

The Port Orford-Langlois School Board met in a work session on January 12, 2026 at 5:12 pm. The Board met in person at the Pacific High School Library, 45525 Highway 101, Sixes, Oregon, and simultaneously online via "Zoom". Board members present in person were Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Judy Miles, Angel Ashdown and Bob Brown. Staff present in person was Administrative Assistant Stephanie Griffith.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance – the meeting was called to order by Korinn Hockett at 5:12 pm.

2.0 NEW BUSINESS

2.1 Board Goals

Samples from the Umatilla School District Board were distributed. Board members agreed their attendance at board meeting should be 85% or better. Goal #3 mentions acknowledging school staff publicly. Members were cautious about over-stepping their role. Some suggestions included acknowledging staff that participate in extracurricular activities. However, that may exclude those who have greater after hours and family commitments. Acknowledgement of professional growth was discussed. "Grow your own" had been discussed in the past. Perhaps board members should attend assemblies or hold them where recognition is held (example "Teacher of the Year"), and the community is invited. Other suggestions were to increase board member visits in the schools for observations. The Educational Spotlights at current board meetings help accomplish the goal of staff recognition. Board inclusion in first of the year staff meetings and assemblies to increase visibility and recognition was suggested.

Members suggested striking goal number 3 and leaving it to the superintendent. Bob suggested thank you cards could be written to staff from the board. Some people like public recognition and some do not.

Board members would like to devote more time in board meetings to recognition. They want less time spent on reports. If a written report is included in the board materials there is no need read it aloud. They want to prioritize a culture of appreciation.

Members felt they are excelling at goal #4 which is attending meetings and trainings.

Goal #6 involves coordination with the district complaint procedure to keep people informed as to chain of command. Suggestions include business cards for board members with additional information, continuing the district newsletter, put district goals on the web, have Jolly Roger staff interview board members, reaching out to council members, the credit union, local library, Coast Community Health and Rotary. It is not realistic for Aaron to maintain all of those relationships; board members want to help.

Members ultimately decided to keep goal 3 but modify it. Bob Brown will type up the summary.

2.2 Superintendent Evaluation Process

It was decided the survey process will be post-poned to 2026-2027 evaluation cycle for the superintendent. The process should be handled by OSBA. The board will not ask Aaron to change his goals mid-year at this time. But the board would like to remove the goal of expanding recruitment efforts/workforce.

3.0 ADJOURNMENT

Angel Ashdown moved and Judy Miles seconded to adjourn the meeting. Judy Miles, Carol Hacherl, Korinn Hockett, Angel Ashdown and Bob Brown voted in favor. Korinn Hockett adjourned the meeting at 7:02 pm.

Korinn Hockett
Board Chair

Aaron Miller
Superintendent/Clerk

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