

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 13, 2014

ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

None.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT: Jeanette Sampson, Vice Chair
Shawn Helligso, Director
Jenna Rickenbach, Director
Grace Laman, Director

Director Dursse was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

ALSO PRESENT: Craig Hoppes, Superintendent-Clerk; Louise Kallstrom, Director of Support Services; Jodie Holthusen, Recorder (Please see Attachment A for complete list of attendees.)

1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Vice Chair Sampson called a meeting of the Board of Directors of Astoria School District No. 1C, Clatsop County, to order at 7:30 P.M. on Wednesday, August 13, 2014 in the Astoria School District Boardroom. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2.0 COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

Director Laman read a statement recognizing Clatsop Community College for its strong, collaborative partnership with the district and the benefits provided to Astoria students through MERTS, Dual Credit offerings and Coastal Commitment. Members of the College Board and Dr. Larry Galizio, CCC President, were in attendance to receive the acknowledgement.

3.0 AHS STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

None.

4.0 PATRON COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Paula Schmidt –

- In attendance at tonight's meeting to speak in support of vocational ag and FFA
- It is near and dear to her heart – she was involved as a youth
- It teaches kids a wide variety of subjects including welding, plumbing, carpentry

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- Kids are like an apple tree – a seed is planted and they grow - a trunk begins and eventually starts to branch out – in the end we want to get a well-rounded beautiful apple
- Want to keep FFA in front of Astoria’s eyes – some families want to move away because there is no FFA
- There weren’t any FFA kids at our county fair – she realizes budget cuts happen but is hopeful that, with the help and support of the alumni, it can be brought back

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

The following consent agenda items were presented:

- A. Approve minutes of Regular Board Meeting, July 9, 2014
- B. Approve minutes of Board Retreat, July 16, 2014
- C. Approve minutes of Board Retreat, July 23, 2014
- D. Approve hire of Kasey Breuier, 1.0 FTE 3rd Grade Teacher, Lewis & Clark Elementary School, effective August 26, 2014
- E. Approve hire of Christopher Luhrs, 1.0 FTE 5th Grade Teacher, Lewis & Clark Elementary School, effective August 26, 2014
- F. Approve hire of Tim Mahoney, 1.0 FTE 2nd Grade Teacher, Astor Elementary School, effective August 26, 2014
- G. Transfer of Travis Roe, 1.0 FTE Principal, Astor Elementary School to 1.0 FTE Language Arts Teacher, Astoria Middle School, effective August 26, 2014
- H. Promotion of Roy Sanchez, .32 FTE Spanish/Language Arts Teacher, Astoria High School to 1.0 FTE Spanish Teacher, Astoria Middle School, effective August 26, 2014
- I. Employment of Liane Donovan, 1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher, Astoria Middle School, effective August 26, 2014

DIRECTOR LAMAN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS AS PRESENTED AND DIRECTOR HELLIGSO SECONDED. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

6.0 REPORTS

A. ***ASTORIA SCHOOL DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN**
Superintendent Hoppes directed the members’ attention to the “Norms” printed at the top of the agenda and the designated “*” items located throughout the document. These items correlate directly with Board and District Goals.

He went on to explain that he has identified and researched three potential groups to lead the strategic plan process (which is one of the Board goals.) Each will draw-up a proposal for the directors to review and evaluate.

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B. SCHOOL SAFETY

Mr. Hahn talked about the hard work that went into implementing various safety measures throughout the district over the past year. The overall concept is to give people the tools they need so they can make quick decisions and stay safe. He went on to explain that the previous emergency manual, utilized by the district, was revised and enhanced with the latest security measures provided by the District's attorneys and insurance companies. One of the main improvements in the document includes the Standard Response Protocol (SRP) which was adopted last year by the Astoria School District. The information is conveniently located on the front page of the new manual for quick access by students and staff. Other district-wide improvements include the following:

- "Go Kits" were assembled for family reunification stations
- A two-way radio communication system has been installed throughout the district (including buses)
- A back-up generator has been set up to ensure district-wide communication in the event of a power outage
- Buses have been outfitted with real-time GPS units and emergency button devices

Superintendent Hoppes reported that all students and staff (new to the district) will be trained in SRP. In addition, an informational video will be available on our website for parents and community members. He went on to commend Ryan Hahn and Tami Arnold for their tremendous efforts to increase safety measures throughout the district.

C. **STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Superintendent Hoppes reiterated the importance of improving student attendance in schools. The issue was recently discussed and decided that attendance data was to be brought to the school board. He was pleased to announce that the Astoria District is at or above State averages in regards to student attendance rates although administrators and staff would like to do more to improve these results. Some ideas were offered up including the possibility of a family advocate to act as a liaison between the District and parents to improve communication. The members asked that attendance be incorporated into the Achievement Gap goal.

7.0 INFORMATION

The following information items were presented:

- A. Resignation of Kathleen Fox, 6.0 hours per day Bus Driver, effective July 15, 2014
- B. Resignation of Shyra Merila, .48 FTE Counselor, Gray School Campus, effective June 30, 2014
- C. Employment of Tiffany Thompson, 8.0 hours per day Attendance Secretary, Astoria High School, effective September 1, 2014
- D. Resignation of Bill Shively, 1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher, Lewis & Clark Elementary School, effective June 30, 2014

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- E. Resignation of Martha Moore, 1.0 FTE Language Arts Teacher, Astoria High School, effective June 30, 2014

8.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

9.0 NEW BUSINESS

A. 2014-2015 DISTRICT GOALS (ATTACHMENT B)

Superintendent Hoppes briefly reviewed the proposed District Goals and reminded the members that they could approve them at tonight's meeting or wait until September if changes were necessary. It was agreed that the goals would be brought back at a later time to allow Chair Dursse an opportunity to provide input.

B. 2014-2015 Board Goals

The Board Goals were discussed for a short time as they are very similar to the District Goals. The members chose not to take action at this time.

C. Declaration of Cooperation – Oregon Coast STEM Hub

Superintendent Hoppes outlined the formation of the STEM Hub. He explained that forty partners along the Oregon Coast joined to write a grant proposal to the Oregon Department of Education. Funds were awarded and momentum is building to engage K-14 educators and students along the coast in world-class Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) experiences. The hub's vision is to inspire and prepare students to be highly skilled employees and educated citizens, capable of making informed decisions about global and regional issues. Superintendent Hoppes urged the members to publicly declare their support of the STEM hub by way of declaration, included in the board packets.

DIRECTOR HELLIGSO MADE A MOTION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION WITH THE STEM HUB AND DIRECTOR RICKENBACH SECONDED. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

D. Technology Surplus

Members reviewed the technology items listed for surplus.

DIRECTOR LAMAN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SURPLUS ITEMS AS PRESENTED AND DIRECTOR RICKENBACH SECONDED. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

E. OSBA Legislative Policies and Priorities

Superintendent Hoppes reminded the Board that Chair Dursse is a member of the Oregon School Boards Association Legislative Policy Committee. Included in the packet were a list of items slated to be voted on. Chair Dursse had asked that the members review and

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provide feedback on the issues presented. He would then take the information back to the committee. It was agreed that the members would review the items at home and report back to the District Office with comments.

10.0 COMMENTS

A. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

There were no comments for the good of the order.

B. SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent Hoppes

- We will need to hold a meeting to accept what was built on the new field – the plans and specs were approved by the Board in December and now you have to determine whether or not the field was built to meet the specifications – we need to create some sort of process to take the field from the hospital
- It's good to have new administrators
- Welcomed Ms. Linder – received \$100,000 assessment grant – she has taken it and gone with it to help provide training – will be hosting four districts
- We're gearing up for the school year – certified staff have all been hired now we are working on filling classified positions
- We will host a new teacher barbeque on August 25
- Ken Williams will be presenting on PLC's August 27

C. DIRECTOR OF SUPPORT SERVICES

Ms. Kallstrom

- Handed out the adopted budget – the cover is the graduating class of 1900 – is excited about what Mr. Holmstedt is doing with the photo archives

D. BOARD MEMBERS

Director Rickenbach

- Will be at the new teacher barbeque
- Wanted to know if the Board will have a table set up at orientations

Director Laman

- Thanked Superintendent Hoppes for the tour of the new sports complex – especially appreciated Director Helligso explaining the “in's” and “out's” of the site
- The safety manual is great – thanked Tami Arnold and Ryan Hahn
- Excited for the new school year

Director Helligso

- Echoed praise regarding the great job on the emergency manual – it's a lot of work but well worth it
- Welcomed the new administrators

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- Appreciates the goal around attendance – wife works at head start and was the advocate – with economic disadvantaged kids there are usually a lot of other things going on – it would be great to have a person to help them access resources

Vice Chair Sampson

- Will be at the new teacher barbeque
- Welcomed Ms. Linder and Ms. Gohr - she is also excited about having Ms. Liane Donovan in the district
- Appreciated the FFA presentation – it is near and dear to her heart and she is one of the alumni – the program is more than animals, it teaches parliamentary procedures, equipment safety and many other things
- The safety manual is incredible – thanks to Tami and Ryan – hopefully we will never have to use it but it eases our minds as board members and parents

**E. BOARD CHAIR
CHAIR DURSSE - NA**

11.0 FUTURE MEETINGS

Monday, August 25, 2014
6:00 P.M.

NEW TEACHER BARBEQUE
Lewis & Clark Elementary School

Wednesday, September 10, 2014
6:15 P.M.

BOARD STUDY SESSION
ASD Boardroom

Wednesday, September 10, 2014
7:30 P.M.

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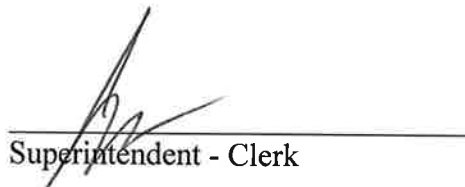
12.0 ADJOURNMENT

DIRECTOR RICKENBACH MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AND DIRECTOR LAMAN SECONDED. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 P.M.



Board Chair



Superintendent - Clerk