

Santiam Travel Station

LEBANON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING APRIL 14, 2022, 6:00 PM

750 S. Third Street, Lebanon, OR 97355

MEETING MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Martin, Chair Richard Borden, Vice Chair Tom Oliver, Member Tammy Schilling, Member Nichole Piland, Member

EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Bo Yates, Superintendent
Jennifer Meckley, Assistant Superintendent
William Lewis, Business Director
Kim Grousbeck, Human Resources Director
Bill Wittman, School Improvement and Federal
Programs Director

The meeting minutes were recorded by Executive Secretary Ruth Hopkins.

1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Mike Martin called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and led the flag salute.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments for the Board.

3. COUNSELING PRESENTATION

Assistant Superintendent Jennifer Meckley presented a comprehensive school counseling program to the Board. She explained it was to move from a reactive to a proactive model. School counselors have four domains that they work in, which are academic development, career development, social/emotional development and learning to contribute to society. These are the domains that guide the programs.

Each domain must have a foundation, management, delivery and accountability. Then within the framework there are student standards around mindset and behavior. The program is delivered by a team, not just the counselors in a school.

She reviewed the presentation and broke down the information by schools and what the needs are, services and the outcomes. For mental health counseling, students are referred to Linn County Mental Health. She shared the information for those referrals that is broken down by schools and how many mental health therapists serve the schools, as well as how many students they serve there.

Whereupon, there was a discussion around the program and the process.

The Board requested more specifics regarding the outcomes and would like to have regular reports on this subject.

Superintendent Yates added that the district also uses DESSA to screen students that are K-12 and use that information to see where they can support students.

4. SUMMER SCHOOL UPDATE

Bill Wittman, School Improvement Administrator, presented the summer school information to the Board that is included in the agenda information and is available online. He explained that Ryan King will be the summer school coordination again this year. The information he is sharing is tentative, due to the fact that they are not sure what staff they will have available. There is a staff interest survey that will be closing soon, and once they have that information, they will know what staff they will have available to build the summer school program and decide on plans. At this point, they are looking at having three sessions at the elementary and middle school levels. Students can sign up for one, two or three sessions. The high school will have one three-week session that will focus on credit recovery.

There will be some enrichment as well. The current plan is for three hours of academics, lunch and then a 90-minute to two-hour period of enrichment activities. They will be incorporating teens from the high school to help support that as well. This will be a fundraising opportunity for them, since they have not been able to fundraise for clubs and athletics.

Whereupon, there was a discussion around summer school and how it would operate.

5. LHS LANGUAGE ARTS ADOPTION

Bill Wittman, School Improvement Administrator, shared the process for the high school language arts adoption. He explained that the language arts department at the high school were the ones that were on the adoption committee and discussed how they came to present "Intro to Literature" and "Writeable" from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt to be approved for adoption.

Whereupon, there was a discussion around the content of the curriculum.

Upon motion made by Vice Chair Richard Borden, duly seconded by Member Tammy Schilling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the LHS Language Arts curriculum adoption as presented.

6. 2022-23 AMENDED CERTIFIED CALENDAR

Kim Grousbeck presented the amended certified calendar reflecting a change in the dates for spring break and spring conferences.

Upon motion made by Member Tom Oliver, duly seconded by Member Tammy Schilling, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2022-23 amended certified calendar as presented.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion made by Member Tom Oliver, duly seconded by Member Tammy Schilling, the Board voted to approved the consent agenda as a whole, as presented. Thereby approving the March 20,

2022 Board meeting minutes; adopting Policies ACB, ACB-AR, GBL, IGBAF-AR, IGBAG-AR, IGBB, IGBHA, IGBHA-AR, JFCF, CM, IJ, BDDH, BDDH-AR, IIA, JECB, IL, IKF, BBAA, IGDJ, JBB and IKFB on second reading; and the hiring of Blaine Conley, Katharine Dorman, Toni-Lynn Benoit, Stefennie Brooling, Danny Canty, John Carey, Matthew Clark, Brandi Dooley, Marianna Fosselman, Madelyn George, Tess Irwin, Stacey Jubb, Bridgit Mengoni, Zachary Short, Rebecca Stiles, Monica Turkisher, and Barbara Wilson.

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Operations

Superintendent Yates shared that the district is looking at transportation options for Hamilton Creek School and Lacomb School to see if there are other options, such as a van, for bus routes that cover the outlying areas. Staff within the schools would be trained to transport kids. The district is looking at all options to help with transporting students on the smaller routes.

B. Human Resources

Kim Grousbeck shared that they had a successful job fair. They gave out four job offers and those have been accepted. There have been a lot of job offers that have went out in the last two weeks for certified staff. They will begin working to hire the classified staff.

C. Finance

William Lewis presented the financial information. He discussed the curriculum adoption and the possibility of purchasing it now so that the supplies will be here in time for the teachers. The option for that is to borrow from the capital projects fund to purchase the curriculum. If everything is purchased, it would be \$111,000.00. He would like to come back in May for approval to transfer \$120,000.00 from capitol projects to the textbook adoption fund.

The Board indicated that they would be in favor of moving forward with that transfer.

William Lewis then discussed the ESSER III funds and the Seven Oak project. They will need more money for the completion of that project. He said they will need an additional \$2 million for the Seven Oak project. The reason for the needed extra funds is that originally it was for six classrooms and a CTE classroom. The plan now is just for an addition of six classrooms. They are currently looking at construction options and are reviewing soft book numbers at this point, not at hard numbers with quotes. He will come back next month with drawings reflecting the change in plans and hard numbers.

Member Tom Oliver added that if the district is going to be modifying the scope of the work and dropping the CTE classroom, he would like to have that come back to the Board for a discussion.

9. COMMUNICATION

A. Board

Vice Chair Richard Borden brought up the OSBA Summer Conference and encourage his fellow Board members to attend.

B. Superintendent

Superintendent Yates shared that Welcome Center staff member Julie Miller was chosen as the Optimist of the Year.

10. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Audience member Tana Nicholson requested the opportunity to address the Board. She asked about volunteers being allowed back into the schools to help the junior and seniors with academics. She also shared that she is a part of a group that is adopting the skate park. She has asked the City to put together a list of projects that need to be done there. She would like to create a Facebook page with all of the project information on it and use it as an avenue to help juniors and seniors earn their required community service hours. The City will provide the needed supplies, such as garbage bags and paint, for the work.

11. MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.

Mike Martin, Board Chair

Bo Yates, Superintendent