

STUDY SESSION MINUTES

December 10, 2014

ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

None.

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

Chair Dursse was unable to attend tonight's meeting due to illness.

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

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Sampson called a meeting of the Board of Directors of Astoria School District No. 1C, Clatsop County, to order at 6:15 P.M. on Wednesday, December 10, 2014 in the Astoria School District Boardroom.

2.0 LIBRARY SERVICES

Superintendent Hoppes introduced Candice Watkins, Library Director at Clatsop Community College. Chair Dursse and the superintendent met with her earlier and thought it would be a good idea for her to share some information with the Board.

Ms. Watkins expressed her concerns about students entering the college level lacking certain skills. The library right now is not about books but information and how to use it. Students must determine what information is needed, how to find it and how to evaluate and incorporate it into their purpose. She said that it sounds easy but it's not. Students are lacking connections to put it together. With cuts to budgets and school librarians, among other areas, kids aren't learning enough information literacy skills. Ms. Watkins distributed informational handouts to the members to support her findings. Some of the documents highlighted information on Common Core standards and how a teacher librarian can work with students and curriculum. She proposed that the District consider bringing in at least a part-time person to start, who focuses on high school and student learning. Ms. Watkins stated that she wanted to speak to the members and help them understand that librarians are no longer people who just check out books. Due to the shift in the digital scale, librarians are now teachers.

3.0 CENTER FOR INNOVATION EDUCATION REPORT

Ms. Linder presented an informational Power Point outlining key elements derived from the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) Innovative Lab Network (ILN) conference that she attended in Louisville, Kentucky in November. The purpose of ILN is as follows:

- Brings districts together to share successes and struggles
- Provides states/district with guidance and support in the own process of growth
- Develops capacity across the country to begin the process of innovative growth

The presentation sets clear guidelines and structure for districts to: focus on quality, balanced instruction; embrace risk-taking and innovation; and utilize family and community partnerships which are key to success.

4.0 FOOD SERVICE

Ms. Kallstrom presented a comprehensive Power Point document for the members, detailing each aspect of the District's food service program. Superintendent Hoppes explained that he wanted the Board to be informed of the history, process, cost and structure of our current program versus in-house management. Ms. Kallstrom talked about the bid process, noting that the food management company requires 60-days' notice should the district decide to discontinue services.

5.0 POLICY REVIEW


Policy review was postponed until January due to time constraints.

6.0 ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 P.M.



Board Chair



Superintendent - Clerk