022 Fiscal Goal

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mr. Lady. Motion passed 4-0.

3.04 Recommendation to approve new Superintendent Contract

Mr. Hinds commented that a public hearing was held January 10, 2022. The amount of the contract was increased to \$98,000.00 and was extended an additional year. He also noted that the superintendent shall be entitled to all benefits, bonuses and raises (stipends) as the other administrators receive. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai, second was by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 4-0.

3.05 Recommendation to approve Resolution 01-22 to rename the Elementary Library

Motion was made by Ms. Ecker, second by Mr. Nagai. Motion passed 4-0.

4. Other Business

5. Curriculum

6. Reports

6.01 Superintendent Reports – Mr. Bennett stated that at the next meeting he will have a short presentation on graduation rates and all that goes into determining those rates.

Mr. Lonigro just went through his first IDEM inspection. Nothing major was reported but a corrective action to add backflow connectors to the pump house will be necessary.

Mr. Bennett also reported that a review of equipment has shown that some of the equipment the school has is getting older and it might be beneficial to have an online auction to sell some of the equipment and then purchase a more all-purpose machine to help around the grounds.

Today was the first day for before school care through SCYC. This is a nice service for parents and will run from 6 am to 7:20 am when school starts.

6.02 Principal's Reports – Mrs. Awald reported that National Junior Honor Society will be starting prior to Spring Break. GPA will be the factor they use for induction at this point and will review other factors for future inductions. Approximately 15 students from 7th and 8th grade qualify at this time.

Study Tables and Enrichment have started at the Jr/Sr High School. The Mentor teacher program is up and running.

Mrs. Awald also said Mr. Veger has SkillsUSA up and running and the group recently was awarded a grant from Lowes.

The second grading period honor roll students were celebrated with a pizza party today. Thirty-six members of band in grades 6 – 11 will be participating in solo/ensemble contests this Saturday in Plymouth.

There will be a pep session tomorrow to recognize girls basketball as sectionals start on Tuesday. Girls swimming and Boys swimming will also be recognized as girls swimming sectionals begin on Thursday and boys swim sectionals begin on February 17.

Mrs. Awald stated that Bobcat time is being used as SAT bootcamp, PSAT bootcamp and also remediation time.

Mr. Bennett added that the state has offered the opportunity for second grade students to opt in to taking the Iread assessment. They will not be penalized if they do not pass but it will give an opportunity to assess where students are at and also give the students a chance to become familiar with that kind of assessment.

7. Board Comments

Mr. Nagai wanted to know the status of the pool. More information should be available after February 20. He also asked if they could look at discussing district wide scheduling so events do not overlap. Mr. Bennett said the administrators will be looking at this and will give the Board an update on what they discuss. He also asked about how scholarships are being communicated to students. Ms. Hensley will be at the next meeting to present an update on this topic. Mr. Nagai then asked about scheduling an executive session to work on the board member vacancy. Mr. Bennett will get with the board to look at dates to have an executive

session where they can develop of list of questions for the candidates and look at scheduling those interview. The interviews will be done in a public meeting according do state statute. Finally, Mr. Nagai again encouraged organizations to purchase locally for their fundraisers whenever possible.

Ms. Ecker had a community member ask her about the purchase of the SRO car. Mr. Bennett answered that money from the Hardesty foundation was donated to purchase the vehicle and maintain it each year. Also the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute granted money to help wrap the car with the graphics. All grant dollars paid for the car and it's upkeep.

Mr. Lady asked about a playground update. Wednesday is the next sceduled PTA meeting which may not happen because of weather but hopefully they can meet soon and put together a timeline for phases of upgrades.

Mr. Hinds announced they are still accepting letters of interest for the vacancy on the school board through Wednesday. After that they will set a date for an executive sesison to formulate their plans to interview in a public meeting. He also thanked everyone that was involved in organizing the reception for the renaming of the library.

8. Future Meetings

8.01 Board Meeting: February 28, 2022

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Nagai with Ms. Ecker seconding the motion. Motion passed 4-0.