

OFFICIAL MINUTES: APRIL 20, 2009 WORKING SESSION



PARKROSE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3
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Working Session of the Parkrose Board of Education of School
District No. 3, Multnomah County, Oregon

Monday, April 20, 2009

MINUTES

THE WORKING
SESSION WAS
CONVENED

WORKING SESSION BOARD MEETING – CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 P.M.

The Parkrose Board of Education of School District No. 3, Multnomah County, Oregon, convened in working session at the Parkrose District Office in the Boardroom in the said District, County, and State at the hour of 5:30 p.m. on the date hereinabove shown and by common consent of the directors.

Chair Woods called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. The Chair noted the following were present:

PRESENT: James Woods – Chair
Alesia Reese
Katie Larsell
Guy Crawford

Others in attendance: Superintendent Karen Fischer Gray, Business Operations Director Mary Larson, Director of School Improvement Yuki Monteith, Director of Student Services Kathy Keim-Robinson, Director of Human Services Marian Young, and Board Secretary Apryl Jump.

DISTRICT BUSINESS

ACTION ITEM:

a> Accept/Reject QZAB Resolution

Director of Business Services Mary Larson provided information regarding the resolution noting the district had been approved for 2 million dollars.

Chair Woods entertained a motion to accept the QZAB resolution. Ms. Reese moved the Board approve the application of QZAB for ODE and resolution as presented to the Board of Education of Parkrose School District #3. Chair Woods called for discussion. Ms. Reese thanked Director of Business Services Mary Larson for her outstanding above and beyond work in following the process for the last 18 months. The Board concurred with Ms. Reese's comments. *Hearing no further discussion, the **MOTION** to **APPROVE** the QZAB resolution passed by a 4-0 vote with Katie Larsell, James Woods, Alesia Reese, and Guy Crawford voting in the affirmative.*

b>Accept/Reject Division 22 Standards

**This was a presentation only. No vote required.*

Superintendent Gray provided a brief explanation of Division 22 Standards, why they were required, and why the district had not submitted them according to the ODE deadline. Superintendent Gray certified the policies and that the district was following them as required by law and regulation.

WORKING SESSION – 5:41 P.M.

a> **BUDGET PRESENTATION**

Presentation: Director of Business Services Mary Larson distributed requested information regarding the roofing presentation at the last working session held on April 13, 2009. As part of her budget presentation, Ms. Larson distributed a handout of a memo to staff regarding the district wide spending freeze. Ms. Larson then reviewed an additional handout balancing the general fund. Cuts were district wide. Staffing cuts were a total of 23.10 FTE which represented approximately 10 to 11 teachers and 10 to 11 classified staff. The district was obligated to notify certified staff May 1, 2009.

Ms. Larson reviewed several salary freezes noting the classified staff were interested in preserving jobs. Certified staff meetings indicated they were more comfortable with the loss of staff. The district was meeting with

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certified staff to present an MOU in the near future. Cutting days would preserve 5 to 6 teaching positions. Ms. Larson also shaved another \$10,000 from technology. There would be \$500,000 for both contingency and ending fund balance. The district also proposed to cut Outdoor School which would preserve 1 to 2 teaching positions. At this time, the budget was at \$40,000. Ms. Larson explained it would be prudent to keep the \$40,000 available over dedicating it to a program or staff because as staff was let go and bumping of other staff began to happen, it would be difficult to predict the differences in salary that may occur. The \$40,000 would provide some flexibility. For 2010-2011 the prediction was for another 4 million dollar loss.

Ms. Larson handed out information on Title I and IDEA. The district was slated to receive additional, new stimulus funding of about \$400,000. The money could only be used at the elementary level and had a set spending parameters. Each elementary would gain 1 FTE in the form of a literacy coach. They cannot teach a class and the money cannot be used to backfill the general fund.

For IDEA, the district proposed realigning a half of an FTE and adding to 2 FTE RTI specialists. These would be new positions and a new program. Director of Student Services explained what Response to Intervention (RTI) was for the Board. As with Title I, the money could only be specifically used and could not backfill the general fund.

Staff was developing a hire back list which would be presented to the administrative team at the April 21, 2009 meeting. Superintendent Gray stated the district intended on putting money back into teachers and classrooms.

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Chair Woods adjourned the working session of the Parkrose Board of Education at 6:45 p.m.