

The Port Orford-Langlois School Board met in a regular session on December 16, 2024, at 6:00 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 Judy Miles, Korinn Hockett, Bob Brown, Carol Hacherl and Angel Ashdown. Staff present in person were Superintendent Aaron Miller, Principal Shane Brown, Business Manager Tara Garratt, and Administrative Assistant Stephanie Griffith. IT Director Jered Rush operated and recorded the Zoom meeting.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance – the meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.
- 1.2 Staff and Visitors

2.0 AGENDA CHANGES

Item 7.1 was added for Bob Brown's letter to OSBA regarding their fees.

3.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 3.1 Approve Minutes November 18, 2024 Regular Meeting
- 3.2 Accept Resignation, Steven Taylor, Math Teacher
- 3.3 Approve Hire, Emily Jackson, Temporary Math Teacher

Carol Hacherl moved and Angel Ashdown seconded to approve the consent agenda. Judy Miles, Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Bob Brown and Angel Ashdown all voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

4.0 PUBLIC INPUT and EDUCATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

There was no public input.

EDUCATIONAL SPOTLIGHT: Rob Jones, CTE Teacher, Program Updates

Teacher Rob Jones gave a presentation about current CTE programs in the district. Students Pippin Wahl and Finn Lau participated as well, by demonstrating a robot they had constructed.

5.0 REPORTS

5.1 Student Representative Report

Courtney Phillips reported the Winterfest Spirit week was underway. Activities will include dress up days, "Snow Day", "Santa/Mrs. Clause vs. Elves", "Rhyme without Reason", "Crazy Hair or Holiday Head Gear", and "PJ Blanket Day". The Drama Club will be performing "The Grinch" play on Thursday and again on Saturday at the Community Building in Port Orford.

5.2 Superintendent's Report

Aaron Miller's report is in the board materials. He reported on the professional development "Lilypad" assignments. Progress is being made in several areas, including hiring processes, onboarding, evaluation process, student engagement and empowerment. Budget discussions are ongoing weekly. This year the district is two to three months ahead of the process. The Long-Range Planning Committee has been meeting to prepare for future bond proposal.

5.3 Principal's Report

Shane Brown's report is in the meeting materials. He reported the student newspaper's second edition has been published. The Driftwood School held a concert for the community and it was very well attended. The gym roof is leaking again and roofers will be in this week to fix it. The district is in contact with the Department of Forestry regarding burn piles across from the high school. They did not time the burning as previously planned, which has been a nuisance for the school. Students were told to report any difficulties they were having as a result of the smoke. The tsunami alarm last week was successfully handled by school personnel, with some opportunities for improvement being identified. The emergency container will need to be freshly stocked. Shane met with the city and county to discuss adjustments in the emergency plans. There is currently no supply container at PHS, as it is out of the tsunami zone. However, the high school is a potential shelter for the community in the event of a tsunami and should be equipped to assist.

5.4 Transportation and Maintenance

The report is included in the materials. Aaron clarified that the lockboxes installed onto the district buildings are coded boxes with building keys for fire and police in case they need to enter the building after hours.

5.5 Technology Report

There was no report this month.

5.6 Financial Report

Financial reports were included in the materials. Carol Hacherl noticed that enrollment was down and asked if this was a concern. Aaron Miller replied some families had moved out of the area; they will get an estimate in January as to future district funding.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Extra Duty Scale

This scale is part of the licensed teachers' union contract. It was recently renegotiated and is submitted to the board for approval. The scale is tied to the base teacher's salary. It was cleaned up from past years; some titles were eliminated and others were consolidated.

Carol Hacherl moved and Angel Ashdown seconded to approve the extra duty pay scale as presented. Judy Miles, Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Bob Brown and Angel Ashdown all voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

7.0 OLD BUSINESS

7.1 OSBA Increase in Fees, Letter

Bob Brown distributed the letter he wrote to OSBA on behalf of the board, addressing the increase in fees. Carol Hacherl thought the letter was clear and well written. Korinn Hockett thanked Bob for writing the letter. It should be sent to Jackie Crook at OSBA.

Carol Hacherl moved and Korinn Hockett seconded to approve the letter as presented. Judy Miles, Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Bob Brown and Angel Ashdown all voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

8.0 REOCCURRING BUSINESS

8.1 School Board Timeline Review

The timeline was included in the materials and reviewed.

8.2 OSBA Self-Assessment

This is scheduled for January 11, 2025.

9.0 FIRST READING OF POLICIES

None.

10.0 SECOND READING OF POLICIES

None.

11.0 BOARD COMMENTS/REPORTS

Carol Hacherl joined the OSBA Rural School Caucus and has applied for a scholarship on behalf of the board. Judy Miles stated she is proud of the district and all the opportunities students are getting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The board went into Executive session at 7:10 pm, citing ORS 192.660 (i) Evaluating Top Executive. Tara Garratt was dismissed from the meeting. Executive session adjourned at 8:15 pm.

RECONVENE: The board meeting was called back to order at 8:15 pm

12.0 CORRESPONDENCE

None.

13.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Bob Brown moved and Angel Ashdown seconded to adjourn the meeting. Judy Miles, Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Bob Brown and Angel Ashdown all voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm.

Judy Miles
Board Chair

Aaron Miller
Superintendent/Clerk