

DUFUR SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
December 6, 2021

Chairman Anne Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Board members present, Stan Ashbrook, Robert Wallace and Monica Byer. Cynthia Kortge was absent. Guests; Steven & Marilyn Ronfeld Sean & Leona Egeland, Michael Glover, Kellie Archer.

GUESTS & PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment was heard.

CONSENT AGENDA - Items on the Consent Agenda:

- Board Minutes – November 1, 2021

Monica moved the consent agenda be approved. Stan seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Ranger Tech Report – Leona reported starting career counseling from kindergarten through high school can help even the younger children understand the reason for learning. Finding what each student's aptitude is will assist them in getting there. The Baker Technical Institute has been in operation for 6 years and has developed CTE programs. They will be coming to Dufur in June with mobile units.
Programs

Financial Report – Virginia reported at the end of October the Foundation account balance was \$2,178,858.00. \$178,949 of that is for CTE and administration of the foundation. The balance is in scholarship accounts. Property Tax revenue received in November totaled \$1,512,662. 65 for General Fund and Debt Service. Due to reduced enrollment, overall, in Oregon school districts ODE reallocated the School Support Fund resulting in Dufur receiving an additional \$163,514.00 than we were awarded in the March 2021 estimate.

Dean of Students Report – Kristin reported 355 students in K-12 which includes, 27 in pre-school students, and 12 Ranger Academy for a total of 394 students. The holiday music program will be held Dec. 9th. ASB is holding a clothing drive, and NHS is holding a canned food drive. Our counseling office is working with all ages of students, but especially midlevel and high school on appropriate relationships. Vaping and drug use in the bathrooms have become a problem. Kristin is purchasing Vaping Detectors for the bathrooms. Debbie Jones will be providing a staff training for staff to assist with behavior tracking and intervention. HAVEN will be here in January. ASB is working on activities for students that make good choices to celebrate good behavior.

Superintendents/A.D. Report – Jack reported the most recent revenue forecast is strong. Both the personal and corporate Kicker will be in effect. Current activities are going well and are well attended by our students. The Career and Technical Education Grant Application is moving forward. Jack is working on support from the tribes, and is meeting this week to view the current status. The stock panels will be up this week, at the city property, and we will have 2 steers in there shortly. The Foundation received \$5,000.00 from the Weidner Family Trust. The goal is to develop an AG Scholarship for Dufur Graduates.

The winter athletic turnout is strong. OSAA final redistricting plan will be approved December 13th. The changes do not affect 1-A schools much. Changes are counting student's freshman through Juniors with a 3-year average. Steve Burgett, a past student and athlete from the Dufur High School Class of 1987 passed away recently from a sudden illness.

OLD BUSINESS

Foundation Development – Following discussion at the last meeting about the relationship of the Ranger Pride Education Foundation and the Dufur School District, the district has hired a consultant to review our business practices. That report will be available at the January meeting. Board members present reviewed the questions from the November meeting and responses from Cynthia. Members were concerned that when all the current board members are gone that the foundation is administered for the benefit of Dufur School District, and which entity will manage the finances and various aspects of the foundation. Stan stated respecting the wishes of the founders of each scholarship, and the rules for each is essential. Each family needs to direct the use of the funds in their scholarship into the future. Board consensus was to wait for the consultant’s report and further consider the best way to proceed.

Board Policy AC-LBE – Board members heard the second reading of these policies and discussed the policy pertaining to firearms on district property, including concealed weapons. Jack will check with other districts also.

NEW BUSINESS

Superintendents Contract – Board members review the Superintendents contract. Monica moved to approve the superintendent contract for 2021 – 2024. Robert seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Four Day School Week – Kristin review the documentation received so far on a four-day instruction week with Fridays used for CTE and alternative, including feedback from staff and parent surveys. She will share proposed schedules at the January meeting.

School Based Health Center Planning Grant – A grant application for \$30,000.00 to establish a School Based Health Center was discussed. After the receipt of the initial grant we would be eligible to apply for a \$60,000.00 implementation grant. Stan moved to approve the planning grant. Monica seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Having no additional business, the meeting was adjourned.

Board Chairman

Board Secretary