

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

**Monday, May 9, 2016
Regular School Board Meeting, 6:30 PM**

Susan G. Rowles Board Room, Administration Building, Oregon-Davis School Corporation, 5998 North 750 East, Hamlet, IN 46532

The Board of School Trustees of the Oregon-Davis School Corporation met in Regular Session on Monday evening, May 9, 2016 at 6:30 PM in the Susan G. Rowles Board Room of the Administration Building, pursuant to the rules of the Board.

1.0 Call to Order

1.01 Welcome - Chris Lawrence. In attendance: Chris Lawrence, Kurt Hayes, Shirley Budka, Andrea McIntosh, Lee Nagai, Bill Bennett, Tim Pletcher, Scott Taylor, Bobby Ferch, Nikki Salazar, Brenda Miller, Jim Dermody, Ed Hasnerl-WKVI, Anthony Novak-attorney, Julie McLiver.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Chris Lawrence

1.03 Recognition of Visitors

Mr. Lawrence asked for a motion to include addendum items 2.07 Wes Radtke resignation from coaching in consent agenda, and Item 3.07 Conflict of Interest statement for Frank Lonigro III in Discussion/Action Items. Motion was made by Mr. Nagai and seconded by Mrs. Budka. Motion passed 5-0.

2.0 Consent Agenda

2.01 Agenda - May 9, 2016

2.02 Minutes - April 18, 2016

2.03 Financial Reports - Appropriations Report, Fund Report, Deduction Checks Posting Report

2.04 Vendor Claims - \$381,875.21

2.05 Payroll Claims - \$242,478.64

2.06 Programs - Vocational Programs and Mid-term graduations

2.07 Resignations and Non-Renewals - Reduction in Force recommendations

2.08 Retirement - Bruce Hirschy

2.09 Employment and Transfers - Summer SAE Staffing

2.10 Leave Requests and Field Trip Requests -

Leave Requests

4/20 Greg Estok Senior Trip, Orlando FL

4/22 Joe Eskridge IBCA Coaches Clinic

Trip Requests

4/27 Spanish Club El Bracero Mexican Restaurant, LaPorte, IN

5/4 Animal Science Class Hoosier Shrimp Farm

5/11 Health & Wellness Class Knox IU Health Jr. High Health Fair

5/13 Art Comm. Serv./painting for Yellowstone Tr. Fest.

5/25 Kindergarten Potawatomi Zoo

2.11 Use of Facilities - June 10

Girl Scout Troop 552, Elementary Gym

June 6-30 SCYC, Gym, Rm 204, Library and Greenhouse

June 6-30 SCYC, Rm 126 & 127, Pool, gym, cafeteria

June 6-30 Autism Camp, Elem. Bldg. ARMC

Motion made by Mr. Hayes, second by Mr. Nagai. Mr. Dermody highlighted Mr. Hirschy who is retiring. Proof of insurance has been received by groups requesting use of facilities. Motion passed 5-0.

3.0 Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Consideration to approve booth space for Starke County Fair.

Motion made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mrs. McIntosh. Motion passed 5-0.

3.02 Consideration of agreement between Marshall-Starke Development Center, Inc. and Oregon-Davis School Corporation.

Motion made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mr. Hayes. This is an early Head Start socialization group. They use the building once a month. It is a good chance for students under three to meet other children, do some basic function activities and familiarize people with Oregon-Davis. This agreement has been in place for a number of years. Motion passed 5-0.

3.03 Consideration to approve request by Starke County 4-H Council to use two school buses on June 5th to transport 4-H members to Camp Mack.

Motion made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mrs. Budka. This practice has been done for many years, but the board must always approve. Motion passed 5-0.

3.04 Consideration to approve planned maintenance contract with KB Mechanical.

Motion made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mr. Hayes. Mr. Taylor gave a bit of background on this service that will be used to inspect the chillers 4 times a year at both schools to try to prevent problems before they happen. This contract also provides for more inspections per year for both buildings for less money than was spent with the previous company. Motion passed 5-0.

3.05 Consideration to approve summer maintenance projects.

Motion made by Mr. Hayes, second by Mrs. Budka. Scott and Nikki put a lot of work in on these projects. Every quote we have is the lowest quote. This recommendation will continue the maintenance and long term care of the facilities. The domes were not on this list because that project was approved in February. The recommended bleachers are all ADA accessible and approved. The security cameras will constitute about half the project to upgrade and enhance some critical areas. The remaining portion of this project will be completed next year. Motion passed 5-0.

3.06 Consideration to approve After-Prom Trip to Great America in Gurnee, IL.

Motion made by Mrs. McIntosh, second by Mrs. Budka. About 53 students with 4 chaperones will be attending this special night exclusively for schools at the end of the school year. The after-prom committee will cover the cost of transportation. Motion passed 5-0.

3.07 Conflict of Interest Statement for Frank Lonigro III.

Motion made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mr. Hayes. One item was pulled from the capital projects list. The ODSC has two bids of interest on the bus barn roof. By taking action on this conflict of interest certificate, it will allow the corporation to properly consider this additional bid and acquire the necessary information to make an informed decision at the meeting on the 23rd of May. Motion passed 5-0.

4.0 Other Business Items

4.01 Scholarships and Academic Honors Diplomas as listed - no vote was necessary on this item although a motion to look at this was made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mrs. McIntosh. This was mainly information for the School Board.

5.0 Informational Agenda Items

5.01 Superintendent/Principal Reports - Mr. Dermody turned time over to Mr. Ferch to provide a history of our bus fleet. Our oldest bus is a 1999. This is the bus that will be replaced with the new bus purchase this year. The process is underway now for obtaining bids for a new school bus. On April 22nd a bus inspection was held. Bus 13 had a muffler issue that has since been fixed and will need to be reinspected by the State Police. Mr. Dermody expressed his appreciation for Mr. Ferch's cooperation and availability during Mr. Dermody's time with the corporation.

Mr. Dermody has been meeting with the principals and they are working hard on staffing to balance the financial needs of the ODSC with appropriate class size and curricular offerings.

Transfer student processes are progressing at both schools with inquiries being made at each school.

This past weekend the school had a successful prom. Mr. Pletcher and Mr. Estok and those that worked on that did a wonderful job.

One project that is usually handled in May has been postponed. Textbook adoption will be presented on May 23rd or not if the committees choose to wait one year. The committees are looking at going primarily digital which gives time to consider options without the pressure of needing to get the print materials ordered early.

Wellness Policy Report will come in June by Mr. Messer and Mrs. Huitt.

Crisis Prevention Response Plans will be presented in June.

Student Handbooks are still being worked on. If the desire is to go print, the publisher assures that there is still time for that but Mr. Dermody is pushing digital. That decision saves the cost of printing, plus it can be updated in a timely manner.

Mr. Pletcher and Mr. Eskridge deserve some notoriety. They are working with the Yellowstone Trail Festival Committee. Last week the committee approved donating materials for the art students to use to paint spaces in town to advertise the activities for the Yellowstone Trail Festival. Students received permission from their other teachers to be able to take the time from their other classes to do this work.

Mr. Dermody wanted to bring to the Board's attention that The North Central Area Vocational Cooperative informed him that Health Career I students Leah Townsend, Arly Thacker, and Rachell Corciovan were recognized for participating in and doing well at a H.O.S.A. (Health Occupation Students of America) state competition.

Mr. Pletcher reported that Prom went off without any problems. Also, we had nice weather this year for the mock crash which allowed the helicopter to participate. The plus side of that is we learned of other opportunities for activities that Memorial Hospital does in schools.

Our junior high students will be participating in the IU Health Fair which will be demonstrating healthy lifestyle choices.

Last week AP exams were completed. Next week ECA's will take place and then finals.

Mr. Bennett reported that last week the elementary hosted a Kindergarten/Preschool carnival which resulted in three new students signing up for kindergarten, and three new students signing up for preschool. That puts our Kindergarten at 29 students and our preschool at 10. Ninety percent of our kids from the round up came in and enjoyed the carnival and open swim.

Our Three-Star Banquet will be held Wednesday night and 100 people are expected to attend.

Mini Relay will be held on May 20th. Also sixth grade transition day will be the 20th when the sixth grade students will have the opportunity to tour the junior high and meet some of the staff to ease that transition from the elementary to the junior high school.

May 26 is the the date set for Sixth Grade Celebration.

5.02 Board Member Reports - Mr. Nagai is working on obtaining insurance quotes for the open gym and hopes to have those in hand by the end of the week. Open Gym will not resume until the insurance is activated.

5.03 Staff Member Reports - none

5.04 Requested Visitor Participation - none

5.04 Adjournment - Mr. Lawrence asked for a motion of adjournment. Mr. Nagai made that motion with Mrs. McIntosh seconding the motion. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Shirley Budka, Secretary

Minutes recorded by Julie McLiver