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Regular Board Meeting
District Meeting Room

Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2020
6:00 p.m.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS AND OTHERS PRESENT

Board Members Present: Melissa Huntley, Rob Miles, Tamarra Ferguson, Carol Mitchell

Board Members Absent: Josh Thompson, Joan Stark, Howard Fetz

Admins Present: Ryan Wraught, Lynn Cowdrey, and Aimee Hovis

Others Present: Josh Kurtz, Marla Rethwill, and Scott Marshall from Straightline, and Patricia Sublette from Columbia Gorge ESD

1. CALL TO ORDER at 6 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA BY BOARD MEMBERS

- A. Adding ESD Budget Committee Member to Board Action Items.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- A. Motion was made by Rob Miles to approve the agenda. Second was made by Tamarra Ferguson. Motion approved unanimously.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Regular Board for Jan. 15, 2020 approval*
B. Acknowledge Payment of Bills*
C. Personnel Report
D. Contracts
E. Motion was made by Rob Miles to approve the agenda.
Second was made by Melissa Huntley. Motion approved unanimously.

5. RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS

- A. Facilities Bond Committee Results
- Scott Marshall reviewed recommendations of district building improvements and deferred maintenance, in addition to new construction. These came from discussions and recommendations from the Bond Committee Members.
 - Review of timeline to apply for the Oregon School Capital Improvement Matching Program (OSCIM) grant as well as timeline leading up to the Bond going on the November 2020 ballot.
- B. Local Service Plan
- Patricia Sublette presented to the board an overview of the services provided by the Columbia Gorge ESD. Below are some of the support services that SWCSD receives from the ESD:
 - SLP and flow thru for SLPA
 - Technology Support
 - Early Intervention
 - Early Childhood Intervention
 - Psychological Evaluation
 - Internet connectivity
 - Native American Liaison
 - School Improvement Services
 - Migrant Education Support
 - Homeschooling Support
 - Chronic Absenteeism
 - Emergency Operations Support– wildfire, epidemics, etc.
 - Student Based Health Grant

6. INFORMATIONAL

A. AD/Dean of Students Report.....Jim Hull

- Basketball season is going very well.
 - HS Girls are currently ranked 4th in districts.
 - HS Boys are ranked 1st.
 - District Basketball tournament will be Feb 21st
 - Girls play at 6 p.m.
 - Boys at 7 p.m.
 - Ticket are \$8 dollars per day or \$14 for both days.
- Track season starts March 9th.
- Co-Op Sports
 - High School has 2 student playing softball and 2 baseball players
- Sherman High has offered to host football games for next season due to Track project construction.

B. Principal's Report.....Lynn Cowdrey

- Regular attenders are increased this month, but not at our goal.
- Grade school doing monthly spirit assembly with high attendance is recognized.
 - Some GS classrooms have created door signs saying "Our class is at 100% attendance" to promote pride in attendance.
- Behavior report
 - District Referral total: 45 for 26 students
 - District Events: 10 for 9 students
- Grade report
 - 7th-12th grade students
 - 24 had one failing grade
 - 11 had more than one failing grade
 - 7 had more than 50% of their classes with failing
 - 11 of 33 were on honor roll
 - 7 had a 4.0 GPA
- HS Art and biology is going on a field trip to OMSI
- Grade school students had their art displayed at The Dalles Art Center. Some classes did field trips to The Dalles to view artwork from students across the county.
- Many grade school classes celebrated the 100 day of school in February.
- Feb 21st- no school
- Music classes for the grade school is going to start Feb 24th. Paris McCartney has been hired to teach on Tuesdays and Thursdays. At this time vocal and drums classes will be provided.

C. Superintendent's Report.....Ryan Wraught

- Columbia Gorge Extended Learning – Ryan will follow up with information gained at the next superintendent meeting to the board next month.
- Transportation –
 - The district does not have GPS tracking on the buses. Ryan will follow up during the summer to see what it takes to get GPS tracking so parents have an idea of what times buses arrive at drop off times which will be helpful for late evening returns from extracurricular events.
 - Cameras: Each bus currently has 4 cameras. District is looking into having a 10 camera system.
- Butterfly garden- Initial recommendations from the garden club was declined due to utility lines present and sprinkler system was just replaced in area. The new location will be left of old building. This location already has water connected.
- Researching property that the district owns in Tygh Valley, which is near the old baseball field and Wamic. There is 1.3 acres in Wamic that someone is interested in purchasing. Tygh Valley is zoned for residential. Wamic property is a triangle and people that owns would like easement. Ryan is asking Dennis Beechler for

additional information.

- Grant with Wasco county – Ryan is looking into an emergency prep grant. This is because the district would be a center for people to come during emergency situation. The grant would pay for generators. The district would be responsible for 25% of the costs. The grant application is due early March. More information will be reported to the school board.

7. BOARD DISCUSSION

- A. DRAC – Track Project
- Meeting Monday- 2 weeks out on scope of services. At that time the committee will know what contractors will be doing work.
 - Ron White is coordinating with engineering services.
 - Wasco Electric interested in lighting updates.
 - Corp coming in April. March 2nd at 9 am.
- B. 1st Reading Policies: EEA, JEA, JEC, JECA
- Changes for voluntary students in residential programs, and military students.
- C. Student Success Progress
- SIA – community input time
 - Mental Health
 - Improving Academic Outcomes – Math Focus,
- D. Supts. Evaluation
- The Board will be reviewing evaluation and during March Board Meeting will have an executive sessions to discuss and rate the evaluation.

8. BOARD ACTION ITEMS

- A. Local Service Plan
- Motion was made by Tamarra Ferguson to approve the ESD Local Service Plan. Second was made by Melissa Huntly. Motion approved unanimously.
- B. Review/Approval of Admin. Rule: AC-AR
- Motion was made by Rob Miles to approve “Rule: AC-AR”. Second was made by Tamarra Ferguson. Motion approved unanimously.
- C. Bond Amount Approval/OSCIM Grant Approval
- Motion was made by Rob Miles to approve to accept the resolution for the general obligation bond for SWCSD. Second was made by Tamarra Ferguson. Motion approved unanimously.
- D. 2020-21 Budget Calendar
- Motion was made by Rob Miles to approve the 2020-2021 Budget Calendar. Second was made by Melissa Huntley. Motion approved unanimously
- E. ESD Budget Committee Members
- May 6th at 7pm Building 2 at CGCC second floor
 - Motion was made by Rob Miles that Carol Mitchell will represent SWCSD on the ESD Budget Committee. Second was made by Melissa Huntley

9. BOARD GOALS

The goals are posted on the website at www.swasco.net

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

- The 4th grade class would like to invite board to bingo tomorrow at 6-8 p.m. at Imperial Restaurant. Funds will be used toward field trip expenses.
- There will be bingo every Thursday until March 23rd, different school

organization/clubs will be hosting the bingo night.

- Bonds conference – Rob Miles attended a COSA Bond conference. He learned that 80% of bonds passed in 2019 and that when speaking to the community regarding the bond, we should be focusing on the “yes” voters.

11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Student Count – District 229 High School 71 Junior High 36 Grade School 122
- B. Regular Attenders
- C. Discipline Events

12. RECESS TO EXEC. SESSION under 192.660 (2)(d)

- A. No executive session

13. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING at 8:17 p.m.