

**THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR SESSION
March 12th, 2025**

Three Rivers School District Board of Directors met for a regular session Wednesday, March 12th, 2025, at the District Office, 8550 New Hope Road, Grants Pass, Josephine County, Oregon. The regular session was streamed online for the public and is currently available for viewing at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qb73klEXn_Q

PRESENT

Rich Halsted, Board Chair (virtual)
Pat Kelly, Board Vice-Chair
Jennifer Johnstun, Board Member
Nancy Reese, Board Member
Cameron Camp, Board Member (virtual)

Dave Valenzuela, Superintendent
Casey Alderson, Deputy Superintendent
Stephanie Allen-Hart, Director
Jessica Durrant, Director
Rob Saunders, Director
Jessica Knable, Recording Secretary

ABSENT:

None

Administrators present: Shelli Campos, Kellie Lovell, Monica Haley, Steven Fuller, Jessica Falkenhagen, Damian Crowson, Sam Osofsky, Michael Herzog, Mark Higgins, Mandy DelVaglio, Jenny Mohr, and Chris Carmiecke.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Vice-Chair Kelly called the meeting to order at: 6:06PM and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Member Reece made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Member Johnstun seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

SAY SOMETHING POSITIVE

Board members, the District Leadership Team, and Superintendent shared an outstanding school or district highlight of an event, activity, and/or kudos to TRSD staff or student.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Valenzuela presented the Superintendent's report and an overview of voting regarding policy IKF, a change in graduation requirements to be voted on tonight. He highlighted the different levels of diplomas offered by TRSD, the standard diploma, honors diploma, and CTE diploma.

COMMUNITY PARTNER OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION

Hidden Valley High School Principal Damian Crowson recognized Ed Starnier, Mike Reese, Phil Law, John DiBiasi, Scott Ward, Tom Matthew, & Ryan Wilson as our TRSD Community Partners of the Month. This group volunteered time and supplies to get the Hidden Valley baseball batting cage, press box and field ready for the 2025 season.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items in the consent agenda will be approved by a single motion unless a member of the Board or the Superintendent requests that an item or items be removed and voted upon separately.

- Routine Personnel Items – March 2025
- Athletic Coaches – March 2025
- Annual renewal, non-renewal, contract extension and non-extension of teachers and administrators as required by law.
- Draft Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - February 19th, 2025 – Board Regular Session
- Out of State Travel Requests (3)
- Board Policies – Second Reading:
 - BBF - *Board Members Standards of Conduct*
 - BBFC - *Reporting of Suspected Abuse of a Child*
 - CBC - *Superintendent's Contract*
 - CBG - *Evaluation of the Superintendent*
 - CCG - *Evaluation of Administrators*
 - IB - *Freedom of Expression*
 - IGBI - *Bilingual Education*
 - IKF - *Graduation Requirements*
 - IKJ - *Artificial Intelligence*
 - JBAA - *Section 504 - Students*
 - JFCM - *Threats of Violence*

Member Johnstun made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Member Reese seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

REPORTS – NO ACTION

- **Lincoln Savage Principal Mark Higgins highlighted the Environmental Exploration class led by Mr. Rude.**
 - The class explores careers related to the environment, goes on field trips, and offers hands on project-based instruction. Many community connections have been made making this class a reality and very popular among the students.
- **Woodland Charter School Annual Report**
 - Woodland Charter School Education Director Chris Carmiencke shared a slide deck presentation and informed the Board about:
 - Demographic Data
 - Academic Progress
 - School Goals
 - Fiscal Disposition
 - Grant Funding, Priorities, and expenses
 - Future Vision for Woodland
- **English Language Arts K-5 Adoption report**
 - Director Durrant along with teachers Kellie Cowie and Vicki DiStefano shared a slide deck presentation to provide the board with information on:
 - English Language Arts adoption recommendations
 - Recommending the Board adopt Amplify CKLA as the new English Language Arts curriculum
 - Provided the curriculum cost for a 7-year adoption at \$633,802.00
 - Funds will come from the Early Literacy Grant, SIA and General Fund
 - Curriculum is available for review to the public at the District Office now until the next meeting

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

- Eleven community members addressed the board: Amber Guient, David Lommel, Judy Ahrens, Rick Nelson, Mike Demeth, Jamie Wilson, Allison Roy, Shannon Hawbery, Steve Raycraft, Oliva Herrera, and

ACTION ITEMS

- **Superintendent Evaluation Summary**

- Board Chair Halsted discussed the proposed superintendent evaluation summary. He stated the evaluation summary was in the Board packet incase anyone wanted to read it. The evaluation was conducted by the board in February 2025.
- Member Johnstun made a motion to approve, Member Kelly seconds. 4 votes in favor, member Reece abstains without cause.

- **Superintendent Contract**

- Board Chair Halsted presents the Superintendent contract for D. Valenzuela. This contract is for the time period of July 1st, 2025 through June 30th, 2028.
- Member Johnstun made a motion to approve the contract, Board Chair Halsted seconds. 4 votes in favor, member Reece abstains without cause.

- **English Language Learners Planned Course Statements**

- Director Durrant proposes the English Language Learners planned course statements so ELL students can get credit for the following classes:
 - English Language Development 1 (ELD1)
 - English Language Development 2 (ELD2)
 - English Language Development 3 (ELD3)
 - English Language Development 4 (ELD4)
- Member Johnstun made a motion to approve the planned course statements, Member Kelly seconds. 4 votes in favor, Member Reece abstains without cause.

- **Hidden Valley High School Boys Volleyball Cooperative Team**

- Deputy Superintendent Alderson requests approval for a boys volleyball cooperative team with Grants Pass High School. Recognizes boys volleyball is an emerging sport per OSAA.
- Member Johnstun made a motion to approve the volleyball cooperative, Member Kelly seconds. Passes unanimously.

Suggested Future Agenda Items:

- Member Kelly requests an overview of the Book Approval process and policy.
- Member Kelly wants to discuss a Memorial Day celebration or program.
- Member Reese wants to revisit the flag policy.

Future Meeting Dates & Events:

- Wednesday April 2nd, 2025 Board work Session, District Office 5:00pm
- Wednesday April 16th, 2025, Board Regular Session at Hidden Valley High School 4:00pm
 - Student Panel at 2:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT

Board Vice-Chair Kelly adjourned the meeting at 8:01 PM.