Minutes July 9, 2026
The Board of Education
Molalla River School District

I. ***BUSINESS MEETING - Molalla River School District Office***
CALL TO ORDER

Chair Craig Loughridge called the business meeting to order at 7:00pm and proceeded with the pledge of allegiance.

Board members attending included: Chair Craig Loughridge, Vice Chair Linda Eskridge, Rob Cummings, Neal Lucht, Amy McNeil, and Mark Lucht. Absent: Terrie Stafford.

MRSD Administrators present: Dr. Tony Mann/Superintendent, Jennifer Ellis/Assistant Supt, Director of Human Resources, Andy Campbell/Chief Financial Officer, Chris Shaw/Director of Technology, Tamara Jackson/Director of Teaching and Learning, Randy Dalton/Principal Molalla River Middle School, Andrea Watson/Director of Communications, Christy Newman/Principal Clarkes Elementary, Larry Conley/Principal Rural Dell Elementary, Tony Tiano/Facilities Supervisor, and Lauree Nelzen/Executive Administrative Assistant.

Also Present: John Meyer, Steve Simonson, Jeremiah Newman

A. PUBLIC COMMENT
There was none.

B. CONSIDER CHANGES TO THE AGENDA
There was none.

C. ACTION ITEMS

1. *Consent Agenda – July Meeting minutes, personnel report, surplus*
   Mr. Mark Lucht made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Cummings seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously by a roll call – 6 ayes, no nays, no abstentions. Dr. Tony Mann introduced Dr. Libby Kelly, new Student Services Director. She introduced herself and thanked the board for the opportunity, as she is excited to work for the District.
2. *Second Reading of Policy – BBAA – Individual Board Member Authority and Responsibility, BD – Board meetings, notices, and communications, BD/BDA - DELETE, EBB – Integrated Pest Management Plans, GBA/GBA-AR – Equal Employment Opportunity, Veteran and State Service Member preference, GBN/JBA – Sexual Harassment (Personnel), JBA/GBN – Sexual Harassment (Student), KBA/KBA-AR – Public Records Request*
   Mr. Mark Lucht made a motion to approve the policies as presented. Vice Chair Eskridge seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously by a roll call – 6 ayes, no nays, no abstentions.

D. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

1. *Financial Review*

   Mr. Andy Campbell gave a monthly financial review. He reported the district is closing out the 25-26 financial review and there is no change in the ending fund balance. September will be the first big payment of the 26-27 fiscal year. He stated enrollment numbers are early and won't have solid numbers until the end of September. There was discussion about the increase in PERS rates and the option of purchasing PERS bonds. Mr. Campbell stated an update regarding the PERS bonds option is coming from Piper Sandler soon.

2. *Bond Oversight Committee Report*

   Mr. John Meyer and Mr. Steve Simonson, co-chairs of the Bond Oversight Committee, gave a report on the middle school project. Mr. Simonson stated he is happy with the progress and Mr. Meyer thanked Ms. Andrea Watson for her work with the Leroy Avenue easements. They both stated Pence is doing a great job providing the community with a high-quality building. They stated it is what the community wanted. They also gave an update on where the project is currently in the construction phase.

E. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Dr. Mann thanked the co-chairs for their report and citizen leadership and stated the middle school project is progressing wonderfully. Burghardt Sports Complex is on time and on budget, with the final ribbon cutting plan coming together. He updated the board on the start of the upcoming school year and the work that happened over the summer. There was discussion regarding employee feedback and recognition. Dr. Mann explained "rounding" and how the administration is involving staff in problem solving. There was no further discussion.

1. *Department Reports*

   There was no discussion.

F. *BOARD COMMENTS*

Mr. Cummings commented on the new construction at the middle school. Ms. McNeil commented on the progress of the new middle school since the board took a tour in May. Chair Loughridge commented on his recent trip to Europe. Mr. Neal Lucht thanked Ms. Watson for her work on the easements. Mr. Mark Lucht thanked Dr. Mann and Ms. Watson for their recent meeting and collaborative work on the community scorecard report.

G. UPCOMING MEETINGS

- August 26th policy committee meeting at 7pm at the District Office
- August 27th work session at 7pm at the District Office
- September 10th business meeting at 7pm at the District Office
- September 24th work session at 7pm at the District Office

H. ADJOURN

Vice Chair Eskridge made a motion to adjourn. Ms. McNeil seconded the motion and Chair Loughridge adjourned the meeting at 7:33pm.

Chair

Superintendent

Board Secretary