

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LAKE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 7
LAKE COUNTY, OREGON

Present: Pete Schreder, Chair
Stefani Roseberry, Vice-Chair
Darryl Anderson, Director
Desi Zamudio, Director
Dustin Gustaveson, Director
Sean Gallagher, Superintendent
Janet Melsness, Business Manager
Alanna Chamulak, Recording Secretary

Ex-Officio: Steve Prock, Secondary Principal
Will Cahill, Elementary Principal
Susan Warner, Union Head Teacher

Guests: Ruth Ann Meize, Robert Meize, Kevin Sturba, Bea Sturba, Chris Finetti, Abigail Finetti,
Miryka Donovan, Adam Albertson, Nikki Alberston

6:59 REGULAR SESSION OPEN

1. CALL TO ORDER

Presenter: CHAIR

1. 1. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

2. APPROVAL OR AMENDMENT OF MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

Presenter: CHAIR

2. 1. Approval and/or Amendment of Board Meeting Agenda Items

Presenter: CHAIR

Mr. Gallagher suggested that agenda item 6.1 be postponed due to the ASB student representative not being able to attend, move agenda item 9.2 up to 6.1 in Early Items. Mr. Anderson would like to add agenda item 12.1 Community College to Late Items and there is also the addition of agenda item 12.2 Coaching Recommendations to Late Items.

Dustin Gustaveson motioned and Stefani Roseberry seconded the motion to approve the agenda with the aforementioned changes. The motion passed unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Presenter: CHAIR

3. 1. Regular Session Minutes of February 9, 2015

Presenter: CHAIR

3. 2. Work Session Minutes of February 9, 2015

Stefani Roseberry motioned and Dustin Gustaveson seconded the motion to approve the Regular Session Minutes of February 9, 2015 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

Presenter: SUPERINTENDENT

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Presenter: CHAIR

6. EARLY ITEMS

Presenter: SUPERINTENDENT

6. 1. ASB Report

Presenter: ASB REPRESENTATIVE

This agenda item was postponed to the next board meeting.

6.2 Union Playground

Mrs. Warner introduced the parents from the Union School Parents Club that are in attendance. She stated that they would like to move forward with the Union School playground project with the Board of Directors approval. She explained that the Parent's Club. Mr. Roberts and Mrs. Melsness have both met with the committee to talk about how this project might play out. The Parents Club has volunteered to provide the labor under Mr. Robert's oversight. Mrs. Melsness explained that the goal is to schedule a week over the summer to organize the work that needs to be done. The total estimated cost of the project is \$32,700. The Parent's club has committed \$18,000 leaving \$14,700. Mr. Gustaveson asked how they are trying to come up with \$14,700. Miryka Donovan stated that there are some matching grants they can apply for. Mrs. Warner explained that they have not applied for any grants yet because they wanted approval from the Board of Director's in order to continue further with project. They are also asking for a \$5,000 contribution from the Board of Directors. Mr. Schreder asked where the \$5,000 will come from. Mrs. Melsness stated they can work into the budget for the next fiscal year or they pull money from the \$16,000 in this year's budget that listed as District Office and/or Union. Mrs. Warner talked through the plan. Mr. Roberts' idea is to cut out the existing asphalt because roots are growing through it making it a dangerous, uneven surface and to fill it in with wood chips. They will pour a cement pad to the South of where the playground is for basketball. The goal is to make it as maintenance free as possible. They will remove the wooden play structures, swings, and teeter

totters. They are looking at new swings, a rock climbing wall, safer teeter totters and more age appropriate play structures. Mr. Anderson asked how many students currently attend Union School. Mrs. Warner answered that right now there are 50. Mrs. Roseberry asked if structures purchased with money from the Parents Club will then become district property. The parents answered that they will. Mr. Anderson stated that we need a durable, permanent shed if that is what they elect to build. Mr. Gallagher stated that he would like to see some inclusion from Mr. Smith's students in the plans for the layout. Mr. Schreder agreed.

Darryl Anderson moved and Stefani Roseberry seconded the motion to approve the Union School Parent's Club playground proposal including the contribution of \$10,000 from the Board of Directors, the inclusion of planning and oversight by Mr. Roberts, and involvement with Mr. Smith's class. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Anderson stated that he would like to look at the plans for the basketball layout and the shed.

The Board of Directors let parents club know that the board appreciates their support and all of their work.

7. REPORTS

7. 1. Smarter Balanced Opt Out Process

Presenter: SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Gallagher explained that parents can opt out of Smarter Balanced testing for religious or special education reasons but that they must provide an alternative assessment for their child. The Eugene School District developed a document for other districts to reference; it is available on the Lake County School District 7 website. LCSD 7 has interest to encourage students to be tested because we are held accountable to a 94.5% testing rate. It is also the best tool for determining how students are progressing towards meeting graduation requirements. Mrs. Roseberry mentioned that she likes that parents would have to submit something in writing explaining why they do not want their child taking the Smarter Balanced assessment.

7. 2. School Ratings Update

Presenter: SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Gallagher explained that chief education officer Dr. Nancy Golden was able to secure a one year postponement of using Smarter Balanced assessments for school ratings. This means that Smarter Balanced tests will still be conducted but the district will not be held accountable for the results. This is a baseline year and everything after this year will be based on growth.

Mr. Zamudio asked Mr. Cahill what he thinks about this. Mr. Cahill said he thinks it's wonderful, he's not sure how we will place and this will give us the opportunity to see where we are. Mr. Prock said that if it were being reported, this score would account for about 65% of state report card. Mr. Zamudio asked Ruth Ann Meize what she thinks about it. She said it will be interesting to see how long they keep putting it off. She thinks things will keep coming up as a reason to keep extending it and there will be a lot of push back saying they shouldn't attach it to the report card. She explained that teachers do not know anything about the test and are not allowed to look at it, but then they are expected to use the test to evaluate their goals. Mrs. Roseberry brought up the pilot field test that the 4th graders took last year. Mr. Gallagher explained that the data has not been released because it wasn't a comprehensive evaluation. Mr. Cahill said all they got out of it was the kids got to experience the test. Mrs. Roseberry commented it's discouraging that they do not know the results, Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Cahill agreed.

7.3. Legislative Update

Presenter: SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Gallagher reviewed points from an email he received from Oregon Association of School Business Officials. There is the possibility of additional funding from the federal level. Mrs. Roseberry asked if the school district will get more money in total or if the state will adjust what we get. Mr. Gallagher said that the Oregon Department of Education takes a percentage off the top before they distribute federal funds.

Mr. Gallagher reviewed a poster that is being distributed with all of the organizations about the current proposed budget. At the \$7.235 billion figure there would be a loss of \$47/student. At the \$7.5 billion figure there would be an additional \$130/student. Mr. Gallagher stated that the \$7.5 billion would kind of be the districts break-even point. There is also a \$7.875 billion figure which is the first step in 10 year plan toward a \$9.5 billion figure. This would allow the district to start building back programs that have been cut. It would also allow a look at facilities programs. Mrs. Roseberry asked about the \$7.2 billion figure including full day kindergarten. Mr. Gallagher stated that in order to access that last \$.2 billion full day kindergarten must be implemented. He explained he would be concerned about adding the full day kindergarten if something else would need to be cut. Senator Tim Knopp just announced a bill to fund K-12 at \$8 billion. Mr. Zamudio asked about transition of governors and the impression that governor Kitzhaber was excited at the college level but not as much at K-12 and if that means the K-

12 level could receive more money under a new governor. Mr. Gallagher said he thinks it is too soon to tell where the new governor stands on those positions.

7. 4. OEIB Equity Lens

Presenter: SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Gallagher explained that the Equity Lens handout is a tool that Oregon Education Investment Board uses in their discussions. It can possibly be used in budget discussions.

7. 5. Instructional Hours

Presenter: SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Gallagher explained that his office has been in contact with representatives from the Oregon State Board of Education. Calendar building for the upcoming school year has been put on hold until information is received from them. He wants to see where the district is as far as the new instructional hours requirements. There are significant increases for K-3 and there is flexibility in new law for maximum hours required in one day.

7. 6. Financial Report

Presenter: JANET MELSNESS

Mrs. Melsness explained the 2014-2015 Revenue and Expenditure Summary. She mentioned the amount of \$82,000 listed as other revenue with the Education Service District. The ESD supports areas such as technology, counselor services, and salary matching. Some training is funded as well. The district receives \$329,000 per month from state school funding. She explained that salaries appear less for the pay period of December to January due to the way pay periods fall during winter break. Supplies have cost less this month and we are catching up to the budget in that area. Monthly expenditures are \$562,000. Mrs. Roseberry asked about the differences between last year and this year. Mrs. Melsness said to keep in mind transfers and cash carry over usually take place at the end of the year so that will consume some overages and the district added a few classified staff and one certified staff this year so that contributes to the differences.

7. 7. Meyer Memorial Grant

Presenter: SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Gallagher explained that the district has been awarded the Meyer Memorial Grant and will have more detailed information at the next meeting. LCSD 7 has been awarded \$300,000 on behalf of the Innovation and Learning Center (ILC). \$190,000 of that will be for the matching grant for the additional synchronous classrooms. The rest will go towards the construction

of Daly Middle School North Wing. The additional synchronous classrooms will offer more dual credit course opportunities for secondary students. There will be no out of pocket cost for the synchronous classrooms to the district. Mrs. Roseberry asked for an example of a course that is offered as dual credit. Mr. Gallagher stated that horticulture is offered through Klamath Community College (KCC) as well as some business classes, a comprehensive list of dual credit classes will be brought to the next meeting. Mr. Gallagher explained that KCC wants to align their schedule with the Lakeview High School schedule for the convenience of students attending both schools and that is the reason for the higher cost per credit in order to compensate professors. The stipulations of the grant include a long term commitment to ILC. If KCC leaves Lakeview then the synchronous equipment would become school district or county property. Mrs. Roseberry asked when the start date would be. Mr. Gallagher explained that KCC would like it to start in the fall. Memorandums of Understanding are in the process of being created. The USDA Grant will be delivered to KCC on behalf of all of the school districts involved and the Meyer Memorial Grant will be granted to LCSD 7 with matching funds going to KCC on behalf of the other districts. Chris Finetti asked about DMS North wing cost and time line. Mrs. Melsness said the hope is to be done by the end of the summer. She will be putting out requests for proposals for 3 separate bidding options.

8. OLD BUSINESS

Presenter: CHAIR

9. NEW BUSINESS

Presenter: CHAIR

9. 1. Classified Employee Appreciation Week Resolution - March 2-6, 2015

Presenter: SUPERINTENDENT

Mrs. Roseberry asked what will be done for the staff. Mr. Cahill said they will hold a luncheon for the staff. The Board of Directors will take flowers to lunch and will coordinate with district staff.

Stefani Roseberry moved and Dustin Gustaveson seconded the motion to approve the classified employee appreciation week resolution as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

9. 2. Union Playground Approval

Presenter: SUSAN WARNER

Moved to Early Items.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. LATE ITEMS

Presenter: CHAIR

12.1 Community College

Mr. Anderson stated that KCC it is a real asset to the community and he wants to make sure it stays here. Because there is no guarantee that KCC will stay he believes that a community college taxing district needs to be established. There is no current taxing district. Currently KCC's revenue is made up of the county commissioners contributions each year and tuition. There must be 300 full-time students before a taxing district is required. Mr. Zamudio stated the school board would have to present something to the commissioners to create a taxing district. Mr. Schreder stated that North Lake is a taxing district and someone could possibly talk to them and see what works for them. Everyone agrees that it is beneficial to the community for KCC to stay in Lakeview. Mr. Gallagher believes the ILC Governance Committee should be involved in the discussion and they may possibly take on the responsibility.

12.2 Volunteer Coaching Recommendations

Mr. Prock explained the volunteer coaching recommendations to the Board of Directors. Most of the coaches have previously been involved with the district.

Desi Zamudio moved and Dustin Gustaveson seconded the motion to accept the volunteer coaching recommendations as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

13. NEXT BOARD MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

Presenter: CHAIR

Meyer Memorial, ILC funding, Dual credit list, possible Union playground update, graduation and drop-out rate.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Presenter: CHAIR

8:29 PM **REGULAR SESSION CLOSE**

Board Chair

Superintendent