

DUFUR SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 2, 2022

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 5:00 P.M. – ORS 192.660 (2)(a)

REGULAR SESSION

Chairman Anne Kelly called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Members present; Stan Ashbrook, Robert Wallace, Cynthia Kortge, and Jana Hage.

GUESTS & PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment was heard.

CONSENT AGENDA - Items on the Consent Agenda:

- Board Minutes – April 4, 2022

Robert moved to approve the consent agenda. Cynthia seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Ranger Tech – Leona Egeland reported meeting with the other CTE teachers and Brooke. June 13th she and Esther Ferguson-Young will have their restricted teaching licenses. The BTI classes for forklift, ODOT, and First Aide classes the summer are filling up. The Roundhouse grant for \$20,000 was awarded in the amount of \$25,000.

Financial Report – Virginia reported on district fund balances as of April 30, 2022. Final grant funding draws from ODE-EGMS are being made to finish out this year’s grants. The public budget committee meeting to present the 2022/23 proposed budget will be held May 16th.

Dean of Students Report – Kristin reported current enrollment is 356 K-12 and 29 in Preschool. Largest classes are 2nd grade with 37, and kindergarten with 34 students. She congratulated our five valedictorians: Gabe Petroff, Aileen Carrillo, Piper Neal, Hanna Kortge, and Morgan Olson and our two salutatorians: Ashley Bailey and Emily Crawford. We have ordered 8 Cisco Meraki environmental disturbance (Vaping detecting) devices that will be installed in the upper gym, vocational, high school, and cafeteria bathrooms this summer. April 22nd MyDay Friday was a great success with students participating in the Walk-a-Thon, bowling, fishing, golfing, and an obstacle course provided by the National Guard. The next MyDay Friday will include an artist in residence, field trips, and Tom Olson will give an excavation careers presentation. Summer School enrollment closed with all classes full, a total of 91 students. Classes will start June 14th and run Tuesdays-Thursdays through July 7th. Studies will focus on reading and math for elementary, and ELA, health & wellness, business, and career exploration for mid/high school. Outside presenters include Arts in Education of the Gorge, OSA Extension doing a fun music project, OMSI doing a hand-on physics activity, PE, STEM, outdoor education, pool time and a Robotics camp.

Superintendent/Ad Reports – Jack reported we should hear about the 2.5-million-dollar Seismic Renovation Grant by the month. This grant would be used for the lower gym roof and reinforcing block walls on the old locker rooms. Donations for new scoreboard(s) for the gym in memory of Walter Hanna and Grant Mead are being collected. Teacher Appreciation Week is May 2-6th and something is planned each day to show our staff how much we appreciate them. We are receiving a lot of calls from families outside this district to come here. Dufur will not be accepting any outside students this year, as our classes are currently filled.

End of year sports activities include District and State Golf May 8-10th and May 15-17th. District & State Track May 14th and May 18-19th. State Baseball 2nd Round will be played May 25th hosted here. The Qtr.-Final game will be May 27th and hosted here if we win our 2nd Round game. OSAA Virtual Ticketing is to be used for all OSAA games, if possible, instead of cash although cash will be accepted.

Foundation Report – Cynthia reported scholarship interviews will be held May 5th with 13 Seniors submitting applications. JWD interviews will be May 18th with 12 Seniors applying. The Gold Benefit is May 21st and \$26,700 of sponsorships have been sold. The Senior awards and scholarship night is May 1st. In addition to awarding of scholarships the Foundation Board will award the first outstanding educator awards for elementary, mid-level, and high school. Students earned community service hours assisting with the Walk-a-Thon and Gravel Grind.

OLD BUSINESS

2022/23 District Calendar – The board heard the final reading of district calendars for 2022/23. Since we are just starting the pilot MyDay Friday program we have 2 calendars; MyDay Friday and one that rolls over the regular 5-day schedule. The MyDay calendar reduces the instruction by 4 days but has more instructional time due to increasing daily time by 10 minutes. Cynthia moved to approve both calendars with determination of the final calendar made on June 6th. Jana seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

JWD Trustee Activities – Trustees met April 15th and discussed the benefits and risks of multi-year scholarships. After discussion the following adjustments will be made to the JWD By-Laws.

- Percentage caps of the allowable funds on selection day will be 5% for year one, 1.5% for year two, 0.75% for year three, and 0.25% for year four.
- To receive a multi-year scholarship, the awardees need to check in with the board/selection committee prior to receiving the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th year funds on an annual basis.
 1. The purpose of this change is to be a support/mentor/guide for our awardees.
 2. A call from a volunteer or board member in the first term of college is also encouraged for support.

The Trustees discussed Home School Candidates and their eligibility for grants. Some home school students are very involved in Dufur School activities. They voted the bylaws need to reflect home school candidates will have a separate one-off vote for eligibility. The Trustees also discussed the length of time a student must attend Dufur School to be eligible for a JWD scholarship. It was agreed that any student applying is eligible regardless of how long the student has been at Dufur. The Trustees also discussed edits to the bylaws and agreed the entire bylaws need updated.

Policy INC Controversial Speakers – Board members heard the 2nd reading of this policy.

Health Education Review Committee – Jack recommended the forming a committee to review all state standards in Health Education and Health Education Curriculum Standards to develop the best way to present them to our students. He recommended the following committee members, Parents: Amanda Huelle, Chelsie Gibson, Sabrina Kittelson, Mike Reffett, Hollie Clausen, Brittini Clark. Community Members: Tim Fain and Esther Ferguson-Young. School Employees: Kristin Whitley, Jack Henderson, Lindsey Black, Tiffany Kenslow, and Kamala Malcolm. School Board Member: Cynthia Kortge or Anne Kelly. Only one school board member will attend each committee meeting. The first review meeting is scheduled for May 9th. Stan moved to approve formation of the Health Education Review Committee. Robert seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

District Goal Review/Development - Board members reviewed the 21/22 district goals. An addition recommended for 2022/23 is following up with graduates to support them in completing their post-graduation goals. Continue developing Career Pathways, and Ag Engagement.

Hire Speech & Language Pathologist – Monica Byers is returning to the area and is available to fill our Speech & Language position. South Wasco County School District is interested in contracting for one day per week of her time. Stan moved to hire Monica Byers for the 2022/23 school year. Cynthia seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Having no additional business, the meeting was adjourned.

Board Chairman

Board Secretary