



APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

POLICY ISSUE/SITUATION

Enclosed are the minutes for:

- April 29, 2014 – Business Meeting
- May 9, 2014 – Special Session

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Minutes of the School Board's Business Meetings, Study Sessions, Work Sessions, Public Hearing and Special Sessions are presented to the Board for approval at School Board Business Meetings.

RECOMMENDATION:

(14-399) BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the above School Board meetings be and hereby are approved.

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**Business Meeting**

April 29, 2014

Board Members Present:

Mary VanderWeele, Chair
Jeff Hicks, Vice Chair
LeeAnn Larsen
Linda Degman
Susan Greenberg
Anne Bryan

Staff Present:

Jeff Rose	Superintendent
Carl Mead	Deputy Superintendent of Teaching & Learning
Sue Robertson	Chief Human Resource Officer
Maureen Wheeler	Public Communication Officer
Jon Bridges	Administrator for Instructional Accountability
Vicki Lukich	Executive Administrator
Brenda Lewis	Executive Administrator
Robin Kobrowski	Administrator for Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment
Jan Martin	Administrator for Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment
Danielle Sheldrake	Administrator for Student Services

Visitors: 40**Media:** 1**CALL MEETING TO ORDER** – Mary VanderWeele

School Board Chair Mary VanderWeele called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Sunset High School Student Rep, Rushil Vora led the Pledge to the Flag.

RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS, STAFF AND COMMUNITY

The District recognized the following people for their outstanding achievements and contributions to the Beaverton School District and the community:

Divya Amirtharaj, a seventh grader at Meadow Park Middle School correctly spelled “armamentarium” to defend her title and win the tenth annual Portland Tribune/Comcast Regional Spelling Bee. Divya has won an all-expense paid one week trip to Washington D.C. in May to compete in the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

Cheryl Wardell, PE Teacher at Bonny Slope Elementary School, was honored as the Northwest District Elementary School PE Teacher of the Year by the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD) this month.

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Bradford Hill, physics teacher at Southridge High School, has been selected to receive the 2014 Paul Zitzewitz Excellence in Pre-College Physics Teaching Award from the American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT). This award is in recognition of contributions to pre-college physics teaching and awardees are chosen for their extraordinary accomplishments in communicating the excitement of physics to their students.

The School Board recognized National Teacher Appreciation Week, May 5 – 9. Beaverton teachers make a profound difference in the lives of all students and in our community.

BOARD PROCEDURES – Mary VanderWeele

Mary VanderWeele asked for any changes to the agenda. There were no changes.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Pamela Burdett , OSEA president, presented a check for \$10,000 to Board members in support of the Bond. The check will go to the campaign efforts of Yes for Beaverton Schools.
- Ana Bautista, 8th grade student at Whitford Middle School spoke to the Board about the immersion class that was cut last year. She is a native Spanish speaker and said that immersion classes help both native English and Spanish speakers develop their bilingual skills.
- Mark Chen, long time resident of Beaverton, spoke in favor of Oregon Hope Chinese School continuing its Saturday Mandarin classes at Stoller Middle School. They were recently informed that Stoller would no longer be available for the Saturday Mandarin classes.
- Qing Gao also spoke in support of Oregon Hope Chinese School continuing their Saturday Mandarin classes at Stoller Middle School.
- Chris Johnsen spoke about his disapproval of Meadow Park Middle School and the “Day of Silence. He is suggesting a district-wide policy that will not be considered offensive by any student or parent/guardian in BSD.
- Dana Woodhouse Nagy – spoke about the importance of Special Ed students receiving music instruction.
- Kevin Fish from Northwest Engineering Service spoke about the contracting of capital projects. He cautioned the district on current standards.
- Russ Benton from Sheet Metal Worker Local #16 also spoke about the contracting of capital projects. He hopes that there is a bond selection process in place so that the district’s money is wisely spent. He is in support of the Bond.
- William Myers, executive secretary/treasurer of Columbia Pacific Building Trades Council. He is requesting the district to consider responsible contract language to provide the highest quality construction of buildings when the bond passes.

BOARD COMMUNICATION

A. Individual School Board Member Comments

- Susan Greenberg reported that Whitford Middle School would be celebrating their 50th anniversary on May 15th. There will be an after school event that Board members can attend.
- LeeAnn Larsen reported that she spent the weekend at an OSBA Board meeting. They spent the weekend working on the State Legislative Priorities. Board members will be receiving a copy once they are drawn up. She and Linda Degman visited the Steelworkers training facility and saw some really good things going on. She also attending the amazing Community Partnership event at Nike last week.
- Linda Degman also spoke about the visit to the Steelworkers training facility. She was impressed with the benefits that our students would have if they were involved in these types of programs. She made a recommendation to the superintendent to meet with Kevin Fish, Russ Benton and William Myers to talk about them regarding responsible contracting. She also visited a classroom at Vose where all of the students were working on presentations on their iPads.
- Anne Bryan – Anne attended the senior project showcase at Westview last week. She was inspired by the quality of the work and the variety of their interest, skills, effort and creativity. There was no doubt in her mind that these students represented what College and Career Readiness looked like.
- Jeff Hicks reported participating in the MOCK interview and Passages’ event at HS2.

- Mary VanderWeele visited several PTO meetings and reported that there is great energy and support for the Bond. She reminded everyone to vote and to feel free to contribute financially if you can. She will be visiting Sunset High School with Mitch Greenlick tomorrow as part of *Take Your Legislator to School*. Sunset High School will honor Spc. John Pelham with a Memorial Day of Service on May 10 to clean up the school grounds. Pelham was killed in Afghanistan in February. She spoke out in favor of the Day of Silence at Meadow Park and thinks it is the civil rights issue of our day.

B. Superintendent's Comments

Supt. Rose had several comments:

- Supt. Rose believes that our measurements at the district level are very good for College and Career Ready.
- Attended Passage's event at HS2.
- Attended a Capstone project at ACMA. He listed to a young woman tell her story for an entire hour and captivated all of the audience.
- Attended Junior State of America at Westview last week. Watching the students engage in a political process because they want to was amazing.
- Chinese Hope School Saturday Mandarin classes – he has met with our Deputy Superintendent and they are working on a solution to bring forward.
- Grading and Reporting has caused a variety of questions from students, staff and parents in the district. Not all of the work has been completed but we are headed in the right direction. Recent state legislation regarding districts separate behavior from academics in grades will not alter Beaverton's plan to change its approach to grading. He thanked all of our teachers and leaders for their dedication, patience and support. A process will move forward that he will approve first.
- Staffing – The first stage is nearly complete. Enrollment continues to grow and class projections are higher than expected. Additional staffing will be allocated over the next several weeks that is funded from the local option levy originally reserved in the fall to address extreme class size and new revenue due to enrollment growth. A small amount will be reserved to address unanticipated fall enrollment growth.
- Budget process – Thanked the Budget Committee and the community for their stellar testimony. There have been several problem-solving sessions since the last Budget Committee meeting.

HIGH SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVES REPORT – Vicki Lukich

Rachel Lara from Aloha and Gabriel Mendez from School of Science and Technology reported on discrimination. They spoke about the current BSD policy. There is a very big gap when it comes to equality. The policy does not address the current changes and issues that are happening in our schools on a daily basis. People are affected in a lot of ways that we don't really know about.

Rushil Vora from Sunset spoke about grading and transcripts. He did some research on some Canadian schools and on the East Coast that adopted a grading system that separated the academic grades from the behavior grades. He explored what this would look like. He pulled examples of report cards and spoke with students and teachers.

REPORTS

A. School Board Sub-Committee Work

- Funding & Advocacy – Linda Degman and Susan Greenberg reported that board members are working on fundraising for the bond. The voter's pamphlet is out, donations are being taken, phone banking and canvassing are taking place and the ballots should be out soon.
- Susan Greenberg – will be visiting a school with one of our legislators in May and reminded Board members about the joint meeting with Portland and Salem School Districts on May 28.
- Board Effectiveness – Anne Bryan and Jeff Hicks – appreciated the work done at the Spring Work Session. They are generating items for next year's board. They will be meeting again to evaluate the procedures for orienting and training new School Board members.

- Strategic Plan – Mary VanderWeele – They are continuing to discuss district-wide communication and measurements for reporting on the Strategic Plan. The committee is looking at current Career and Technical Education (CTE) measurements to measure college readiness and if the District will stay aligned with current State measurements or broaden the scope.

B. Financial Report – Gayellyn Jacobson

Gayellyn stated that the projected ending fund balance would be 7.0% at the end of June 2014 with 6.4% representing the State School fund adjustment and .06% representing local option levy funds. The auditors will be here next week and the Business Office is preparing for them.

LeeAnn Larsen made the comment that she loved the ending fund balance and that 185 teachers have been added back to schools because of the local option levy.

A. Hope Chinese Report – Julie Rickman, Sanjay Reddy and Jon Bridges

Jon Bridges introduced Julie Rickman and Sanjay Reddy. They are two years into their charter and they are feeling more comfortable. Next year they will be adding a third grade class. As principal, Julie has participated in some of our district meetings and visited other schools. They have received a grant to house a visiting Chinese teacher next year. They have language teams meeting on a monthly basis and PBIS continues to be refined. Their PTO has helped plan several community events and they continue to seek community partners.

Q: LeeAnn Larsen – of the 94 students that you will end with, what is the breakdown of in-district vs. out-of-district?

A: *No answer at this time.*

Q. Anne Bryan – there is a considerable wait list for next year in kindergarten, how will you make decisions regarding adding a second kindergarten?

A: *We will only have one kindergarten class. It is very difficult to find highly qualified Chinese teachers and site limitations make it difficult to add an additional class.*

Q: Mary VanderWeele – Do you limit classes and how many kids on FRLU? She is also interested in a future report with the achievement data compared to the district data.

A: *No, classes are not limited. 5% of students are on FRLU. They get a reduced price on lunch and they do not offer breakfast.*

C. Arts for Learning Update –Jon Bridges, Rebecca Carney and Cary Clark of Young Audiences

Arts for Learning is funded by a \$4M federal grant and incorporates drama, music, dance, drawing and other arts into reading and writing lessons for students. Sixteen schools have been involved since the pilot in 2011. District-wide implementation will begin in the 2014-2015 school year. Schools that are new next year will receive the same level of support that the schools involved in the pilot have received.

Cary Clark, Executive Director of Young Audiences is excited to be part of the partnership with Beaverton School District. He just came on board this winter. He would be happy to meet with anyone and to arrange for site visits.

Q: Mary VanderWeele – when the funding expires what happens to the program and how do we keep it alive?

A: *There will be ongoing costs around training of new teachers, costs of student materials and professional development. Next year we will be entering the English Learners Language adoption cycle and we are hoping that it will become part of the adoption.*

D. 2014-2015 Achievement Compact – Jon Bridges

All districts in Oregon are required to submit a completed Achievement Compact by October 15th of each year. Board members reviewed the 2014-2015 Achievement Compact Recommendations prior to the meeting and had the following questions.

Q: Anne Bryan – What is the post secondary data and where does it come from?

A: 40-40-20 represents 100% of our students completing in five years and 80% should have a 4-year degree, associate's degree or some other technical training or certification. The state is able to collect information about the enrollment in 4 year and community college and eventually degree completion. This information is sent to The National Student Clearinghouse where the state is able to send out data about our high school graduates.

Jeff Rose – He appreciates the melding of the language that correlates to our Strategic Plan.

Q: Beyond 3rd grade what will happen when we move into a new assessment?

A. Scores could go down. We will need to be proactive with the community and alert them about the new assessments and that they will go back up.

BREAK 8:10 – 8:20

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Washington County Safe Routes to School Support – Mike Dahlstrom

Mike is the project manager for the Aloha-Reedville Study and Livable Community Plan – a three-year study to build enhancements to the community. Among the top issues identified by the community were personal safety and connectivity. Sidewalks were referred to most often. An initial analysis resulted in 9 miles of sidewalk gaps in 11 public schools (some Hillsboro). Washington County plans to utilize grant dollars to fund the Augusta Bridge Project, which will allow students to walk to Beaver Acres Elementary instead of being bused.

Washington County would like to request a letter of support from the School Board, with an emphasis on the Augusta Bridge Project, as part of a funding request package to be developed by the county. A letter will be drafted and approved at the May business meeting.

B. First Reading of School Board Policies – Jeff Hicks & Camellia Osterink

- IGAI – Human Sexuality Education
- JHFE – Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse

Board members were asked to submit changes to Jeff Hicks to take back to the policy committee

ACTION ITEMS

A. HB4007 Oregon Inter-District Transfer Process (14-389) – Brenda Lewis and Jeff Rose

House Bill 4007 was enacted by the February 2014 Legislature and provides new rules for school choice for Oregon students. HB4007 allows School Boards to decide annually the number of student transfers into the district and out of district. Major points of the transfer process include:

- Proposing to cap the release of students to other districts at 115
- Proposing to approve 110 non-resident students into BSD
- Applications will be received in May and June; specific dates to be determined
- Students accepted for transfer must abide by stated behavior and attendance expectations
- Current non-resident students will receive preference if there is a lottery
- Transfers will be in effect through senior year

Q: LeeAnn Larsen – what were the caps last year?

A. We had 161 out of district and 88 in district from all districts that were involved.

Q: Linda Degman – When will the information be out for parents?

A: We are waiting for Hillsboro, Forest Grove and Tigard Tualatin to come to a specific agreement on a date. We want to have similar dates.

LeeAnn Larsen moved to approve the Inter-District Transfer process. Linda Degman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Rose made a comment - Sometimes decisions made at the state level do not take into consideration the amount of work that is involved at the district level. It is an unattended consequence but a consequence nonetheless.

B. Consent Agenda

LeeAnn Larsen moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Linda Degman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

1. Personnel – (14-390)

BE IT RESOLVED that the employee(s) who are recommended herein for administrator and teacher elections, leaves of absence, and resignations/terminations are accepted by the School Board as submitted at this meeting.

2. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes (14-391)

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the listed School Board meeting be and hereby are approved for:

- March 17, 2014 – Business Meeting
- April 7, 2014 – Work Session

3. Grant Report (14-392)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Grant Report and Proposals be and hereby are approved as submitted at this meeting.

4. Public Contracts (14-393)

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board authorizes the Superintendent or a designee to obligate the District for the public contract item as submitted at this meeting.

5. Community Partnership Teams (14-394)

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board and administrative staff receive the Community Partnership report as an information item.

6. Approval of 2014-2015 School Board Meeting Dates (14-395)

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board meeting schedule for 2014 – 2015 is approved.

CLOSING COMMENTS AND NEXT STEPS

Mary thanked every for all of their work and the funding and advocacy committee. Please send any items for the May agenda to Mary and/or Jeff.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Submitted by Mary Hawkins

Mary VanderWeele, School Board Vice Chair

**Special Meeting**

May 9, 2014

Board Members Present:

Mary VanderWeele, Chair - by phone
Jeff Hicks, Vice Chair
LeeAnn Larsen - by phone
Susan Greenberg - by phone
Anne Bryan - by phone
Donna Tyner - by phone

Staff Present:

Jeff Rose - by phone	Superintendent
Maureen Wheeler	Public Communication Officer
Ron Porterfield	Deputy Superintendent of Operations & Support Services
Bruce Cahn by phone	Legal Counsel
Dick Steinbrugge by phone	Executive Administrator for Facilities

Visitors: 0**Media:** 0**CALL MEETING TO ORDER – Mary VanderWeele**

School Board Chair Mary VanderWeele called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. for the approval of the purchase of real property. The district has a 9% pre-judgment interest accruing at \$1,210.36 per day on the difference between the amount paid by the District for immediate possession and the final judgment.

There is a small risk that payment could preclude from appealing the judgment. Legal counsel suggestion is to not appeal. There are only a couple of appealable issues and it is unlikely that we would be able to rule in our favor. The appeal could take 14 – 18 months and the 9% pre-judgment interest would continue to accrue at a daily rate.

Combined the amount of the two properties is under what was budgeted. The 46 acres average price is \$230,000 per acre.

Counsel would like to do due diligence in the next couple of days. The issues are significant and worth looking at. The attorney's fees will be an add-on to the purchase price. If there are any changes they will let Ron Porterfield know as soon as possible.

Board members agreed that we should not appeal, that this is the right decision.

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Jeff Hicks made the motion to approve the acquisition of approximately 15.5 acres of property at SW Scholls Ferry Road and SW 175th Avenue in Beaverton for the sum of \$6,709.880, plus interest calculated in accordance with state law. Susan Greenberg seconded the motion and it passed unanimously 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Submitted by Mary Hawkins

Mary VanderWeele, School Board Vice Chair