

OREGON-DAVIS SCHOOL CORPORATION

**Monday, August 23, 2021
Regular School Board Meeting, 6:00 PM**

Humanities Room, Jr/Sr High School, 5990 North 750 East, Hamlet, IN 46532

The Board of School Trustees of the Oregon-Davis School Corporation met in Regular Session on Monday evening, at 6:00 PM in the Humanities Room of the Jr/Sr High School.

1. Meeting Opening

1.01 Call to Order

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance

1.03 Roll Call

1.04 Public Comment - none

2. Consent Agenda

2.01 Approval of the Minutes

2.02 Approval of Financial Reports

2.03 Approval of Travel, Facility Requests, Fundraisers, and Donations

Professional Leave

Field Trips

9/17/21, Grade 4 to Fulton Co. Historical Society – Trail of Courage-cancelled out of School this day

Facility Use

Fundraisers

8/14-8/15/21, FFA food booth at Yellowstone Trail Festival-to help fund career & leadership development event supplies or registration fees

8/24-9/3/21, FFA t-shirt sales at Jr/Sr High School-to help fund FFA week activities

10/20/21, FFA 3rd Annual Pumpkin & Cider Night at Jr/Sr High School-help fund National FFA Convention

11/1-11/22/21, Fruit Sales, Jr/Sr High School-help fund the chapter Christmas party

Donations

\$1700.00 to Boys' & Girls' Basketball from various donors

2.04 Approval of Personnel Recommendations

New Hires

Braelynn Bielinski at Elementary Schools as prep/cook

Resignations

There was a resignation after the first week of school, so there is a history/social studies position posted.

A big thank you to our Band, FFA and Girls' Golf Team participating at the Yellowstone Trail Fest.

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Nagai, second by Ms. Ecker

Note for the minutes Mr. Lady is now present at the meeting.

After a short review of positions that are open, Mr. Hinds asked for a vote of the motion and 2nd on approval of the Consent Agenda. Motion passed 5-0.

3. Discussion/Action Items

3.01 Recommendation to approve Authorization to Publish 2022 Capital Projects Fund Plan and 2022 School Bus Replacement Fund Plan

Mr. Bennett commented that the tax rate last year went up by two cents and he would like to see it go down by three cents. The budget is always figured high hoping to get where we really want it. He is not recommending a bus purchase this year. Items added to the Capital Projects Plan were the elementary playground, elementary plumbing, carpeting-finish at elementary then move to high school and get back to a rotation schedule, and the parking lot possibly adding a lane in back and also sidewalk repairs.

He proposed that the might like to schedule another meeting before September 27th for a work session to discuss the budget in more detail. Mr. Hinds proposed having the opportunity to walk the areas in an upcoming meeting.

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Lawrence, seconded by Mr. Nagai. Motion passed 5-0.

3.02 Recommendation to approve establishing Jr. High Baseball Team for the 2021-2022 school year

Discussion: Mr. Bennett feels that this is a good opportunity to create a feeder program for the high school team. The season is either spring or fall. We are looking at spring for this year so competition would mainly be from South Bend. Pending numbers the recommendation would be to have a spring season,. This could be switched to a fall season in the next year.

Motion to approve was by Mr. Nagai, second by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 5-0.

4. Other Business

4.01 Non-certified salary comparisons

Mr. Bennett presented slides comparing the non-certified salaries from Oregon-Davis to surrounding schools. He will also provide this information to the Board as a follow up.

5. Curriculum

5.01 Report on reading curriculum was presented by Mrs. Magyese from the elementary. The program includes books that are consumable for grades K-6 and there is an online component also. The presentation was very informative and appreciated by the School Board.

6. Reports

6.01 Superintendent Reports – Mr. Bennett presented a graphic on Administrative (certified) positions in a cost comparison to area schools. One thing being explored is adding a bus stop on a county line road area or east of here possibly at Ancilla.

6.02 Principal's Reports – Ms. Quinn reported that she has been working with Mr. Clemons to get the skill based report card on to PowerSchool and get all of that working properly. Preschool has 40 students and is going smoothly. Three students have transferred to Kindergarten and are thriving in there. No tech Tuesdays is back for the first semester. Currently there are 33 Kindergarten students with two new students starting on Tuesday.

7. Board Comments

Mr. Lady wants an updated flow chart. Mr. Bennett will send that to the board. Mr. Nagai would like to see two meetings a month. Ms. Ecker and Mr. Hinds both felt that one meeting a month is sufficient with the provision that additional meetings could be scheduled if necessary.

8. Future Meetings

8.01 Board Meeting: September 27, 2021

9. Adjournment

Mr. Hinds asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Mr. Lawrence, second by Ms. Ecker. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:23 pm.