

The Port Orford-Langlois School Board met in a regular session on June 9, 2025 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 Korinn Hockett, Bob Brown, Carol Hacherl and Angel Ashdown. Staff present in person were Superintendent Aaron Miller, Business Manager Tara Garratt. IT Director Jered Rush operated and recorded the Zoom meeting in person.

#### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance – the meeting was called to order by Korinn Hockett at 6:01 pm.
- 1.2 Staff and Visitors

#### 2.0 AGENDA CHANGES

The OSEA Contract final draft was received and added to the agenda as item 6.1. The consent agenda items 3.1 and 3.2 will be moved to the July 2025 meeting.

#### 3.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 3.1 Approve Minutes, May 19, 2025 Budget Meeting
- 3.2 Approve Minutes, May 19, 2025 Regular Meeting
- 3.3 Approve Resignation, Ari McCutcheon (SPED Aid)
- 3.4 Approve Resignation, Edward Williams (Teacher)
- 3.5 Approve Resignation, Jered Rush (IT Director)
- 3.6 Approve Hire, Victoria Sparks (SPED Teacher)
- 3.7 Approve Hire, Emily Jackson (Math Teacher)

Angel Ashdown moved and Carol Hacherl seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented, minus items 3.1 and 3.2, which will be available at the July meeting. Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Bob Brown and Angel Ashdown all voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 4.0 PUBLIC INPUT and EDUCATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

Amanda Carlton and her Pacific High School students Ashton Wood (Editor) and Devin Dupree (Lead Reporter) presented their Jolly Roger Newspaper. Seven editions of the paper were published this school year. Amanda praised Ashton and Devin for their writing and reporting abilities. Skyla Larson was not in attendance but was praised and has been promoted to lead reporter for next year. Ashton Wood described his experience with the paper which involved not only writing but a lot of in- depth researching, whether they did national or local stories, and appreciated the opportunity to get to know district staff. Devin was enthusiastic about the opportunity to get to know the local surroundings and people, and the chance to present stories from their perspectives as students. Amanda Carlton explained the paper is printed by the same printer that Matt Hall of the Port Orford News uses, and he does not charge for the service. Advertising space is available through Amanda Carlton. A highlight of the paper is a comic that will be drawn next year by Mia Johnson. Carol Hacherl related praise she had heard locally on the quality of the paper. There are plans to expand the paper next year; distribution will increase throughout the community.

## 5.0 REPORTS

### 5.1 Superintendent's Report

Aaron Miller's report is in the board materials. June 12 at 8:30 pm is a movie night at DWS. The state passed their funding. But it's still uncertain whether we have full funding for SIA and high school success dollars. We did receive a Title I increase this year. There are modifications to the COPS grant, which was shared. That work is going to start as soon as the doors get here, which have been ordered. Summer lunch hours are Monday through Thursday. Aaron included his work schedule for the year.

Aaron has had three homeschool meetings. Approximately 27 families are interested at this point. At least 20 students are needed to make the program viable. Aaron has contacts and support for the program through ODE, and has prepared information for 2CJ staff to share. He wants to emphasize while our classroom teaching is highly successful, we have a number of students and families that access education somewhere else and we want to be able to serve them. Families in neighboring districts have also expressed interest in the program.

### 5.2 Principal's Report

Shane Brown's written report is in the board materials. State testing data is included. The bright spots are science scores, which are decent compared to the state. We have some work to do with math, and ELA scores. Math continues to be an issue statewide. Shane discussed strategies for getting more student buy-in on completing assessments. Shane noted the students seemed to know they had staff members that were here to help them. He commended staff on their willingness to step in. Shane thanks the board members who were able to attend the graduation this year.

### 5.3 Transportation and Maintenance

The report is included in the materials.

### 5.4 Technology Report

Jered Rush reported he is trying to make his exit from the district as smooth as possible for his replacement. He has about 12 projects scoped out and is leaving a substantial amount of work for his replacement, but that is the nature of the job. The board thanked Jered for his service over these past 11 years.

### 5.5 Financial Report

Tara Garratt reported the budget had been her first priority, therefore no report was done. She has also been finalizing the audits. There was a slight error for the 23-24 audit and once the final report is complete, she is expecting good findings. Tara has also been filling in for admin assistant Stephanie Griffith during her absence. Best estimate for the ending fund balance is still about \$1.5M.

## 6.0 NEW BUSINESS

### 6.1 OSEA Contract

Aaron Miller presented the OSEA contract for board approval. We reviewed everything that our bargaining committee agreed to and made sure language was correct. There were two new items and typos that were added, but they do not impact on the budget. Aaron noted changes on pages 11, page 25, and page 45. Overall Aaron thought the process went very well. A significant raise was

negotiated; basically \$2 hour across the board for the first year and 50 cents an hour in the second year. Aaron noted the district's classified salaries were behind compared to other districts in the region, and believed we needed to honor the work of our employees and increase their rate of pay. Aaron hopes the staff feels appreciated for their hard work. The largest part of the district's budget is staff, who are crucial in helping our students. Both Carol Hacherl and Bob Brown agreed the process was very successful.

Bob Brown moved and Carol Hacherl seconded to approve OSEA 2025-2027 contract with the described edits. Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Bob Brown and Angel Ashdown all voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

7.0 OLD BUSINESS

7.1 Wally's House Training Update  
This will wait for Stephanie Griffith's return.

8.0 REOCCURRING BUSINESS

8.1 School Board Timeline Review and Calendar

Aaron noted the next board meeting will be July 21. He asked if the board would consider moving meetings start time to 5:00 pm. The timeline was included in the materials and reviewed. The board will consider changing the start time during their July meeting. There was some discussion about having an in-depth workshop to more review student data and what the board would like to see,.

9.0 FIRST READING OF POLICIES

None.

10.0 SECOND READING OF POLICIES

None.

11.0 BOARD COMMENTS/REPORTS

12.0 CORRESPONDENCE

None.

13.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Korinn Hockett adjourned the at 7:03 pm.

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Korinn Hockett  
Board Vice Chair

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Aaron Miller  
Superintendent/Clerk