

SOUTH WASCO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

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**Regular Board Meeting
HS Meeting room and Zoom**

**Monday, March 14, 2022
6:00 p.m.**

ATTENDANCE

Board Members: Chairperson Josh Thompson, Vice-Chairperson Joan Stark, Kevin Duling, Tamarra Ferguson, Melissa Huntley, Paul Koerschgen, and Rob Miles.

Administration: Superintendent Ryan Wraught, Principal Mark Endsley, Business Manager Aimee Hovis.

SWCSD Staff: Josh Kurtz, Jim Hull, Jorma Henson, Jamie Sowell, Marla Rethwill.

Others: Alan (no last name given), Jordan Belozar, Jon Boggs, Nedley Cole, Robert Dais, Kevin Duree, Scott Marshall, Jade McCoy, Gretchen McCoy, Nick Rilatt, Robert's iPhone, Ellen Skeeter-Stevens, Pat Sublette.

2021-22 BUDGET HEARING

1. **CALL TO ORDER 6 p.m.**
2. **RECESS BUDGET HEARING 6 p.m.**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER 6:01 p.m.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA BY BOARD MEMBERS**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
 - Motion: Tamarra Ferguson moved to approve the agenda.
 - Second: Joan Stark.
 - Motion passed unanimously.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - A. Regular Board Minutes on Jan. 10, 2021 approval
 - B. Bond Meeting Minutes, Jan. 20, 2021 approval
 - C. Acknowledge Payment of Bills
 - D. Personnel Report

Motion: Tamarra Ferguson moved to approve the consent agenda.
Second: Melissa Huntley.
Motion passed unanimously.

6. RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS

- A. Local Service Plan
 - Pat Sublette from the Columbia Gorge Education Service District presented a summary of the many areas the CGESD supports South Wasco County School District. Some of the areas they support SWCSD#1 are:
 - Speech Pathology
 - Early Special Education
 - Technology Services
 - Native American Services
 - CET grant
 - Homeschool attendance tracking
 - Migrant education services

- School safety

B. Straightline Architecture

Schott Marshal gave an update on the bond construction progress.

K-8 gym building and site ADA upgrades

- Metal building almost done with engineering.
- Foundation design will be completed 3/17/2022.
- Permit drawings for metal building will be sent to Straightline for plan integration on 4/1/2022.

HS Re-roof

- Was designed and bid last fall but was delayed due to materials procurement and winter weather.
- Will start late spring.

HS Power Service Upgrade

- Power service and HVAC upgrade has been designed.
- State date of work will depend on utility company transformer availability.

Other Bond Projects: Includes specialized construction that would not be easily accomplished using school building funds

- K-8 gym/cafeteria/kitchen is scheduled for summer 2022 and summer 2023.
- HS restroom renovations.
- HS HVAC upgrades.
- HS Classroom re-purposing to accomplish all classrooms on upper floor.
- Modular removal and moving math & counseling into the main building.

7. INFORMATIONAL

A. Athletic Director/Dean's Report.....Jim Hull/Jamie Sowell

- High school basketball winter awards will be held on March 30th.
- Six baseball players are playing with Dufur
- Basketball summary:
We had a very successful year. The HS girls team had a 15-8 record. They missed going to state by one game. HS boys had a 25-1 record. They were district champions and 2nd in state. This was the most games the boys have one in school history. A special thank you to everyone that came and supported both teams. There were many people in the send offs and send ins.
- Track summary:
Practice will start for HS tomorrow. We are hoping to have district track in Maupin this spring. Junior high track will begin after spring break. They will practice 4 days a week.
- STEM Report:
Last weekend the team went to the state championships in Hillsboro. Regional was held in Gladstone. There are 372 STEM teams in the whole state. The South Wasco team was in the top 10% of the state. Students from SWC compete with much larger schools and are not divided into leagues based on school size, so students are competing with all various sizes of schools. This year 66% of the STEM club were 1st year participants. VEV robotic sets for K-12 were purchased thru a CGEDS grant. The STEM club will start presenting and working with the grade school with these kits. It was a very exciting season. Thank you to Mark Endsley and two board members for attending the state tournament. Thank you also for the community support that cheered the team back from state by the roadways in The Dalles, Tygh Valley, at the junction and Maupin.

B. Principal's Report.....Mark Endsley

- Met with high school seniors that are at risk of not graduating and have plans set up

for all of them thru credit recovery, GED, or taking an additional year at the high school.

- Followed up on some HS seniors that have attendance occurrences.
- On time graduation advising for the Junior class was completed.
- District received a CTE grant for \$36,000 for equipment, which will build on the emerging plan for engineering CTE programs. Working with CGCC and providing release time for teachers to meet with other district teachers to share practices in the CTE program.
- Community outreach dinners have been planned for 8th grade parents. Two will be in Maupin, one at the Wamic grange, and one at Simnasho. Dates for the dinners are posted on the school web page.
- The school had elementary, JH, and HS OBOB teams. The state tournament was cancelled and OBOB coaches from the area are trying to organize a regional competition.

C. Superintendent's Report.....Ryan Wrought

- HS hosted watch parties for the community to see the basketball game on the large blow up screen in the gym. There was a good turnout. The first game had about 50 people and second game had around 82 in attendance. Thank you to the kitchen staff who made food and refreshments without being asked.
- Six kids will be participating in the Summer trades program with Dufur. A coordinator from Dufur will visit with students. This is with Baker Technical Institute.
- Applied for a seismic grant which has a potential of a \$2.5 million grant award.

8. BOARD DISCUSSION

A. DRAC Update

- Waiting for warmer weather before the top is laid on track.
- Michael Bergman was able to help locate used but good quality track equipment. Jesuit High School in Portland will be providing a full high jump, and pole vault. Scappoose High School is providing a pole vault pit, 80 hurdles, a cover for the pit, and starting blocks.
- Next DRAC meeting will be this Thursday.
- Football goal posts are up.
- Currently \$325,000 short on funding for lights.

B. Budget Priorities and Listening Session

The budget priorities include:

- Stability items
- Adjustments in PERS
- Contractual obligations
- Sustainability
- Increase in fuel costs
- Personnel – maintain all positions
- Intervention program for K-3rd, and 4th-8th
- Learning Center Model
- SPED Teacher
- Music Teacher
- Pathways with Dufur and CGCC
- Administrative Assistant
- Curriculum
- Building fund-fencing
- Transportation fund-District is paying off 2 buses this year and would like to keep purchasing rotation to phase out older buses
- Technology fund to maintain one-to-one

C. 1st Reading of Policies; GBA, GBEA, IB, IIA, IJ, JB, JECB

GENDER IDENTITY DEFINITION-Summary- House Bill 3041 (2021) revised the statutory definition of sexual orientation (removed gender identity) and created a new definition for gender identity.

GBA - Equal Employment Opportunity, Required Policy

- Small language update suggested by OSBA to better articulate compliance with HB 3041.

GBEA - Workplace Harassment, Required Policy

- Small language update suggested by OSBA to better articulate compliance with HB 3041.
- This is a new policy for the district; we have had policies for Harassment, etc, but it appears we did not have this specific policy.

IB - Freedom of Expression, Required Policy

- Small language update suggested by OSBA to better articulate compliance with HB 3041.

IIA - Instructional Resources/Instructional Materials, Highly Recommended Policy

- Small language update suggested by OSBA to better articulate compliance with HB 3041.

IJ - School Counseling Program, Highly Recommended Policy

- Small language update suggested by OSBA to better articulate compliance with HB 3041.

JB - Equal Education Opportunity, Required Policy

- Small language update suggested by OSBA to better articulate compliance with HB 3041.

JECB - Admission of Nonresident Students, Highly Recommended

- Small language update suggested by OSBA to better articulate compliance with HB 3041.
- 2021-22 outgoing inter-district agreements.
 - Students leaving the district on inter-district agreements - for 2022-23 - 10 students is a reasonable number for this.
 - Students entering the district on inter-district agreements - for 2022-23 - 20 students is a reasonable number for this.

9. BOARD ACTION ITEMS

A. Local Service Plan

Motion: Tamarra Ferguson moved to approve the Local Service Plan presented by CGEDS.

Second: Rob Miles.

Motion passed unanimously.

B. 2nd Reading/Adoption of Policies: ACB, IGBHA, DJC

Motion: Joan Stark moved to approve adopt policies: ACB, IGBHA, DJC.

Second: Rob Miles.

Motion passed unanimously.

C. Updated: 2022-23 Budget Calendar

Motion: Rob Miles moved to approve the updated 2022-2023 Budget Calendar.

Second: Melissa Huntley.

Motion passed unanimously.

D. Appoint Budget Committee Members

Board needs to appoint Budget Committee Members for position 8, 12 and 14.

Motion: Tamarra Ferguson moved to appoint Rick Leeper to position 8 on the Budget Committee.

Second: Paul Koerschgen.

Motion passed unanimously.

E. OSBA Dinner and Listening Session

The OSBA Dinner and Listening Session is scheduled on the same day as April's school board meeting. Board decided to move date of April school board meeting.

Motion: Tamarra Ferguson moved to the April school board meeting to Wednesday, April 13th.

Second: Joan Stark.

Motion passed unanimously.

10. BOARD GOALS

- A. 2021-22 goals are located on the district webpage

11. COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE ABOUT AGENDA/NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Jamie Sowell wished everyone a happy Pi Day.
- B. Josh Kurtz shared that the grade school celebrated Read Across America Day on March 2nd. Grade school students were mixed in groups with different grade level student in each group. Kids did a literacy activity. Mrs. Gibson did an activity with balloons. Mrs. Carter had kid decorate underpants. Mr. Kurtz had student make origami bookmarks. The district paid for one book per child. Thank you for the district in providing K-2nd grade book bags. K-2nd grade students take home level appropriate books home each night. The district paid to have over 3,000 books added to the classrooms in K-2nd.

12. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Superintendent Evaluation Materials
- Materials were given to school board to do yearly evaluation of superintendent. Board member will individually evaluate and Joan Stark volunteer to consolidate scores to review together at the next board meeting.

13. RECESS REGULAR BOARD MEETING/RECONVENE BUDGET HEARING at 7:27 p.m.

1. 2021-22 Budget Amendment Discussion
- Fund 260- Special Fund –ESSER Resolution 2022-03-01: after the 2021-22 budget was approved school districts in Oregon were notified that there would be an ESSER III. The resolution will approve additional funds into the ESSER Special Fund.

2. Motion to adopt 2021-22 Budget Amendment Resolution 2022-03-01

Motion: Rob Miles moved to approve the Budget Amendment Resolution 2022-03-01.

Second: Joan Stark.

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Motion to adopt 2021-22 Budget Amendment Resolution 2022-03-02

Motion: Rob Miles moved to approve the Budget Amendment Resolution 2022-03-02.

Second: Joan Stark.

Motion passed unanimously.

4. Adjournment of 2021-22 Budget Hearing

14. ADJOURN BUDGET HEARING at 7:31 p.m.

15. RECONVENE REGULAR BOARD MEETING at 7:31 p.m.

16. RECESS TO EXEC. SESSION at 7:35 p.m.

Under (ORS 192.660(2)(b)) To hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or agent.

17. RECONVENE TO REGULAR BOARD MEETING FOR ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION at 8:31 p.m.

- A. Robert Dais presented recommendations to the school board and administration based on his formal complaint investigation.

Motion: Rob Miles moved to accept Robert Dais's formal report.

Second: Tamarra Ferguson.

Motion passed unanimously.

18. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING at 9:44 p.m.

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SWCSD Staff: Josh Kurtz, Marla Rethwill.

Others: Robert Dais

Robert Dais was hired by South Wasco County School District #1 to conduct a confidential investigation on a formal complaint filed.

Mr. Dais provided a summary of findings and conclusions based on his investigation. A paper copy of the report was provided to the school board members.

South Wasco County School District is an equal opportunity employer.
Current personnel policies are available for review in the District office.