

REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Zone 1 Position 1, Jerry O'Sullivan – term expires 6/30/23 Zone 1 Position 2, Judy Coleman – term expires 6/30/21
Zone 2 Position 1, Lonnie Rainville. – term expires 6/30/23 Zone 2 Position 2, David Stevens – term expires 6/30/21
Zone 3 Position 1, Jeff Johnson – term expires 6/30/21 Zone 3 Position 2, Jeannie Weakley – term expires 6/30/21
Zone 3 Position 3, Suzie Rogers – term expires 6/30/23

South Umpqua School District

The meeting will be held virtually

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October 07, 2020

6:00 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Judy Coleman
- Jeff Johnson
- David Stevens
- Jerry O'Sullivan
- Lonnie Rainville
- Suzie Rogers
- Jeannie Weakley

BOARD NORMS

- Respect the diversity of communication and opinion in our group
- Encourage everyone's participation in our group.
- Use organizational tools and strategies to help us communicate efficiently (i.e. parking lot, facilitator, agenda, identifying purpose/intent of discussion)
- Respect time, stay on task
- Avoid sidebar conversations (including electronic ones).
- Identify (using italics on agenda) and respect confidentiality (when in doubt, don't spread it about)
- Have fun ☺

MINUTES

1. Opening Ceremonies

- 1.1 Call Meeting to Order-Board Chair Jeff Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm
- 1.2 Roll Check- Jeannie Weakley and Suzie Rogers were not present. All other board members were in attendance.
- 1.3 Flag salute

2. Review of Agenda/Board Member Topics

- 2.1 Added items 4.1.5- School Closure Days and 6.3 Approve Student Investment Account (SIA) Grant Agreement with the Oregon Department of Education
- 2.2 Approve agenda for October 07, 2020 (Any items to be pulled from the consent agenda should be done at this time.)

Jerry O'Sullivan made a motion, Lonnie Rainville seconded. Motion passed unanimously

3. Citizens' Request of the Board

To accommodate the public comment portion of our meeting, members of the public were invited via the school district website to submit feedback to the Board secretary via email prior to the board meeting. All submissions that followed the district policy regarding public comment were read by Superintendent McLaughlin. Jasen Lynch, 971 NE Riverside Dr, Myrtle Creek submitted a proposal for the use of the vacant lane on Neal Lane in Myrtle Creek that is owned by the school district. The proposal was sent to board members prior to the meeting and then summarized by Superintendent McLaughlin at the meeting. The board members discussed the proposal. Lonnie Rainville suggested that Mr. Lynch contact the city of Myrtle Creek as they currently have two sites for community gardens that are not being used.

4. Communications

4.1. Superintendent's Report

4.1.1 Superintendent communication- Superintendent McLaughlin presented the Board with a color-coded metric report and updated them on in person learning. On September 21, SUSD was in the "yellow" zone which means we have more than 20 cases per 100,00 in the county if that happens for more than one week we need to be sure to have a plan ready if we need to go to distance learning. That is not needed at this time. As of September 27th the metric was almost exactly the same as September 21st.

Superintendent McLaughlin and Andy Johnson have been in the buildings all staff and students are doing an amazing job and are following the guidelines.

There was a complaint sent to ODE questioning if the district opened in compliance with the metrics. Superintendent McLaughlin and Andy Johnson had a meeting on Friday with the ODE partners and the district was in compliance and the complaint was considered resolved.

Andy Johnson updated the board on distance learning. The enrollment for distance learning is increasing rapidly currently 93 elementary students and 155 secondary. We have 2 elementary distance learning teachers and one secondary distance learning teacher and one secondary IA. Since the last time Andy met with the board he is seeing an improvement in the program. Superintendent McLaughlin said that we have 16% of our students in distance learning. More kids at the secondary are opting for distance learning so Superintendent met with Mr. Simpson to see if there was any changes that could be made to make it a less restrictive environment. Unfortunately with the increase in cases that is not been able to happen.

Jeff Johnson asked about the rigor of the work that was being offered through distance learning and can there be a balance between both options.

4.1.2 Enrollment Report- Superintendent McLaughlin presented the enrollment report to the board. Enrollment is down for September. A few students have returned to in person learning from online academy's. Currently have 125 home schooled students this year. Enrollment is at 1444. Canyonville- 152, Coffenberry- 314, High School- 414, MCE- 270, TCE- 282.

4.1.3 Board Goals- Superintendent McLaughlin provided the board with a template that includes the measurable district goals from 2019-20, and provides space for Board conversation and additional specifics regarding goals for 2020-21. Superintendent McLaughlin told the board after having discussion with Jeff that she would like to know if the board would like the board and the superintendent goals to be one in the same and return to the model that was previously used. She asked the board if that is what they preferred to return to that. They would look at the priorities and within that build the goals. Superintendent McLaughlin asked the board if they would like to keep the current four priorities. The board would like to keep

the four priorities and the Superintendent goals will address the priorities and then set specific measurable goals. The state is abandoning attendance as an initiative due to the current situation we are in. Superintendent McLaughlin and Andy Johnson will be looking at what would make sense to put in there in place of attendance. One priority that the state and the district have is social and emotional goals and that is what they are considering putting in place of attendance.

4.1.4 Superintendent Goals- Superintendent McLaughlin presented the draft superintendent goals and they are aligned to the board priorities. She did remove the attendance PD and are looking at other areas of professional development such as technology and social emotional. Also added under equity goal the implementation and the viability and sustainability of a dual delivery model of some sort of distance learning or online school. The board discussed at option to look at engagement of students and measurements to replace attendance.

4.1.5 School Closure Days- Superintendent McLaughlin told the board that this is a conversation we would typically have in the spring. Currently we have had two closure days due to the smoke and then one at Coffenberry due to the water line breaking. By contract, the board can decide to reschedule the days at the end of the year or not make them up. This is not a typically time to have this discussion because we could have ice or snow in the winter so we may need to have this conversation again. At this time we are looking to have a discussion about this because the 10 month employees have not been paid and by contract they either get paid if the board adds more days if they don't add days they get paid now. At the elementary level, they have enough instructional minutes but at the secondary, they do not have as many. The board would like to add two days and then deal with Coffenberry separately. Superintendent McLaughlin will look at the current calendar and bring back a revised calendar to discuss at the next meeting.

4.2 Fiscal Responsibility – Claire Johnson

4.2.1 Financial Report- Claire Johnson handed out the monthly financial summary report. Currently the district is on track to have an ending fund balance of \$2,750,651. Claire Johnson reported that the PERS rate came in for 21/23 and that is similar to the past with a slight decrease.

4.2.2 Nutrition Services- Claire Johnson provided the board with summary of the meals being during the first four weeks of September. Busses will continue running to serve breakfast and lunch to students until December 31, 2020. The district was approved for the Community Eligibility Program for three years all school aged students will eat for free.

4.3 Joe Motta- Facilities Manager

4.3.1 Facilities update- Joe Motta updated the board on the Myrtle Creek Seismic Project they are still close to our original time line of 120 days. All of the classrooms are occupied except room 6. We found an overloaded roofing system and cracked hip rafter above that span of the building. Outlier is scheduled to start on the repairs the week of October 5th. We are still doing well budgetarily. The additional work on the broken hip joint above room 6, added trusses and LVL beams is approximately \$51,400 with some additional cost expected once the ceiling is fully opened. The added work is not part of the seismic project so will come out of the capital fund. The Board asked Joe Motta and Claire Johnson to talk to the company and see if the repairs can be added to the grant. Substantial completion of this project is October 18th.

SUHS Lift Station Project: The contractor is on site and progress has been great. We are looking at substantial completion October 16th. Tri-city has been checking the

system for pumping if needed throughout the project. We replaced 2- 45' angles and a 90' angle and now have a straight run into the system. The removal of the various angles will allow for better flow and fewer potential issues in the future.

Joe Motta: Access Control Update: Johnson control is scheduled to program Myrtle Creek the week of October 12th and we continue to improve the customer experience with added schedules and fine tuning of access.

Lift Station area lighting: While we have the opportunity, we will be adding a better LED light to the area. Coffenberry Middle School pipe has been repaired but due to the age of the pipes they will need to be replaced. They are currently looking at blue prints to see if they can tie in to the main line and avoid running the pipe through the floor.

4.4 Student Achievement- Andy Johnson

4.4.1 Division 22- Andy Johnson presented the board with the annual Division 22 report. There were a few changes to last year's requirements due to the current situation. The 54 standards were reduced to 17 standards. Of the 17, we are reporting compliance with all but the counseling standard. The requirement would require us to have 1 counselor for every 250 students. We would be required to add 3 more counselors. We were planning to address this standard with Student Investment Account funding, but those funds were drastically reduced and we had other priorities that were more urgent.

For the 20/21 school year all of the 54 standards are back except the personalized learning standard, vision and hearing requirements, and the PE minute requirements. They have added two additional requirements we have to comply with: the ready, safe learners and modification to instructional hours to allow for professional development and family engagement.

Andy Johnson let the board know that we were in compliance with all Division 22 standards with the exception of counseling standards.

4.5 Equitable Access and Opportunity – Diane Dunas

4.5.1 Washington School for the Blind Tuition Agreement- Diane Dunas informed the board that the special education department and IEP team have determined that it is in the best interest of one of our visually impaired students, to attend the Washington State School for the Blind for the 2020-21 school year. There is no longer a school for the blind in Oregon. The SUSD is not able to provide the services this student would need for this school year. Student is expected to be ready to re-integrate into SUSD the 2021-22 school year. Currently the student is doing distance learning when the school reopens Bussing will be provided by First Student and the district will hire a bus matron to accompany the student.

4.6 Foundation Communication- The online auction made \$22,100 the funds will be split between the foundation and the booster club. The foundation is accepting classroom grants and has \$10,000 available. Grant applications have been sent out.

5. Consent Agenda

- 5.1. Approval of Minutes: Regular Board Session, August 05, 2020 and Board Work Session, August 19, 2020
- 5.2. Approve employment of Krystina Faulk, Temporary Elementary Teacher at Myrtle Creek Elementary
- 5.3. Approve employment of Ryan Townsend, Temporary ELA Teacher at South Umpqua High School
- 5.4. Approve employment of William Garrett, Temporary Science Teacher at Coffenberry

Middle School

David Stevens motioned, Jerry O'Sullivan seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

6. New Business (action items)

- 6.1 Approve Memorandum of Understanding between the South Umpqua School District and the Oregon School Employee Association. – Lonnie Rainville motioned, David Stevens seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 6.2 Approve Washington School for the Blind Tuition Agreement- Jerry O'Sullivan motioned, Lonnie Rainville seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 6.3 Approve Student Investment Account (SIA) Grant Agreement with the Oregon Department of Education- David Stevens motioned, Jerry O'Sullivan seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Chair Jeff Johnson recessed the meeting at 7:27

7. Executive Session To conduct deliberations to negotiate real property transactions. (ORS 192.660(2)(e))-The board came out of executive session at 7:36 pm

8. Announcements

- 8.1 Board Work Session, October 21, 2020, 6:00 PM
- 8.2 Board Regular Session, November 04, 2020, 6:00 PM

9. Meeting adjourned – The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm