

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION
Regular Board Meeting
April 16, 2012 / 1:00 PM
Humanities Room, Jr/Sr High School

The Board of School Trustees of the Oregon-Davis School Corporation met in Regular Session on Monday afternoon, April 16, 2012 , at 1:00 p.m. in the Humanities Room of the Jr/Sr High School, pursuant to the rules of the Board.

Chris Lawrence, President of the Board of School Trustees, who presided, called the meeting to order. Elliott Ferch led the Pledge of Allegiance. Jerry Pearish gave prayer.

Present: Mrs. Shirley Budka
Mr. Christopher Lawrence
Mr. Seth Huitt
Mr. Jerry Pearish

Absent:

Others Present: Dr. Steven Disney - Superintendent,
Mrs. Julie McLiver - Recording Secretary, Mr. Ed Volk, school attorney, Mr. Briles, Mr. Bennett, Mrs. Flaughner, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Minix, Mr. Coatie, Mrs. Hensler, members of the Girls Basketball Team, members of the Senior Class.

Mr. Lawrence then introduced Mr. Volk who then explained the format for the school board meeting.

Recognition of Visitors - Recognition of Mr. William Coatie for service to Oregon-Davis School Corporation. All of the board members expressed their appreciation to Mr. Coatie. Dr. Disney acknowledged the board's sentiments and expressed appreciation to Mr. Coatie for the many hours he spent working and being a role-model for not only the basketball team members but for all the students. Mr. Minix also said a few words and wished Mr. Coatie the best of luck in his new position. Dr. Disney presented Mr. Coatie with a plaque acknowledging his contributions to the school. Mr. Coatie was then given the opportunity to speak. He thanked the school community for the time he was able to spend here and said he will continue to cheer for Oregon-Davis.

Mr. Lawrence then asked for a motion to make Item F an active business item to be voted upon. Mrs. Budka made that motion. Mr. Huitt seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

The consensus agenda was presented as follows:

- Agenda - April 16, 2012
- Minutes of the Regular Session - March 19, 2012
- Financial Reports
- Presentation of Claims
 - Vendor Claims - \$218,925.89
 - Payroll Claims - \$252,641.19
- Programs
- Personnel
 - Resignations and Non-Renewals
 - Retirement
 - Employment and Transfers
 1. Stephanie Ferch - Junior High Track Coach for 2011-2012
 2. Ryan Julian - Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach for 2011-2012
- Leave Requests
- Use of Facilities - Oregon-Davis Schools, May 8, 2012 for the purpose of holding the primary election.

Mr. Pearish made a motion to approve the Consensus Agenda as presented. Mrs. Budka seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Huitt made a motion to consider entering into a Tax Anticipation Warrant Agreement for the Spring of 2012. Mr. Pearish seconded the motion. Dr. Disney explained what a TAW is. This is used to maintain a steady cash flow for the purpose of paying the normal bills. This starts the beginning of this process.

Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Pearish made a motion to approve the request for the use of two school buses on June 6, 2012 by the Starke County 4-H Council. Mrs. Budka seconded the motion.

A question was asked if the driver had been assigned yet. A driver has not been assigned yet but it will be a corporation driver.

Motion carried 4-0.

Student Presentation

A student presentation was given by Katie Bennett and Elliott Ferch on exploring ways to cut the cost of college. Students were assigned a partner and a topic. The assignment included a paper and a keynote address.

Curriculum Reports

Mr. Bennett reported on the 3rd Grade IRead results. Oregon-Davis had 97.5% of students passed. Any student that did not pass will receive extra remediation and instruction and will be able to re-take the test before the next school year. Mr. Bennett presented a keynote on factors that are contributing to the success at the Elementary School. He stated there is not just one factor that they can pinpoint for these results; instead the programs are building on each other and resulting in more successful outcomes for the students

Other Business Items

Mr. Huitt made a motion to approve a Resolution Regarding Refunding of the First Mortgage Refunding Bonds, Series 2002. Mr. Pearish seconded the motion. Dr. Disney explained to the students what debt service is and how much this process will save the school and the community as far as interest saved and tax rate lowered. Mr. Volk explained that this resolution was to authorize the Board Members and Dr. Disney to execute the necessary documents for this process to take place.

Motion passed 4-0. A copy of this resolution is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Lawrence then asked for a motion to pass a Ratifying Resolution. Mr. Pearish made that motion. Mrs. Budka seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. A copy of this resolution is attached to these minutes.

Reports:

Board Members: Mr Pearish made mention of the play that took place last weekend. The thanked the students and their sponsors for their hard work and said it was very good.

Mr. Huitt acknowledged Katie Schwenk for being awarded the Ely Scholarship. Mr. Lawrence thanked all of the volunteers for the work they did on the stand outside at the athletic facilities. He also thanked the PTO for the work they did on the Fun Fair last weekend; and he thanked Mr. Crawford and family and Mr. Taylor for helping to make AAU Basketball available again for Oregon-Davis students.

Superintendent: He reported that Mrs. Huitt is making arrangements to start Zumba classes at the Elementary for staff and community members.

Principals: Mr. Briles thanked Miss Asher and Miss Akers and the cast for the great job they did on the play. He congratulated all the applicants for the Ely Scholarship. Seniors will be leaving on Thursday for the Senior Trip.

Mr. Bennett thanked Mrs. Pearish, Mrs. Huitt and all of the teacher for the work they did to help with the PTO Fun Fair. They brought in over \$1000 for the PTO.

Dr. Disney closed by saying that the School Board Members have a thankless job. They hear all the complaints about the School System but they have committed to work to improve the school. He urged the students to think about some day as they get out of school to think about public service and possibly working in their community some day on the school board.

Staff Members: Mr. Marsh took the opportunity to thank the School Board for arranging their schedules so they could bring the school board meeting to the students during the school day.

There being no further business to come before the Board Mr. Pearish made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Budka seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 2:02 PM.

Shirley Budka, Secretary

Minutes recorded by Julie McLiver