

SHERMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
WORK SESSION MINUTES
August 10, 2015

The Board of Directors of Sherman County School District met in the Sherman County Public/School Library Meeting Room in Moro, Oregon on August 10, 2015 for a Work Session. The following were present: Chair, Bill Martin; Vice Chair, Angie Thompson; Directors: Kyle Blagg, Jim Macnab, Merrie von Borstel; Superintendent, Wes Owens; Administrator, Bill Blevins; Dean of Students, Cindie King; Business Manager, Kim McKinney; Confidential Secretary, Jeanie Pehlke

WORK SESSION

Superintendent Owens opened the work session at 6:01 p.m. with a Power Point presentation outlining goal setting strategies and defining board and superintendent responsibilities.

Following the presentation the Board began to work on developing a 2015-16 Statements, Values and Priorities document. The Board reviewed the current Vision statement that reads, *"The Board of Directors and staff of the Sherman County School District value children and education as their highest priorities and uphold the motto, **"Working Together to Put Student Success First."*** Bill Martin, Angie Thompson and Jim Macnab all stated that they like the Vision statement as presented. The Board moved on to the Mission Statement which reads, *"Sherman County Schools, in partnership with its community citizens, will provide all students with an education which produces responsible and informed citizens, able to adjust, grow, and make positive contributions to a rapidly changing world."* Kyle Blagg, Angie Thompson and Bill Martin all expressed their approval of the Mission Statement as it was presented. Finally, the four District Values were examined. *(1) Public schools belong to people who create them, are only as strong as the support received from an informed public, and support for education is based on knowledge and understanding of the schools. (2) Quality education is the result of motivated students, well-prepared staff members and supportive parents. (3) All students can be held to rigorous intellectual standards. (4) All students can be expected to succeed when offered appropriate opportunities.* After a great deal of discussion, Board members considered changing the third District Value to read, *"All students will be held to high expectations."*


Goals

The Board was then given an opportunity to discuss potential goals and points of emphasis. With time running short, it was determined that there may be time in the regular board meeting to revisit the goals.


In addition, there was not time in the work session to discuss Board Meeting Agenda Format or Board Trainings.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.



Chair, Bill Martin



Confidential Secretary, Jeanie Pehlke