

# OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

**Monday, May 23, 2022  
Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 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 a Regular Session on Monday evening, May 23, 2022 at 6:00 PM in the Humanities Room of the Jr/Sr High School.

## **1. Meeting Opening**

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1.01 Call to Order

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance – Kyle Hinds

1.03 Roll Call – Kyle Hinds, Brandi Ecker, Ben Lady, Terry Minix, Lee Nagai

1.04 Public Comment - none

## **2. Consent Agenda**

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2.01 Approval of the Minutes  
April 25, 2022

2.02 Approval of Financial Reports  
Fund Transfer 4/29/22, \$7759.00  
Deduction Checks Posting Report 4/29/22, 5/13/22 \$18,533.15  
Vendor Claims 4/29/22, 5/23/22 \$412,126.41

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

### Professional Leave

4/19/22 David Pinkham, Porter Trust Meeting, Valparaiso

5/23/22 Joseph Veger, CTE Workshop, Plymouth

5/23/22 Kristin Kubacki, CTE Workshop, Plymouth

5/23/22 Dale Tafelski, CTE Workshop, Plymouth

7/29/22 Jeff Messer, NIESC Kitchen Staff Outing, Plymouth

### Field Trips

4/26/22, FFA, Livestock Evaluation, Warsaw

5/5/22, FFA, Dairy Evaluation, Goshen

5/14/22, Natl. Jr. Honor Society, Community Service at Starke County Animal Shelter

5/20/22, FFA, Achievement Trip, Indiana Beach, Monticello, IN

### Facility Use

6/6/22-7/15/22, Starke County Youth Club, Rm 126, 127, cafeteria, gym, library, garden

### Fundraisers

4/26-5/30/22, Little Caesars Pizza Kit Sale, Jr. High & Varsity Softball, for equipment and/or jerseys

5/1/22, Sponsor Program, Jr. High & Varsity Softball , purchase equipment & away jerseys

### Donations

Cheryl Lyn Welter Family Charitable Foundation to Elementary Teachers,

Elizabeth Megyese, \$400.00

Brittany VanVolkenburg, \$339.95

Caitlin Dietrich, \$400.00

Starke Co Farm Bureau for 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field trip to Fair Oaks \$600.00

## 2.04 Approval of Personnel Recommendations

### New Hires/Appointments

Tammy Whitcraft, full-time elementary teacher

Sarah Gillard, Jr/Sr High School Social Studies Teacher

### Retirements

Denise Ransom, Elementary Aide

### Resignations

Sommer Lewis, Elementary

Christopher Donovan, Science Teacher

Mr. Bennett introduced Sarah Gillard the new Jr/Sr High School Social Studies Teacher and allowed her to briefly share her background.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Ms. Ecker, second by Mr. Lady. Motion passed 5-0.

At this time Mr. Hinds asked for a motion to add Item 3.09 to the Discussion/Action Items. Motion was made by Ms. Ecker and second was by Mr. Nagai. Motion passed 5-0.

## **3. Discussion/Action Items**

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### 3.01 Recommendation to Approve Harcourt Outlines to Install 3M Security Film.

This film allows insiders to see out but makes it difficult for outsiders seeing in, will reduce glare in some of the rooms, and it will not prevent glass from breaking if shot but will catch the bullet. All main entry ways will be done and also around the back of the elementary.

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

### 3.02 Recommendation for Fletchers Carpet to Install New Carpet at the Elementary

This project will almost finish the elementary. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai, second was by Mr. Minix. Motion passed 5-0.

### 3.03 Recommendation to Adopt the McGraw Hill Reveal Math Series Grades K-6

A committee of teachers, administration and parents reviewed the books. This company will have a hard copy book for each student as well as digital content. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Minix, second was by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 5-0.

### 3.04 Recommendation to Approve Jr/Sr High School CTE, Junior High Social Studies and 7-12 Math Textbooks

The motion was made to approve the textbooks contingent upon approval of the new Jr/Sr High Principal and Social Studies Teacher. Motion was made by Mr. Minix and second by Mr. Nagai. Motion passed 5-0.

### 3.05 Recommendation to Re-Invest \$170,000.00 in a 6-month CD with Nicole Salazar acting as executor of the CD with the authority to sign and act on Oregon-Davis accounts

Hoosier Funds rate is .65 where the other banks were less than that and there is not a fixed time period where it is locked in. If the rate goes up the next day the school will benefit from that increase.

The motion was amended to read to re-invest \$170,000 in Hoosier Fund. Motion was made by Ms. Ecker, second by Mr. Lady. Motion passed 5-0.

### 3.06 Recommendation to Pour New Concrete Around Elementary School

This project will help even up surfaces and eliminate trip hazards and contour around the elementary to fit in with the playground project, but this project is under capital improvements and not from playground funds.

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

### 3.07 Recommendation to Approve Hill Excavating to Remove Asphalt

This will remove the asphalt and dispose of it properly. Motion made by Mr. Minix, second by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 5-0.

### 3.08 Recommendation for Jr/Sr High School Principal

Mr. Bennett introduced Emily DuVall for the next Jr/Sr High School Principal position. He thanked all those that served on the interview committees. Ms. DuVall has 10 years of experience at the Jr/Sr High School level with experience in Starke County.

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

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### 3.09 Recommendation to Approve Elementary Kitchen Upgrades

The Food service fund can only have so much funds in reserve before the federal government pauses reimbursements. This happened this year and the corporation had to share a plan for spending those excess funds. Renovation at the elementary to make serving more efficient and bring in some new equipment will be a good use for these funds at this time.

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

## **4. Other Business**

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## **5. Curriculum**

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## **6. Reports**

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6.01 Superintendent Report – The last student day will be Thursday and teacher work day will be Friday. SCYC starts June 6 there are about 13 or 14 students signed up, there will be one bus route and is separate from our jumpstart that will be towards the end of summer. On June 2 we hope to pull some teachers and admin in to start planning for the next school year. The next school board meeting is scheduled for June 27 which is the first night of fair. Mr. Minix made a motion to have two meetings a month on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 6:00 pm. Mr. Nagai seconded the motion. Mr. Hinds supported going to two meetings a month as long as if we find we do not have business to take care of the meeting is cancelled. Ms. Ecker opposed a second meeting. Motion passed 4-1 with Ms. Ecker opposing the motion. For June only we will meet on Tuesday, June 7 and Monday, June 20. Going forward the meetings will be on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 6:00 pm.

6.02 Principal's Report – The book vending machine arrived today. Ms. Quinn formally invited the Board members to Celebration Day on Wednesday starting at 8:30 for Beginning Bobcats, 12:30 for Kindergarten celebration and 5:30 for 6th grade celebration. Field Day is Thursday. Thanks to a generous family in our district everyone has a matching field day t-shirt. Mini relay for life was Friday. The goal was to raise \$1500 and \$2200 was raised! On the playground, little log cabins will be made for the lower end over the summer. The decision on the swings was to buy new instead of removing and recoating the old swings which would have cost more than new. PTA has met and will be outlining fundraisers for the year, some of these will be a trivia night, a raffle, and other events will be announced.

Mrs. Lady reminded everyone that softball sectionals are at LaCrosse on Tuesday, Baseball sectionals we will play the winner of game 2 at noon at South Central.

## **7. Board Comments**

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Mr. Lady asked about new flags. He also questioned about attaching the board packet to an email in addition to posting to the school board section on the website. It will be researched if there is any problem with that.

## **8. Future Meetings**

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8.01 Board Meeting: Tuesday, June 7, 2022, 6:00 pm

**9. Adjournment**

Mr. Hinds asked for a motion of adjournment. Mr. Minix made that motion, second was by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.

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Ben Lady, Secretary

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Minutes recorded by Julie McLiver