

**Unofficial Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting, March 14, 2022**

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors meeting on Monday, March 14, 2022, 7:00 pm held at the North District Office and via Zoom in Irrigon, OR.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jacob Cain (Zoom), Richard Cole (Zoom), Kalie Davis, Mary Killion, Becky Kindle, Brian Kollman, Barney Lindsay

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Dirk Dirksen, Cheryl Costello, Marie Shimer, Erin Stocker, Jody Deardorff, Beth O’Hanlon (Zoom), Patrick Kerrigan, Marissa Turner, John Christy, Jill Ledbetter, Jami Carbray, David Norton, Steve Sheller, Kaira Rysdam, Stephanie Ewing, Rose Palmer, Ryan Keefauver, Matt Combe, Dieter Waite

OTHERS PRESENT: as per roster

Call to Order:

Board Chair, Becky Kindle called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a quorum was established.

Public Comment

None

Delegations:

MCEA – None; OSEA – None

Early Graduation Requests

- Daisy Torres, RJSHS
- Gabriela Iniguez, IJSHS
- Cyrus Piel, IJSHS
- Maria Schneider, IJSHS

All students are on track to fulfill graduation requirements to graduate with the Class of 2022.

Early Graduation Requests

Motion: Barney Lindsay made a motion to approve all requests for early graduation with the Class of 2022. Brian Kollman seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

Presentations

Sam Boardman Elementary School – Students Providing Understanding Respect and Support (SPURS) Program

Katie Burton (SBE Counselor), Katie Adams (Community Counseling Solutions), Konor (SBE) and Miguel (RJSHS). With support from principal Jill Ledbetter and vice principal Jami Carbray, Katie Adams shared a power point explaining the SPURS program, discussing how the program works and the benefits of the program. Konor and Miguel shared the positive impact the program has provided them.

Textbook Adoption – Language Arts

A team of teachers (Ashley Beard, Jean Collins, Tiffany Jordan, Sarah Christy, Dawn Kennison-Kerrigan) presented a power point and discussed the adoption process used. The process included: a survey to licensed staff in the district to assess needs and wants; review of program materials (narrowed down to 2 at intermediate and 3 in primary); Publishers presented to the committee and buildings were sent materials to review. After working through the process, the team’s recommendation for adoption: Amplify CKLA (Core Knowledge Language Arts) for K-8 and McGraw Hill for high school ELA.

Textbook Adoption - ELL

Marie Shimer reviewed the ELL adoption process. There were 7+ teachers participating and the process was similar to the ELA process. After completing the process, the team’s recommendation for adoption is: K-6 Vista Higher Learning (Connect and Get Ready) and 7-12 Cengage (Time Zones and Perspectives).

Consent Agenda

Motion: Kalie Davis made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.
Brian Kollman seconded the motion.

A. Approved minutes of the regular meeting of February 14, 2022, special meetings of February 17, 2022 and February 23, 2022;

B. Approved Financial Report, Enrollment Report and Employment Action including rehiring of licensed staff for 2022/23;

C. 1st Reading of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies: DH, GBL, GBLA, IGBB

D. Adoption of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies:

E. Adoption of New, Revised or Rescinded AR’s: GBA-AR, GCBDA/GDBDA-AR(1), IGBAF-AR. IGBAG-AR

F. MCSD Comprehensive Sexuality Education Plan

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay
Noes: n/a
Motion Passed

Superintendent Report

- **Welcome** - Mr. Dirksen welcomed everyone back. This was the first in-person Board meeting since COVID.
- **Irrigon Jr/Sr High School Fire** – There was a small fire in the far classroom in the upper hallway. The district has met with PACE and O So Kleen. 4 classrooms will be ready after spring break and we will bring in 2 modular classrooms. Currently, students are back to CDL. After spring break school will be back to somewhat normal.
- **COVID Masking Update** – Masks are now optional. We have approximately 20% of parents that want their student(s) to wear a mask.
- **Additional Funding** – The district recently received good news from Mr. Don Russell, County Commissioner. Amazon will be gifting \$3.49 million to the school district. Funds will be dispersed to the country and then dispersed to schools via the Education Foundation. Funds will be placed in the district capital projects account.
- **Bond** – There have been some questions come up since the release of the bond power point. Mr. Dirksen reviewed enrollment trends, compared bond rates, and property taxes (who pays for what). Mr. Dirksen will be out in communities and meeting with groups to answer questions about the bond beginning April 1st. Ballots go out the end of April.

Unfinished Business

- **MCSD 2022/23 Calendar Options** – Option #1 (pre-Labor Day start) was the preferred option of staff (Option #1 – 70.51%, Option #2 – 29.49%).

MCS D 2022/23 Calendar Options

Motion: Brian Kollman made a motion to approve calendar option #1 – pre-Labor Day start for the 2022/23 school year. Barney Lindsay seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **ELL Textbook Adoption** – After presentation and recommendation for adoption of curriculum, the board moved forward with recommended curriculum – K-6 Vista Higher Learning and 7-12 Cengage.

ELL Textbook adoption

Motion: Kalie Davis made a motion to adopt the ELL curriculum presented. Mary Killion seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **Language Arts Textbook Adoption** - After presentation and recommendation for adoption of curriculum, the board moved forward with the recommended curriculum – Amplify for K-8 and McGraw Hill for high school.

Language Arts Textbook adoption

Motion: Kalie Davis made a motion to adopt the Language Arts curriculum presented. Brian Kollman seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

New Business

- **Resolution #2021-22-12 – Unanticipated Revenue**
 - \$48.55 to SBE from Lamb Weston Benevity Community Impact Fund – unspecified use
 - \$100.00 to SBE from the Haguewood family in Memory of Millie Baker – to be used in the library
 - \$2,550.00 to RJS HS FFA from the National Association of Agricultural Educators – to be use for FFA supplies including microscope, lab activities, and supplies
 - \$13,129.00 to RJS HS from the Riverside Booster Club – for the purchase of a new scorer’s table for the gym

Resolution #2021-22-12 – Unanticipated Revenue

Motion: Mary Killion made a motion to approve the resolution for unanticipated revenue. Kalie Davis seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **Declaration of Emergency / Procurement for Goods and Services – Irrigon Jr/Sr High School**
Due to the recent fire, the Board declared a state of emergency at IJSHS to expedite the procurement of goods and services.

Declaration of Emergency / Procurement for Goods and Services – Irrigon Jr/Sr High School

Motion: Mary Killion made a motion to declare an emergency at IJSHS in order to procure goods and services.
Kalie Davis seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cain, Cole, Davis, Killion, Kindle, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

Chair Kindle read the announcements:

- Special Board Meeting – March 16, 2022, 5:00pm, North District Office/Zoom – Superintendent Search
- Special Board Meeting – March 17, 2022, 12:00pm, Zoom – Superintendent Search
- End of 3rd Quarter – March 17, 2022
- Spring Break – March 21 – 25, 2022
- Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday, April 11, 2022, 7:00pm – North District Office/Zoom

8:19pm – Chair Kindle recessed the regular meeting.

8:24pm – Chair Kindled moved the meeting into executive session under ORS 192.660(2)(a) – To consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent

9:03pm – Chair Kindle adjourned executive session, moved the meeting to open session and adjourned the regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

Cheryl Costello, Board Secretary

Becky Kindle, Board Chair

Date Approved: _____

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