

**THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR SESSION
September 18, 2024**

Three Rivers School District Board of Directors met for a regular session Wednesday, September 18, 2024, at the District Office, 8550 New Hope Road, Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon. The meeting was streamed online for the public and is currently available for viewing at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AeGFLFhq3RY>

PRESENT

Rich Halsted, Board Chair
Jennifer Johnstun, Board Member
Nancy Reese, Board Member
Dave Valenzuela, Superintendent

Casey Alderson, Deputy Superintendent
Stephanie Allen-Hart, Director
Jessica Durrant, Director
Rob Saunders, Director
Shelly Quick, Recording Secretary

ABSENT

Pat Kelly, Board Vice-Chair

Administrators present: Renee Hults, Mike Herzog, Travis Osborne, Mandi DelVaglio, Jessica Falkenhagen, Damian Crowson, Steve Fuller, Monica Haley, Bill Gladbach and Chris Carmiencke.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Halsted called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Board Chair Halsted requested to add an action item to the agenda: 11-A, CM|GC Fort Vannoy Seismic Project. Member Johnstun made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Member Reese seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (3-0, Member Kelly absent).

Appointment of New Board Member – Zone I Position – Effective September 18, 2024

Member Reese made a motion to approve Cameron Camp for the Zone I board position. Member Johnstun seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (3-0, Member Kelly absent). Cameron Camp then joined the Board, and Board Chair Halsted administered the Board Member Oath of Office to him. Member Camp took his seat at the podium to participate in the remainder of the meeting.

SAY SOMETHING POSITIVE

Board members, the District Leadership Team, and Superintendent shared an outstanding school or district highlight of an event, activity, and/or kudos to TRSD staff.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Valenzuela provided the Board with information on the following items:

- Three Rivers School District Mission and Vision statements.

- Cell Phone update –Referenced policy JFCEB, which states that personal electronic devices must be turned off during designated times. A leadership committee on cell phone use has been formed, led by Travis Osborne. The district will seek feedback from parents and students, with a revised policy expected by April 2025 for implementation in the following school year. Member Johnstun requested that teacher feedback also be included in the review process.
- Engagement opportunities – Upcoming events, including "Coffee with the Superintendent" and "Soup with the Superintendent," will provide parents and the community with opportunities to engage directly with the superintendent. These informal gatherings are designed to facilitate open dialogue and foster community involvement.
- Hidden Valley High School Veteran's Day Celebration – Taking place on Thursday, November 7th. The three high school music programs and banding together at the giant flag by Les Schwab and will be performing patriotic songs to share with the community.
- Durolast Roofing – has met with the company and scheduled a tour of the local Durolast plant in Merlin.

COMMUNITY PARTNER OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION

Hidden Valley High School Principal Damian Crowson and Travis Osborne recognized alumni Colton Davison of Davison Painting for his contributions to the school. Colton repainted the newly revamped weight room, and Mr. Crowson noted that, thanks to his hard work, the room now looks fantastic, making it one of the best in Southern Oregon. Mr. Osborne shared that Colton was one of his students when he taught weights, making it particularly meaningful for him that Colton returned to donate his time and equipment for this project.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items in the consent agenda will be approved by a single motion unless a member of the Board or the Superintendent requests that an item or items be removed and voted upon separately.

- Routine Personnel Items – September 2024
- Draft Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - June 26, 2024 - Special Session (Retreat)
 - June 26, 2024 - Regular Session
- Grant Requests (2)
- Out of State Travel Requests (6)
- Member Johnstun made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Member Reese seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (4-0).

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

- Five community members addressed the board: David Lommel, Steve Raycraft, Oliva Herrera, Rick Nelson and Mariah Rossi.

REPORTS – NO ACTION

- **Restraint and Seclusion Report**
 - Director Allen-Hart stated that the number of restraints and seclusions from the previous year are required to be reported to the Board annually. For 2023-2024 there were twelve incidents where staff and/or students were at risk and eleven students placed in physical restraint. In our district we do not seclude students. She also reported that we have about 200 staff members in the district trained in crisis prevention intervention.
- **Summer School Report**
 - Director Durrant reported that some additional funding became available from the state to fund summer school. TRSD received \$875,000 on April 5, 2024 and summer school started on June 10th. Every school in our district offered at least three weeks of summer school. Transportation and community partnerships were required. Director Durrant acknowledged our community partners which included: Boys & Girls Clubs of the Rogue Valley, Relentless Athletic Performance, On Campus Kids, Project Youth+ and Josephine County Juvenile Justice. She then shared statistics on the number of students served at

each school, the number of staff that worked and the number of credits earned at the high school level.

Board Member Johnstun left the meeting at 7:03 PM

- **Oregon English Language Learner State Report for 2022-2023**
 - Director Durrant shared the Oregon English Language learner state report for 2022-2023 as required by the state. The report is posted on the district website.

ACTION ITEMS

- **CM|GC Fort Vannoy Seismic Retrofit Project**
 - Superintendent Valenzuela requested the Board approve the district to go out for an alternative contracting method, where a design company draws up the schematics and does the engineering and then we hire a contracting company. This has been highly successful most recently with the Evergreen seismic project.
 - Member Reese made a motion to approve action item 11-A (Construction Manager|General Contractor) alternative contracting method for the Fort Vannoy Seismic Retrofit Project. Member Camp seconded the motion. There was some discussion. Board Chair Halsted called for a vote and the motion passed unanimously (3-0, Members Kelly and Johnstun absent).

Suggested Future Agenda Items:

- Member Reese requested to review the books that are in our schools libraries and classrooms, especially the lower grades.

Future Meeting Dates:

- Wednesday, October 2, 2024 - Board Work Session at District Office, 5:00 p.m. (CANCELED)
- Wednesday, October 16, 2024 - Board Regular Session at North Valley High School, 4:00 p.m.
 - Student Panel at 2:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Halsted adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.