

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

**Monday, September 18, 2017
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, September 18, 2017 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 - by Chris Lawrence. In attendance: Chris Lawrence, Andrea McIntosh, Shirley Budka, Annette Ferch, Dr. Harman, William Kaminski, Bill Bennett, Nikki Salazar, Brenda Miller, Julie McLiver. Board member absent, Kurt Hayes.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance - led by Chris Lawrence

1.03 Recognition of Visitors - None present

2.0 Consent Agenda

2.01 Agenda - September 18, 2017

2.02 Minutes - August 21, 2017

2.03 Financial Reports - Appropriation, Fund, Revenue, Deduction Check Posting

2.04 Vendor Claims - \$321,253.37

2.05 Payroll Claims - \$240,939.01

2.06 Programs

2.07 Resignations and Non-Renewals

2.08 Retirement

2.09 Employment and Transfers -
Maternity Leave Sub for Mrs. Glennon, Mary Kopka
Change of hours for Jan Heeren and Rashell Beron
Elementary Extra-Curricular Sponsors, listing attached
Jr/Sr High ECA Position, listing attached
Jr. High Soccer Coach - Tricia Huitt

8th Grade Boys Basketball - Chance Hardin
Extra-Curricular Coaches, listing attached
8th Grade Volleyball Coach, Alexandria Gill

2.10 Leave Requests and Field Trip Requests -

Leaves: 8/29, Kaitlin Miller, CPI Training with Jesse at John Glenn
9/5, Kaitlin Miller, IEP Training JESSE office in Plymouth
9/19, Jacob Hogan & Andrew Carlin, FFA Leadership, Trafalgar, IN
10/13, Jim Ash, Lifeguarding Certification, Valparaiso University

Field Trips: 9/22, Grades 7-12 to Interstate Forestry, Mr. Henigsmith
10/12, 7th & 12th Grade Students to Knox Middle School for Manufacturer's
Day
11/14, 8th Grade Students to Knox Middle School for Reality Store
4/19-4/24/18, Senior trip to Orlando, Florida
12/7, Grades 7-12 music students to Oriental Theatre , Chicago, IL

2.11 Use of Facilities -

8/31, Cub Scout Pack 235 Elem. Cafeteria for Join Scouting Night
8/23-5/31/18, Cub Scout Pack 235, weekly meetings
11/28, Purdue Extension, HS Cafeteria and a couple classrooms

Motion to approve Consent Agenda by Mrs. Budka, second by Mrs. Ferch.

Dr. Harman noted that the annual senior trip is listed in the field trips and as more information becomes available he will pass it on to the Board. The other field trips listed will be very educational for the students

Motion passed 4-0.

3.0 Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Public Hearing on the 2018 Oregon-Davis School Corporation Annual Budget, which includes General Fund, Capital Projects Fund, (3-yr. Plan), Transportation Fund (12-yr school bus replacement plan), Debt Fund Plan, Retirement/Severance Bond Debt Service Fund, Referendum Fund/Exempt Operating, Rainy Day Fund.

Motion to recess regular board meeting and hold a public hearing on the 2018 Budget.

Motion was made by Mrs. McIntosh, second by Mrs. Budka. Motion passed 4-0.

Discussion - The goal is to keep the tax rate the same. Mrs. Salazar noted that the school advertises high in order to get the rates necessary but the goal is always to keep it as low as possible. Next month will be the adoption of the budget. As there were no other comments Mr. Lawrence asked for a motion to end the public hearing and continue with the regular board meeting. Motion was made by Mrs. Ferch, second by Mrs. McIntosh. Motion passed 4-0.

3.02 Recommendation to approve replacement of well house roof by Finish Line.

Motion to approve was made by Mrs. Budka and second was by Mrs. Ferch. Dr. Harman said Finish Line did a great job on the roof, which includes a five-year warranty and the first roof coating. Motion passed 3-0 with Mrs. McIntosh abstaining.

3.03 Recommendation to approve NEOLA Policies: 5111, 5136, 5136.01, 7540.02, 7540.04, 7540.05, 7540.06, 8300, 8305, 0100, 2261.01, 5111.01, 51111.03, 5330, 6330, 8330, 8355, 8500, 8510.

Motion to approve policies was made by Mrs. McIntosh, second by Mrs. Ferch. Dr. Harman pointed out that Policy 5111 Legal Settlement has been updated to include reasons to discontinue or rescind approval of a transfer student's application.

Motion passed 4-0.

3.04 Recommendation to accept an anonymous donation of \$100.00 to the Elementary School.

Motion was made by Mrs. Budka, second by Mrs. Ferch. Dr. Harman noted he had a conversation with a patron that wished to remain anonymous but wanted to donate to the Elementary School for students that may need assistance with lunch or textbook fees, etc. These funds have been deposited into a designated account for the elementary and will be used for these purposes under the direction of Mr. Bennett. The Corporation is very appreciative of this donation and thanks the donor for their generosity.

Motion passed 4-0.

3.05 Recommendation to accept a donation of 115 loaves of bread for an art project.

Motion to approve was made by Mrs. McIntosh, second by Mrs. Budka. Dr. Harman thanked Lewis Bakers for their generosity in helping Mr. Eskridge with this donation for an art project. Everyone expressed interest in seeing the final results.

Motion passed 4-0.

3.06 Recommendation to start Photography Club at the Jr/Sr High School.

Motion was made by Mrs. McIntosh, second by Mrs. Ferch. Students approached Mrs. Clark with an interest in photography. Mr. Pletcher advised that this is not in the Bargaining Agreement and there is no money to pay a sponsor this year, but Mrs. Clark is willing to do it this year with the hopes of further supporting the publications for the school.

Motion passed 4-0.

4.0 Other Business Items

5.0 Curriculum

Report on ISTEP results.

Mr. Bennett presented ISTEP results for both schools. Letter grades for the schools were not shared as they are still embargoed. There was much discussion about the results of the scores, with improvement in some areas and disappointment overall. As students are tested quarterly by other assessments more information will be brought back to the board for review. It was noted that with BOBCAT time in the schools, teachers are now able to spend some extra time with students that are in need of extra help. Conversations are going on between teachers as to how to help particular students. Professional Development is working with teachers this year to help them build assessments that will be effective for determining growth of students. All of the methods discussed will be reviewed and analyzed over time for their effectiveness.

6.0 Informational Agenda Items

6.01 Superintendent/Principal Reports - Dr. Harman passed out the monthly budget snapshot to the Board. Everyone is working hard to keep spending to a minimum and within the budget. Bobcat Blast has received good responses from patrons receiving this email. This is a short message emailed each week to highlight the positives going on in the Corporation, each school and with athletics. Dr. Harman reported that Mr. Henigsmith is very excited about the opportunity he is having working with the students at the high school. They are working on hands on projects and learning about the process of wood coming from the tree to their classroom to be turned into projects that they make. Mr. Pletcher is working with Mr. Henigsmith and the state to have him receive a workplace specialist certification.

Mr. Bennett reported on Grandparent’s Day last week at the elementary school was very well attended. Next week is the Camp Eberhart trip.

6.02 Board Member Reports - none

6.03 Staff Member Reports - none

6.04 Requested Visitor Participation - none

6.04 Adjournment - Mr. Lawrence asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Mrs. McIntosh and second was by Mr. Ferch. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM.

Kurt Hayes, Secretary

Minutes recorded by Julie McLiver

