

The Board of Directors of Pendleton School District 16R met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2107 at the district office boardroom.

Present: Debbie McBee, Chair
Dale Freeman
Gary George
Dave Krumbein (arrived 6:20 p.m.)
Michelle Monkman
Steve Umbarger
Andy Kovach, Superintendent
Brad Bixler, Director of Human Resources
Michelle Jones, Director of Business Services
Julie Smith, Special Services Coordinator
Matt Yoshioka, Curriculum. Inst. & Assessment Coord.
Tami Calvert, Secretary
Phil Wright, East Oregonian

Absent: Lynn Lieuallen

Opening and Call to Order

Chair McBee called the regular board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed the guests and reminded that this meeting is being audio recorded. The group recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair McBee added agenda item 7.1.1 School Calendar Discussion-2016-2017

Thank you's and Introductions

Mr. Kovach explained that every Oregon state legislator named two teachers from their district to be Civic Scholars. Superintendent Kovach proudly introduced Linzie Noble and Cindy Schimel, teachers who have been named 2016-17 Civic Scholars. Both teachers teach at McKay Creek Elementary School.

Minutes of the Meeting

Chair McBee asked if there were additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular board meeting of December 12, 2016. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Dale Freeman, seconded by Steve Umbarger, and approved unanimously by the board.

Correspondence/Communications

Chair McBee shared a unanimous letter addressed to the board.

ASPIRE Program

Jill Gregg defined that ASPIRE is the Access to Student Assistance Programs in Reach of Everyone that provides resources and individual assistance to students and parents to assist with post-high school education and training as well as military and employment options. This program has been at the high school since 1998 and the ASPIRE volunteer mentors have assisted thousands of PHS graduates in meeting their educational and career goals beyond high school.

Enrollment Report

Brad Bixler reported the total enrollment for the district as of January 3, 2017 is 3,050. Mr. Bixler noted that we are down a total of 10 students in grades P-12 from this time last month.

Certified Leave Report

Brad Bixler reviewed the certified leave activity for the month of December 2016. Mr. Bixler shared that the leave activity is in line with where we have been in the course of this year and last year.

ESSA (Every Student Succeeds At)

Brad Bixler shared a draft for Oregon's ESSA Plan from the Oregon Department of Education. Mr. Bixler noted that in December 2015, Congress signed the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) into law. The ESSA replaces No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and requires every state to develop a state plan that details how the state will transition to the new law and take advantage of additional flexibilities. ODE will design and implement a student centered state plan that will honor the priorities of Oregon students, families, educators, and community members.

Assessment on Literacy

Matt Yoshioka explained data information in the focus area of Literacy for Grades K-11 and a graph showing results of kindergarten reading results from the school year 2015-2016.

Technology Committee Future & Direction

After discussion it was the consensus of the board to eliminate the Technology Committee and focus on the strategic plan for this school year. The board will revisit the committee and determine if financial resources are available to move forward at the board retreat in June.

Strategic Planning Update

Superintendent Kovach reported that the Strategic Planning Committee has met with approximately 35 people representing this group which includes board members, teachers, parents, students, and citizens. The district has contracted with Mike Dugas with Vision Creation Consulting, LLC who will be leading the Strategic Planning Committee with four meetings scheduled for February 7, February 28, March 14, and March 25th.

Division 22 Standards

Superintendent Kovach explained that the district must annually report our standing with respect to the Division 22 standards for public schools. Mr. Kovach gave a report identifying the standards and the district's compliance with each standard.

Pendleton Association of Teachers

Gary Humphries shared he had no report this evening.

Oregon School Employees Association

Teri McCoy shared she had no report this evening.

PL874/Indian Education Issues

No Report

IMESD District Board Talking Points

Andy Kovach summarized the IMESD Board Talking Points for January 2017.

2016-2017 School Calendar Discussion

Superintendent Kovach informed the board that Pendleton has lost six days and two hours of instruction time as of today due to snow days. Mr. Kovach reviewed four options to make up for the lost learning days. Dave Krumbein suggested that winter is not over and with the weather affecting districts statewide the ODE is working on solutions for make-up days for districts.

The board heard from Emily Callender, Gary Humphries, Dan Greenough, Kathy Gregory, Teri McCoy and River Engum. The board will consider each of their opinions when making up the lost days.

After discussion it was agreed to provide different scenarios and receive feedback from the employees, community, parents, and students with an on-line survey regarding the snow day make-up days/hours.

Approval of December Financial Report

Michelle Jones reviewed the financial report for December, explaining the revenue and expenditures for the month. A motion to approve the December 31, 2016 financial report as presented was made by Michelle Monkman, seconded by Dale Freeman, and approved unanimously by the board.

Approval of Grants

Michelle Jones presented for approval the following grants:

Pendleton Rotary Club

PHS – Choir Performance at a Rotary Meeting - \$100.00

Wilbur Ellis Company

PHS – Boys Basketball Program - \$1,250.00

PHS – Girls Basketball Program - \$1,250.00

A motion to approve the receipts of the grants listed above was made by Dale Freeman, seconded by Steve Umbarger, and approved unanimously by the board.

Budget Committee Member Appointments

A motion that Lloyd Commander (Position 3) and Susan Bower (Position 7) be reappointed to serve on the school district budget committee with each term to expire 2019 as presented was made by Dave Krumbein, seconded by Michelle Monkman, and approved unanimously by the board.

Budget Committee Calendar

Michelle Jones presented for approval the budget calendar for the 2017-2018 school year. A motion to approve the budget committee calendar for the 2017-2018 school year as presented was made by Steve Umbarger, seconded by Michelle Monkman, and approved by Gary George, Dale Freeman, Debbie McBee. Dave Krumbein opposed the budget calendar presented due to a scheduling conflict on his behalf.

Approval of Personnel Report

Brad Bixler presented the following personnel report for consideration and approval:

Resignation Recommendation:

Classified:

Maritza Perez-Morales Custodian Sherwood

Extra Duty Recommendations

Wrestling:

Wesley Armstrong Wrestling Coach SMS

Media Specialist:

Schedule E (8% of Base) plus 6 sub days

Retirement Recommendation

Classified:

Deborah Delph Paraprofessional Washington
(Effective January 29, 2017)

A motion to approve the personnel report as presented was made by Dale Freeman, seconded by Steve Umbarger, and approved unanimously by the board.

Professional Development Opportunities for Board Members

2017 Labor & Employment Regional Workshop – February 1, 2017 at IMESD
ESSA Community Meeting – January 18, 2017 – Washington Elementary – CANCELLED
OSBA Training – Will be moved to the fall
Board Retreat Date – Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at BMCC – 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Board Member Comments

Chair McBee shared that the district needs to identify a person to serve on the Pendleton Foundation Trust due to a resignation. This will be added to the February agenda.

Chair McBee recessed the regular board meeting at 7:36 p.m.
Chair McBee convened to Executive Session at 7:44 p.m.
Chair McBee reconvened the regular board meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Chair McBee adjourned the regular board meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Chair

Superintendent

Secretary

Date