



Ontario School District 8C
Regular Session of the Board of Directors
August 24th at 5:00 PM PM at the Ontario School District Board Room

This meeting was broadcasted via Zoom to the public, the Board of Directors met in person at the Ontario School District Boardroom, with an audience of about 20

Board Members Present:

Abby Apodaca

Mike Blackaby

Jenna Mejia

Lisa Reeser

Bret Uptmor joins via Zoom

Administrators in Attendance:

Director of Personnel Eric Norton

Director of Public Relations and Communications Taryn Smith

Director of Student Services Jose Marquez

Director of Federal Programs Anabel Ortiz-Chavolla

Director of Facilities Andrew Kressly

Director of Technology Kenneth Monson

Director of Finance Devin Collins

Director of District Improvement Initiatives & Grants Jodi Elizondo

Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent/Board Andrea Salazar

Call to Order/Welcome to Visitors

Chair Uptmor begins the meeting and welcomes everyone in the room and on Zoom, then leads the room in the flag salute.

Agenda Change

Chair Uptmor states that there will be one agenda change. That will be the OSD Meal Changes as item number 26. Vice-Chair Apodaca makes a motion to approve the consent items; Director Blackaby seconds the motion.

Chair Uptmor votes yes.

Vice-Chair Apodaca votes yes.

Director Blackaby votes yes.

Director Mejia votes yes.

Director Reeser votes yes.

Consent Items

Director Reeser asks about the spending on the computer software in the consent items. Director of Finance Devin Collins states that there are a lot of licenses that had to be renewed; an example is



'GoGuardian', a platform that the district utilizes. Director Blackaby also asks about the spending on the kitchen remodel at Ontario Middle School. Director Reeser makes a motion to approve the consent items; Director Mejia seconds the motion.

Chair Uptmor votes yes.

Vice-Chair Apodaca votes yes.

Director Blackaby votes yes.

Director Mejia votes yes.

Director Reeser votes yes.

English Learners Annual Report – Anabel Ortiz-Chavolla

Director of Federal Programs Anabel Ortiz-Chavolla states that this report is presented to the Board yearly, and it shares a lot of important data on ELL students in the State of Oregon. Overall, student enrollment has continued to decrease; a majority of immigrant students are in elementary school. This report, that has been shared with the Board. There is new law in the State of Oregon that states schools in Oregon have to track 3rd grade reading, 8th grade math, and 5 year completion status. Vice-Chair Apodaca asks how the Board can support the work that Director of Federal Programs Anabel Ortiz-Chavolla team does. There is a need for materials to help families, and our family coaches are always happy to work with people who can support their families.

Board Bits

Director Blackaby states that he has not done much this past month, but he has driven by Aiken and it is great to staff out. Vice-Chair Apodaca states he went to a couple of open houses, and the one at OMS was great. I also did some volunteering work with their social at OMS. Director Reeser states that she went to the Alameda and OMS open houses, and it was great to see everyone there. I also helped with volleyball tryouts at OHS and went to the grand opening of the Alameda Schoolyard. Director Mejia states that she also attended some open houses at OHS and Aiken. I did appreciate that freshmen got to attend school a day early; everything ran so smoothly. Chair Uptmor states that he has nothing to share this month

Finance Report

Director of Finance Devin Collins states that they are in open enrollment, so everyone is working on completing their insurance plans. We are working on getting a reserve account set up to have in our savings and we are also working with our auditors and they think it will be done in early winter.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Albisu states that kinder enrollment is up, there have been some slight changes in staff so we are hiring one more kinder teacher. The Alameda Schoolyard ribbon cutting is this week! There have also been many meetings with the legislature, as well as the county, on attendance rates. The district ensures that we can support students and their families.

There were no Public Comments for the August 24th 2026 Board Meeting



Appoint Board Chair and Vice Chair

Director Blackaby makes a motion to appoint Bret Uptmor for Board Chair, Director Mejia seconds the motion.

Chair Uptmor votes yes.

Vice-Chair Apodaca votes yes.

Director Blackaby votes yes.

Director Mejia votes yes.

Director Reeser votes yes.

Chair Uptmor makes a motion to appoint Abby Apodaca for Vice-Chair, Director Mejia seconds the motion.

Chair Uptmor votes yes.

Vice-Chair Apodaca votes yes.

Director Blackaby votes yes.

Director Mejia votes yes.

Director Reeser votes yes.

Approval of the Purchase of Chromebooks

Director of Finance Devin Collins states that every quarter the price of Chromebooks goes up for \$100, so we want to get ahead of it by purchasing the chromebooks we need. Vice Chair Apodaca makes a motion to approve the purchase of chrombooks; Director Blackaby seconds the motion.

Chair Uptmor votes yes.

Vice-Chair Apodaca votes yes.

Director Blackaby votes yes.

Director Mejia votes yes.

Director Reeser votes yes.

Resolution 26-01 Designating CAO, Resolution 26-02 Designating Deputy Officer, Resolution 26-03 Declaration Co-Cust of Funds, Resolution 26-04 Declaration of Designating Budget Officer, Resolution 26-05 Designation of Board Meeting Day, Resolution 26-06 Designation of Depositories, Resolution 26-07 Designation of Newspaper, Resolution 26-08 Co-Mingle of Funds, Resolution 26-09 Credit Card Authorization, Resolution 26-10 Federal Program Signature, Resolution 26-11 Federal Program Signature, Resolution 26-12 AP Schedule, Resolution 26-13 Designating Legal Counsel, and Resolution 26-14 Superintendent Contract Authority

Director Blackaby asks if we ever change banks; Director of Finance Devin Collins states that we went from Umpqua to Colombia. Director Mejia makes a motion to approve resolutions 26-01 to 26-14. Vice-Chair Apodaca seconds the motion.

Chair Uptmor votes yes.

Vice-Chair Apodaca votes yes.

Director Blackaby votes yes.



Director Mejia votes yes.
Director Reeser votes yes.

First Reading of Policies, KNA, BDC, BDD, BBE, and BBAA

Director Mejia approves the first reading of policies KNA, BDC, BDD, BBE, and BBAA.
Director Reeser seconds the motion.

Chair Uptmor votes yes.
Vice-Chair Apodaca votes yes.
Director Blackaby votes yes.
Director Mejia votes yes.
Director Reeser votes yes.

Removal of Policies, BDC, BDD, BBE, and BBAA

Director Mejia approves the removal of policies KNA, BDC, BDD, BBE, and BBAA. Vice-Chair Apodaca seconds the motion.

OSD Prices of Meal Changes

Director Mejia makes a motion to approve the new district meal pricing, Director Mejia seconds the motion.

Chair Uptmor votes yes.
Vice-Chair Apodaca votes yes.
Director Blackaby votes yes.
Director Mejia votes yes.
Director Reeser votes yes.

Topics for Future Meetings

Superintendent Albisu states that there will be a presentation on Division 22 and Integrated Programs. Director Mejia asks if we can also have a presentation for EdFlexOregon.

Adjourn

Vice-Chair Apodaca makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, Director Reeser seconds the motion.

Chair Uptmor votes yes.
Vice-Chair Apodaca votes yes.
Director Blackaby votes yes.
Director Mejia votes yes.
Director Reeser votes yes.

Meeting Ends at 5:50 PM



Chairman

Clerk