

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

**Monday, May 23, 2016
Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 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 23, 2016 at 6:00 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 by Chris Lawrence. In attendance: Chris Lawrence, Kurt Hayes, Andrea McIntosh, Shirley Budka, Lee Nagai, Tim Pletcher, Bill Bennett, Brenda Miller, Nikki Salazar, Greg Estok, Devin Edwards, Dawn Hayes, Scott Taylor, Felix Salazar, Maggie Vogel, Mary Perren - WKVI, Jayme Goetz, Tricia Huitt, Jesiah Clemons, Randy Johnson, Bobby Ferch, April Max, Jim Dermody, Rebecca Berg-Attorney, Julie McLiver.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance - led by Elementary Office Staff

1.03 Recognition of Visitors - none

2.0 Consent Agenda

2.01 Agenda - May 23, 2016

2.02 Minutes - May 16, 2016

2.03 Financial Reports - Deduction Checks Posting Report, Extra-Curricular Report

2.04 Vendor Claims - \$96,703.54

2.05 Payroll Claims - \$134,483.79

2.06 Programs

2.07 Resignations and Non-Renewals - Resignations: Wes Radtke, elementary teacher; Angela Radtke 7th grade English teacher, Elisabeth Caudill, English teacher. Non-renewal: Pam Jones, high school aide.

2.08 Retirement - none

2.09 Employment and Transfers - Restored Amanda Schmeltz (Reduced In Force at May 6, 2016 meeting)

2.10 Leave Requests - 5/19, Jeff Messer, Food Bid Evaluation Meeting, NIESC

2.11 Use of Facilities

Motion was made by Mr. Hayes and seconded by Mr. Nagai. No discussion or questions. Motion passed 5-0.

3.0 Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Recommendation to approve Superintendent and Superintendent's contract.

Motion made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mrs. Budka. The search process was started in late January and was done in house. There was a strong pool of candidates and two rounds of interviews which narrowed the candidates down to Dr. Donald Harman. Motion passed 5-0. Dr. Harman was then formally introduced and time was turned over to him to introduce his wife, express his feelings about this position, and to give a brief background of his experience. He is very excited, will be in the district three or four times in June and ready to start July 1.

3.02 Recommendation to approve 2016-17 Mathematics Textbook adoption proposal.

Motion made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mrs. McIntosh. The Board was provided with an extensive outline of the process. This proposal also showed the chronology of the process. There is a push towards using instructional digital materials in agreement with the teachers. The proposals fit well in the budget with the fees. The technicians were also involved in testing to make sure the material will work with ODSC devices. K-2 will have some print materials, 3-6 will be primarily digital, with the ability to download individual lessons if a student does not have internet access at home. Students will still be able to access their lesson for that day. The Jr/ Sr High School, was trying to get the most for their money and are very satisfied with the work the committee did to find the best materials to fit the program at OD. Motion passed 5-0.

3.03 Recommendation to approve ODSC 2016-17 Textbook Fees.

Motion was made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mr. Hayes. Mr. Dermody wanted this brought to the Board this evening so that if the Board approves the fees, they can be delivered to the public earlier. Even with the textbook purchase, there was only a nominal increase in fees. This includes all costs, there are no hidden fees. The only variables are electives students may elect to take, especially at the High School level. Motion passed 5-0.

3.04 Recommendation to approve NEOLA Policy 5840, Criminal Organization and Criminal Organization Activity and Policy 5630.01 V2, Use of Seclusion and Restraint with Students.

Motion was made by Mr. Nagai, seconded by Mrs. Budka. NEOLA attorneys are vetted in approving these policies along with our own counsel Mr. Kaminski. These are updates to current language and state statutes. By June 1st, every school in the state must have a criminal organization policy in place. Motion passed 5-0.

3.05 Recommendation to approve ODSC 2016-17 School Lunch Fees.

Motion made by Mr. Hayes, second by Mr. Nagai. Fees are staying the same as last year. OD will still provide a free breakfast for all students. Mr. Messer has worked hard at his position to make sure this department is being as efficient as possible. Motion passed 5-0.

3.06 Recommendation to approve updated summer maintenance projects.

Motion Made by Mr. Nagai, second by Mrs. McIntosh. The bus garage roof proposal was tabled at the May 9th meeting because of an unsettled bid situation. This evening we recommend Finish Line Construction be awarded that bid. The ODSC will save cost and the warranty is extended. Also the elementary lighting project numbers were corrected.

Motion passed 4-0, with Mrs. McIntosh abstaining.

3.07 Recommendation to approve Resolution 02-16.

Motion made by Mr. Hayes, second by Mrs. Budka. This resolution was crafted by Mr. Kaminski. The Starke Co. Fair Board will provide a letter that they are agreeable to these terms and the school has no liability. The Fair Board will be responsible for removing the existing bleachers.

Motion passed 5-0.

4.0 Other Business Items

5.0 Informational Agenda Items

5.01 Superintendent/Principal Reports - Mini Relay for Life was an outstanding event. In the world of standardized testing, it is nice to see lessons like empathy, compassion, selflessness demonstrated by our students. Great job to Mr. Bennett and Mrs. Salyer.

Baseball is in action Wednesday night at Sectional. We are proud of all the efforts of our spring sports athletes.

Graduation will be June 3 at 6:30.

Online Registration will be available again this year July 18, 11 am - 7 pm and July 21, 8 am - 4 pm.

Work started on a different evaluation program in late February. A committee has worked very hard to create an evaluation instrument which will be submitted to the state by September 15th. Staff will have the opportunity to view this document before leaving for the summer. This document will be more like R.I.S.E. evaluations with an Oregon-Davis touch.

Summer hours will be four, ten hour days with the Corporation shut down on Fridays. This schedule will begin the week of June 6 and end the week of July 18th.

Mr. Bennett thanked Mrs. Salyer, Mrs. Huitt, and all the teachers that helped with the Mini Relay for Life. A lot of teaching goes along with this activity about cancer and it is a good life lesson.

Tuesday will be the Renaissance celebration for grades 4 - 6 that have earned all A's and B's. Wednesday will be our Field Day, and Thursday will be the Sixth Grade Celebration at 5:30 pm.

Mr. Pletcher - Jr. High Awards will be on Tuesday at 1:30. National Honor Society Induction and High School Awards will begin at 5:30. Thursday and Friday are final exams. Next week, June 2nd, will be the Senior Breakfast and at 10 am back to the school for rehearsal. June 3rd students are to check in at 5:40 with graduation set for 6:30. They are looking at about 90 minutes for graduation.

5.02 Board Member Reports - The Board welcomed Dr. and Mrs. Harman to the Corporation. Mr. Lawrence congratulated the track team on their performance and good luck to the baseball team. Mr. Hayes asked that next year we look at improvements to the baseball storage shed. Mr. Dermody responded that is on the list to review next year.

5.03 Staff Member Reports - none

5.04 Requested Visitor Participation - none

5.05 Adjournment - Mr. Nagai made a motion to adjourn, second was by Mrs McIntosh. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Shirley Budka, Secretary

Minutes recorded by Julie McLiver