



## **APPROVAL OF SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

### **POLICY ISSUE/SITUATION**

Enclosed are the minutes for:

- December 11, 2017 Business Meeting

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

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

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the above School Board meetings be and hereby are approved.

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**Board Members Present:**

Anne Bryan, Chair  
Becky Tymchuk, Vice Chair  
LeeAnn Larsen  
Donna Tyner  
Susan Greenberg  
Eric Simpson  
Tom Colett

**Staff Present:**

Don Grotting	Superintendent
Steve Phillips	Deputy Superintendent of Teaching and Learning
Carl Mead	Deputy Superintendent of Operations
Ginny Hansmann	Chief Academic Officer
Claire Hertz	Chief Financial Officer
Sue Robertson	Chief Human Resource Officer
Maureen Wheeler	Public Communication Officer
Steve Langford	Chief Information Officer
Camellia Osterink	District Legal Counsel
David Williams	Administrator for Strategic Relations/Initiatives
Mike Chamberlain	Executive Administrator
Brenda Lewis	Executive Administrator
Steven Sparks	Executive Administrator for Long Range Planning
Matt Casteel	Executive Administrator
Paul Odenthal	Executive Administrator for Facilities
Jason Guchereau	Finance Accounting Manager
Kalay McNamee	Principal, West TV Elementary School
Shannon Anderson	Principal, Cedar Park Middle School

**Visitors:** 21**Media:** 0**WELCOME AND OVERVIEW – Anne Bryan**

School Board Chair Anne Bryan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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## **Recognition of Students, Staff and Community**

The Board congratulated Edison Montiel-Espina for receiving a perfect score on the U.S. Citizenship Exam.

The Board recognized the Beaverton Rotary for their Clothes Closet donations and supporting the success of Beaverton School District students.

The Board recognized Bethany Elementary School PTO for the completion of the flashing crosswalk installation.

## **BOARD PROCEDURES – Anne Bryan**

There were no changes to the board agenda.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- David Stark expressed concerns over a potential marijuana dispensary located on the bus route of a Beaverton school.
- Shannon Lena, a Highland Park Middle School parent, commented on the importance of offering PE+2 extracurricular activities year-round.
- Travis Baseden, a Highland Park Middle School parent, also spoke on the significance of offering students PE+2 extracurricular activities.

## **REPORTS**

### **A. Superintendent's Comments – Don Grotting**

- Ballot Measure 101, a measure to end the Health Provider's Tax, will significantly impact our children. A "yes" vote would allow the tax to remain. A "no" vote could negatively impact Oregon's public education budget up to 400 million dollars. For every 100 million dollars, it negatively impacts the Beaverton School District's budget by 3 million dollars. Even at 200 million, it would negatively impact our District's budget by 6 million dollars. In addition to BSD's budget, matching federal funds for social services serving children and other citizens outside the pre-K-12 system would be negatively impacted.
- Our Local Option Levy that funds over 300 teachers in an effort to reduce class size sunsets at the end of this school year. We will see more information later in our Board meeting regarding our renewal efforts of the levy.
- BSD schools will be participating in the TELL Survey in February. As a reminder, teachers and administrators in school buildings are allowed to take the survey.
- The BSD is redesigning school report cards with parents in mind. The current goal is to finalize prototypes by January of 2018, and present the final design to the State Board of Education for approval by March 2018. There will be additional opportunities for parents, employees, and others to submit recommendations.
- Veterans or their families in Oregon now have the ability to request a high school diploma for qualified veterans. This is a way to reach out to veterans who may not have had the opportunity to receive a diploma when serving our country.
- A team of educators visited Boston Public Schools to observe and research early education programs and ways to improve outcomes for students through reducing

behavior issues in school. They look forward to building BSD's early education program as well as addressing some of the behavior issues that we are starting to see.

- As we prepare for the 2018-19 budget, we are going to continue to look at the current budget and are hoping to get some revenue reform. In 2017-18 we reduced our budget by 5.7 million because we did not receive adequate funding from the State. Our statewide funding continues to be unstable. We'll be considering the outcomes of the Health Provider's Tax and the Local Levy Option. The year after next, we will be looking at another 20 million dollars increase in PERS cost. At some point, the District needs to look at revenue reform because we cannot continue to take dollars out of our schools that support staffing and also supports resources in the classroom. Next year, if there is no PERS reform, about 1/3 of every dollar that goes into public education will go to support PERS.
- School will end on December 20<sup>th</sup> and come back on January 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### **B. Beaverton Student Advisor Committee Update – Committee Members**

- Maggie Bick, Sunset High School, and Jahan Asad, Early College, addressed the Board. During their last meeting, they discussed Career and Technical Education (CTE) and the significant impact CTE has on graduation rates.
- BSAC is holding their next meeting on December 12, 2017. They plan on discussing a safety video competition with schools. Meghan Buchanan will get more information from Public Safety, and they will share what is decided at the next School Board Business Meeting.

Questions/Comments from the Board:

- Board Chair Anne Bryan thanked Jahan Asad and Maggie Bick for representing Beaverton School District students.

#### **C. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report – Claire Hertz, Rob Drake & Jason Guchereau**

- The District Audit Committee met with the District's independent auditors in November to review the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the year ending in June 30, 2017.
- Claire Hertz, Rob Drake & Jason Guchereau presented the CAFR to the School Board.
- Rob Drake, Citizen Member Chair, thanked School Board Chair Anne Bryan and School Board Member Eric Simpson for being a part of the Audit Committee. He recognized the Beaverton School District for receiving the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Award.
- Rob Drake also praised the BSD Business Office for a wonderful job with this year's audit. The audit was a clean opinion. The independent outside audit was an A+.

Questions/Comments from the Board:

- The Board was happy for the clean report and that checks and balances are in place.
- Board Chair Anne Bryan thanked the additional members of the Audit Committee and BSD's Business Office staff. She commented that they have brought to the Audit Committee many thoughtful questions and wonderful expertise.

## D. School Reports

### West TV Elementary School - Kalay McNamee

- Enrollment is at 360 students. There is an academic growth gap in mathematics for female students. It's something that West TV will continue to look at.
- Economically Disadvantaged, English Language Learners, Ever English Language Learners, Students with Disabilities, Talented and Gifted, Asian, Hispanic/Latino, and Multi-racial students are not on some of the data due to their small population of students. West TV does, however, have programs in place to work with these students.
- Overall attendance rate is low. -25% of students have missed more than 10 days of school per year.
- Cohort data has trended positively. This reflects improved academic achievement in ELA and Math.
- 89% of 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade students report at least one adult cares for them.
- West TV hopes to achieve authorization to become an International Baccalaureate World School Primary Years Program by June 2018.

### Questions/Comments from the Board:

- The Board thanked Principal McNamee for speaking tonight
- What do you have in place to look at growth for all of your students? *We are going to look at the female growth rate. A number of students travel internationally and that contributes to absences. I don't know how that impacts student's achievement. We have a new counselor coming in January and I will make it one of her goals to see what we could do to approve our attendance rate.*
- What would students say was their favorite thing about West TV? *It is a charming, small school, that has a safe and warm, caring environment. All teachers know students by name.*
- Your kindergarten scores are amazing. You noted that prior to 2016-17, letter names were a single timed test and beginning in 2016-17, there are two untimed tests. Is there anything else in place that could attribute to kindergarten readiness? *Parents are able to afford excellent pre-school. There is a lot of access in available pre-schools.*
- Board Chair Anne Bryan thanked Principal McNamee for sharing tonight. School reports are helpful for Board Members to get a view of what's going on districtwide.

### Cedar Park Middle – Dr. Shannon Anderson

- Cedar Park showed growth in advancing the skills and proficiency of English Language Learners and Students with Disabilities. With the implementation of AVID and getting an ELL support system in place. This is helping with this growth.
- The achievement gap at Cedar Park is a challenge. They have made significant additions to Cedar Park's schedule to support students who need more support.
- In examining the data on the report, it's important to note that the College Readiness test changed in 2015-16, so it is more helpful to focus primarily on the 2016-17 data.
- The student population doesn't have dramatic change in scores, however, Dr. Anderson is looking for ways to improve student's growth.
- If you look at number of class days missed due to suspensions, in 2014, Cedar Park had

77 students suspended. Last year, Principal Anderson looked at a program called Restorative Justice, focusing on the disproportionality of discipline. In 2015, 68% of suspensions were non-white students. Last year, the number dropped to 45%. This was due to bringing Restorative Justice into the classroom.

- 25% students polled reported that they didn't feel that people care about them. These students will have staff assigned to them to bring those levels back up.

Questions/Comments from the Board:

- How many AVID students in 8<sup>th</sup> grade are taking higher math? *I'll get you an exact number. This year, they hope that the percentage will go up through the Tier 3 math program and after school programs.*
- Board Member Donna Tyner thanked Principal Anderson for being candid in her report.
- Can you share the differences that you have found from going from a high school to a middle school? *The social/ emotional growth of students is different. Seeing those needs has changed the way I have addressed my current students' needs. The 3 years in middle school is an important time for preparing students for high school.*
- Board Chair Anne Bryan thanked Principal Anderson for her report.

#### **E. Financial Update – Claire Hertz**

- The Beaverton School District will see a projected 4-6 million short-fall in the 2018-2019 school year. This includes funding from the Local Option Levy and Measure 101 if they pass. If either one of those doesn't pass, the number will go up.
- After the winter break, the financial team will be working on a proposed budget for next year. In April, they will present the proposed budget to the Budget Committee.

Questions/Comments from the Board:

- Board Member LeeAnn Larsen recommended support for Measure 101.
- At the end of November, the State came up with a revenue forecast. Is this included in the proposed budget? *The revenue forecast has not changed the allocation to K-12. The Legislature is waiting to see the outcome of Measure 101 and we'll see what their plans are at that point.*
- Board Chair Anne Bryan thanked Claire Hertz for her report.

#### **F. Bond Accountability Committee Report– Brian Kennedy**

- The cost management plan is going well. A lot of the strategies that involve controlling costs have been implemented and they are very effective.
- The Bond Accountability Committee met at Sato Elementary and Mountainside High School.
- The Board has made requests for information about spending program reserves. The Committee recommends not approving the spending of new projects until all construction is completed or under contract. As it has been done in the past, emergency requests should be made on a case by case basis, consistent with the Boards priorities and the principles in the Bond.

Questions/Comments from the Board:

- The Board was encouraged by the report. It is really reassuring to see that the Bond Accountability Committee has supported equity performance. *BSD's staff has made tremendous progress in equity performance. You should be proud of your staff for that.*
- The Board commented that things look as though they are moving forward predictably, which is nice to see. It's important that all of BSD's commitments are completed before allocating our money wisely and equitably in the next phase.
- Board Chair Anne Bryan commented that the Board appreciates the extra set of eyes and attention to detail that the Bond Accountability Committee provides. It's great to see us move in a positive direction whether it's hiring contractors or staying on budget or navigating how we start school at a certain time.

**G. Local Option Levy – Becky Tymchuk, Amy Ruiz**

- The Local Option Subcommittee finished their 2<sup>nd</sup> round of polling. The first round of polling was completed in June to evaluate what was the best way to renew the Local Option Levy, how much the District wants to renew, and what the Beaverton community thought about the renewal.
- Amy Ruiz, consultant from Strategies 360, presented the results of the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of polling. 500 voters were polled from November 27<sup>th</sup> through November 30<sup>th</sup>. Half were asked the straight question of whether or not they would vote “yes” to renew the levy with the same tax rate, preserving 300 teachers in the District. The other half polled were asked if they would approve an increase of funds which equates to \$11 a month in additional taxes, preserving 300 teachers in the District, and adding additional educational services.
- Support for the renewal of the Local Option Levy were at 59 percent “yes” and 33 percent “no.” The increase option starts at 51 percent “yes” and 43 percent “no.” Further explaining the options resulted in little change for the support for the renewal and increase of funds.
- When discussing how the Levy would impact class size, class time, and social support resulting from the increase of funds, the support grew to 66 percent “yes” for a renewal, 31 percent “no.” The increase went down to 51 percent “yes” and 45 percent “no.”
- 73 percent of voters polled believe that education in Beaverton is excellent or good. 66 percent are satisfied with how the Beaverton School District uses tax dollars. The community is very much in support of renewing the Levy to keep the 300 teaching positions at the exact same tax rate.
- At the end of January, the Board will receive recommendations from the Local Option Levy Subcommittee.

Questions/Comments from the Board:

- Will we see a marketing campaign to oppose the passing of Levy? *Most local bonds or levies in the region have not seen an opposition. There is an issue with tax fatigue.*
- The Board will have a discussion and decision in January, file in February, and vote in May? *Correct.*
- In regards to the envelope, and what we are asking for donations, can you provide us

information on what the money is going towards? *The campaign is run by the Board, not the District. We will be using donations to get the message out of how we have used the Levy in the last five years for the 300 teaching positions and how we plan to move forward with further funds after the renewal.*

- Board Chair Anne Bryan thanked the Local Option Subcommittee, fellow board members, and BSD's communications team.

#### **H. High School Middle School Schedule Work** – Steve Phillips, Mike Chamberlain & Matt Casteel

- The initial committee of community stakeholders developed a recommendation for consistent non-core classes. The middle school administrator committees developed various schedules to meet the demands of the community and a set of guiding principles. The high school committee started their meetings in August and have been working throughout the fall. The work is in its preliminary stage.

#### Questions/Comments from the Board:

- The Board thanked the committees for the hard work. In considering this model, the Board is hoping for the potential to allow students who are involved in AVID to also have music, PE, or other electives like Spanish. It's what keeps students focused and engaged in school.
- Is the committee looking at including PE+2 in all middle schools? *Yes, we absolutely are.*
- Can you explain more about the common minimum experience mentioned in your Middle School Work priorities? *Every student, regardless of where they live in our district or what school they attend, should have access to and receive the same core experiences, and have access to the same electives (non-core) options.*
- The Board commented on the importance that all middle schoolers, including 6<sup>th</sup> grade, has access to at least one daily year-long quality elective in addition to PE.
- Are you looking at input from the community, especially students, on the high school level as well? *Yes. It's not in the report.*
- Are you looking at how the day is run, start time, stop time, class times, and other variables that can break constraints? *Yes, all of those are being discussed.*
- Board Chair Anne Bryan commented that she is happy that the Beaverton School District is looking at scheduling and thanked the committee for their hard work. It promotes engagement for all kids and facilitates student achievement. It is important to look at the successful implementation of major changes in the District in the past and consider the hallmarks of student and staff engagement.

### **BREAK**

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

##### **A. Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District IGA** – Steven Sparks

- Not much has changed in the Intergovernmental Agreement since the last board meeting. An operating agreement will be made to deal with the details.

#### Questions/Comments from the Board:

- The Board thanked Steven Sparks and his team along with THPRD for all of the work that



they do.

- Board Vice-Chair, Becky Tymchuk, hoped Board Members will be kept in the loop of the specifics of the operating agreement once they are confirmed by staff. *We will be providing ongoing information to the board on our operating agreements as they change with our experience and needs of both organizations.*
- Can you specify what Beaverton School District Sponsored Programs are? *School athletics as well as all of the other activities that are a school sanctioned activity (choir, band, drama).*
- For example, Lacrosse is not a BSD sponsored activity and band is? *Correct.*
- Who receives prioritization? *Schools are entering their blackout dates by the end of June. In the fall THPRD enters their blackout dates, and then other organizations. We hold a few elementary schools aside for community use.*
- Can you clarify THPRD's use of school facilities? *High schools are fully booked with their own activities. There's a lot of demand for THPRD use of gyms in middle schools. The elementary schools are almost all field demand.*

LeeAnn Larsen made a motion to execute the IGA with THPRD. Donna Tyner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0 by Anne Bryan, Becky Tymchuk, LeeAnn Larsen, Susan Greenberg, Eric Simpson, Donna Tyner, and Tom Colett.

**B. Metro Policy Advisory Committee – Alternate Position – Anne Bryan**

The Beaverton School Board discussed and approved their vote for Karen Emerson for the alternate position on the Metro Policy Advisory Committee.

Becky Tymchuk made a motion to approve Karen Emerson for the alternate position on the Metro Policy Advisory Committee. Donna Tyner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0 by Anne Bryan, Becky Tymchuk, LeeAnn Larsen, Susan Greenberg, Eric Simpson, Donna Tyner, and Tom Colett.

**C. Second Reading of School Board Policies – Board Vice Chair Becky Tymchuk, David Williams & Camellia Osterink**

- **KAB** – Parental Rights including ESSA
- **KB** – Public Communications Program
- **KBA** – Public Records
- **KBC** – News Media Relations (*remove*)
- **KC** – Community Involvement in Decision Making (*remove*)
- **KG** – Community Use of District Facilities
- **KGB** – Public Conduct on District Property (*new language*)
- **KGBA** – Conduct of Raffles and Bingo by School Related Groups (*remove*)
- **KH** – Public Gifts to the District (*no change*)
- **KI/KJ** – Commercial Advertising/Merchandise Sales (*new language*)
- **KJA** – Materials Distribution
- **KK** – Visitors to District Facilities
- **KLD** – Public Complaints about District Personnel (*remove*)
- **KM** – Relations with Community Organizations (*remove*)

- **KN/KNA** – Relations with Government Agencies
- **LBE** – Public Charter Schools (*new language*)

KGB has been updated to reflect changes made prior to the December 11, 2017 School Board Business Meeting.

LeeAnn Larsen made a motion to adopt policy changes for K policies and policy LBE. Donna Tyner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a vote of 7 to 0 by Anne Bryan, Becky Tymchuk, LeeAnn Larsen, Susan Greenberg, Eric Simpson, Donna Tyner, and Tom Colett.

#### **D. Consent Agenda – Anne Bryan**

##### **1. Personnel**

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 School Board Meeting Minutes**

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the following School Board meetings be and hereby are approved with copy edits to reflect changes made prior to the December 11, 2017 School Board Business Meeting.

- October 30, 2017 Business Meeting
- November 13, 2017 Business Meeting

##### **3. Public Contract**

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

##### **4. Grant Report**

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board and Superintendent receive this report as an information item.

##### **5. Bonny Slope Pre-K Authorization**

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board and Superintendent received this report as an information item.

LeeAnn Larsen made the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda. Donna Tyner seconded and the motion passed unanimously by a vote of 7 to 0 by Anne Bryan, Becky Tymchuk, Donna Tyner, LeeAnn Larsen, Susan Greenberg, Tom Colett and Eric Simpson.

#### **BOARD COMMUNICATION – Board Members**

- Board Member Susan Greenberg, attended the AVID conference in Florida where she spoke with alumni and current AVID students. She came out of the conference feeling hopeful of the AVID program and optimistic for the students in the school district.
- Board Member LeeAnn Larsen attended the Oregon Business Summit. She expressed concerns over the current plan for state revenue reform to increase K-12 funding. The Oregon School Board Association wants to meet with Oregon's Governor Kate Brown to discuss this matter.
- Board Vice Chair Becky Tymchuk attended Mountainside High School's principal meeting. Mountainside's math programs were very enlightening and Becky appreciated the enthusiasm

at the school. She also visited Aloha High School and was impressed with the school's Automotive Program. Becky thanked the District for the opportunity to attend the AVID conference in Florida. It was great to meet with people all over the country equally enthusiastic about the college readiness program.

- Board Member Tom Colett reiterated the importance of a "yes" vote for Measure 101 and the impact it would have on students.

#### **CLOSING COMMENTS** – Anne Bryan and Don Grotting

- Board Chair Anne Bryan noted there will be a Beaverton School Board and City of Beaverton Council Meeting on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at Fir Grove Elementary School. The Beaverton School Board Winter Work Session will be held at Beaverton High School on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The Spring Work Session will be held at Aloha High School on April 16, 2018. She also commended the endorsement of Measure 101. Anne encouraged other Board Members to participate in Mock Interviews for high school students.
- Superintendent Don Grotting thanked the Board for their work and invited the Board to the Beaverton School District's Central Office potluck on December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- A. Advocacy Committee Notes
- B. Planning Subcommittee Notes
- C. Multiyear Finance Plan Investment Report
- D. Multiyear Finance Plan Feedback from Listening Session
- E. Multiyear Finance Plan Annual Survey Results
- F. Healthy and Safe Schools Plan

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Anne Bryan adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

The next scheduled School Board meeting will be a meeting with the City of Beaverton, January 9, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at Fir Grove Elementary School.

Submitted by  
Candice Hiatt

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Anne Bryan, School Board Chair