

**THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SPECIAL (WORK) SESSION
February 7, 2024**

Three Rivers School District Board of Directors met for a work session Wednesday, February 7, 2024, at the Three Rivers District Administration 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=CBIAWey2-pw&t=127s>

PRESENT

Rich Halsted, Board Chair
Jennifer Johnstun, Board Vice-Chair
Pat Kelly, Board Member
Nancy Reese, Board Member
Dave Valenzuela, Superintendent

Casey Alderson, Deputy Superintendent
Jessica Durrant, Director
Rob Saunders, Director
Shelly Quick, Recording Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT

Damian Crowson, Hidden Valley High School Principal
Austyn McNew, Second Grade Teacher, Fort Vannoy Elementary
Aly Berg, TOSA (Grades K-5)
John Tunick, TOSA (Grades 6-12)

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Halsted called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

TEACHING AND LEARNING INSTRUCTIONAL PRACTICES AND DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

K-8 Curriculum Director Jessica Durrant provided an overview of the elementary schools in our district. She then introduced the following teachers to provide a glimpse into the Three Rivers School District classrooms:

- Austyn McNew, Second Grade Teacher at Fort Vannoy Elementary – shared a presentation that reviewed:
 - Typical daily schedule
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Physical Education – state standards, PE minutes, recesses, and daily physical activity.
 - English Language Arts Instruction
 - ELA Priority Standards
 - Math Instruction
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 - Writing
- Director Durrant explained the difference between standards, which are directed by the state, and curriculum, which is a resource used to teach the required standards. She then provided an overview of the curriculum selection process.
- Hidden Valley High School Principal Damian Crowson reviewed the structure of a four-day week as it applies to high school and shared that even with a four-day model TRSD has not lost

instructional minutes. Superintendent Valenzuela added that the four-day week has enabled our district to recruit and retain exceptional educators which come to our district for a quality of life.

- Deputy Superintendent Casey Alderson reviewed the process for a student to graduate in Three Rivers School District in a presentation that included the following information:
 - Oregon graduation requirements and TRSD graduation requirements.
 - High School Regular Diploma Requirements
 - English/Language Arts requirements
 - Math requirements
 - Science requirements
 - Social Studies requirements
 - Health/PE requirements
 - Elective requirement
 - Diplomas
 - TRSD CTE Diploma and requirements
 - TRSD Honors Diploma / Path to Honors Diploma
 - High School Modified Diploma / requirements
 - High School Extended diploma / requirements
 - Essential Skills Requirement
 - Statewide Assessments
 - GED Requirements
 - Support Services
 - Graduation Ceremonies – TRSD dates
- Director Alderson's presentation was followed by a question and answer period with the board members.

BOND PROPOSAL

- Superintendent Valenzuela reported the proposed bond would be for two things: roofing and safety. He then shared a slide presentation:
 - Photos of various roofs in the district that have issues and reported that they are failing at a record rate.
 - Safety and security – focusing on access control.
 - Roofing estimates that included all our schools that amounted to \$33,955,718.
 - Bonding utilization:

▪ Bond proceeds:	\$39,000,000
▪ OSCIM Grant Award	5,466,115
▪ TOTAL PROCEEDS	\$44,466,115
▪ Roofing District-wide	\$33,955,718
▪ Safety & Security	\$10,510,397
 - Levy rate analysis - \$39,000,000
 - 15 years, Interest rate 4.30% = \$0.55/1000 assessed value or \$166.65 cost per year for the median value home in Josephine County.
 - 20 years, Interest rate 4.70% = \$0.43/1000 assessed value or \$130.29 cost per year for the median value home in Josephine County.
 - Timeline for May 2024 election.
- There was question, comments, and discussion with the board members.

Board Chair Halsted requested the board members email their questions, suggestions and comments to Superintendent Valenzuela.

SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION PROCESS

Board Secretary Shelly Quick reviewed the process and timeline for the annual superintendent evaluation that will be conducted in an executive session prior to the March 13th board meeting.

BOARD MEETINGS

Board Chair Halsted had a brief discussion with fellow board members about the public comment process. They agreed to leave the public comment as it is.

FUTURE MEETING DATES.

- Board Regular Session – Wednesday, February 21, 2024 – Hidden Valley High School at 4:00 p.m.
 - Student Panel at 2:00 p.m.
- Board Regular Session – Wednesday, March 13, 2024 - District Office
- It was also decided to move the June meeting from June 12th to June 26th and the annual Board Retreat will be held on that day as well.

ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Johnstun adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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