

REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Zone 1 Position 1, Anandita Tiwari – term expires 6/30/27

Zone 2 Position 1, Thomas Lebengood. – term expires 6/30/27

Zone 3 Position 1, Jeff Johnson – term expires 6/30/25

Zone 3 Position 3, Kellyn Goodwin – term expires 6/30/27

Zone 1 Position 2, Randy Richardson – term expires 6/30/25

Zone 2 Position 2, David Stevens – term expires 6/30/25

Zone 3 Position 2, Quinn Pickering – term expires 6/30/25

South Umpqua School District

The meeting will be held at the

South Umpqua School District

558 Chadwick Lane

Myrtle Creek, OR 97457

February 07, 2024

6:15 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Randy Richardson
- Jeff Johnson
- David Stevens
- Anandita Tiwari
- Thomas Lebengood
- Kellyn Goodwin
- Quinn Pickering

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- Jeff Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:17 pm

1.2 Roll Check- Randy Richardson and Quin Pickering were not in attendance. All other board members were present.

1.3 Flag salute

2. Review of Agenda/Board Member Topics

2.1 Approve agenda for February 07, 2024 (Any items to be pulled from the consent agenda should be done at this time.)

Anandita Tiwari motioned; David Stevens seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

3. Citizens' Request of the Board- None

4. Communications

4.1 Superintendent's Report

4.1.1 Superintendent communication- Dr. Hillyer Informed the board that it was CTE

month and that he was proud of the work the district had done over the years providing many opportunities to students and a well-rounded education. Dr. Hillyer congratulated the high school on their graduation rate of 80% which was a 6% increase. Dr. Hillyer informed the board that budget committee members are still needed.

Dr. Hillyer thanked Emily Velae, TCE principal and Taylor Vian, SRO, for the all the work they did on the district EOP. Dr. Hillyer informed the board that he was working on a \$500,000 COPS grant for school safety. Some of the areas he is looking at are entryways, fencing, visitor entry procedures and increasing school cameras. Dr. Hillyer hired a grant writer for \$4,500 to write the grant.

Dr. Hillyer also informed the board that he was working on a grant from ODE called the Stronger Connections grant and that the district was one of 67 school that qualified due to our poverty rates, attendance, and rural location. If awarded the grant the school would receive up to \$750,000 over two years.

4.1.2 Financial Report- Dr. Hillyer presented the board with the financial report and informed the board that the district was under budget due to benefits coming in under what was projected.

4.2 Facilities Manager Joe Motta

4.2.1 Facilities update- Joe Motta present the board with information on the RFP for MCE. In November, SUSD sent an RFP to remove and replace existing heating units at the end of their useful life cycle. MCE is the only school in our district that does not have A/C in the classrooms. A previous attempt for a grant was unsuccessful. Mr. Motta recommends that the board award the construction contract to Addcox in the amount of \$383,052.60 for HVAC at MCE. The work would be completed during summer break.

4.3 South Umpqua Emergency Operation Plan presented by Emily Veale, TCE Principal and Taylor Vian, SRO- Emily Veale presented the South Umpqua Emergency Operation Plan to the board. Mrs. Veale informed the board that a committee containing herself, Taylor Vian, Joe Motta, Dr. Hillyer and local law enforcement were involved in creating the EOP. Mrs. Veale informed the board that the district will start using "I love you guys" for lockdown that is what law enforcement in the county use, and this will ensure that district and law enforcement are using the same language and protocols in an emergency situation. The district will also be increasing the number of lock down drills annually.

4.4 Foundation Communication- Jeff Johnson reported that participation is low and that the foundation is looking to restructure and make meeting 1 hour or less.

5. Consent Agenda

- 5.1 Approval of Minutes: Regular Board Session, January 03, 2024, Special Board Meeting January 18, 2024, Special Board Meeting January 19, 2024 and Special Board Meeting January 29, 2024.
- 5.2 Second reading and board approval of board policy GCN/GDN
- 5.3 Donation of \$3000 from Johnson Holding INC. for SUHS Gift a Teen

Anandita Tiwari motioned, Kellyn Goodwin seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

6. New Business (action items)

- 6.1 Approve the employment of Superintendent of the South Umpqua School District- David Stevens motioned, Anandita Tiwari seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 6.2 Approve the Superintendent contract for the 2024-2025 school year- David Stevens motioned, Kellyn Goodwin seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 6.3 Approve Resolution 2024-02, Douglas ESD Local Service Plan Resolution- Anandita Tiwari motioned, David Stevens seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 6.4 Approve the South Umpqua Emergency Operation Plan- Anandita Tiwari motioned, Thomas Lebengood seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 6.5 Approve the intent to award the construction contract to Addcox in the amount of \$383,052.60 for the HVAC project at MCE.- Kellyn Goodwin motioned, Anandita Tiwari seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Executive Session held under:

~~In accordance with (ORS 192.660(2)(a)) To consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.~~

8. Announcements

- 8.1 Board Work Session, February 21, 2024, 6:15 pm
- 8.2 Board Regular Session, March 06, 2024, 6:15 pm

9. Board Member Communication

- 9.1 Board member comments- Kellyn Goodwin asked if the district was educating students about substance abuse. Rick Burton informed the board that the district has placed Narcan boxes in each campus and that all staff will have the opportunity to be trained how to use it. Dr. Hillyer reported that it was part of the health curriculum.
- 9.2 Board chair closing comments- Jeff Johnson thanked everyone for their work in the superintendent search.

10. Meeting adjourned – Meeting was adjourned at 7:03 pm