



BOARD MEETING DATE
December 11, 2012

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

POLICY ISSUE/SITUATION

Enclosed are the minutes for:

- November 13 Business Meeting

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Minutes of the School Board's Business Meetings, Study Sessions, Work Sessions, Public Hearing and Special Sessions (executive and regular) are presented to the Board for approval at School Board Business Meetings.

RECOMMENDATION:

(12-242) BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the following School Board meeting be and hereby are approved:

- November 13 Business Meeting

The Beaverton School District recognizes the diversity and worth of all individuals and groups. It is the policy of the Beaverton School District that there will be no discrimination or harassment of individuals or groups based on race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, marital status, age, veterans' status, genetic information or disability in any educational programs, activities or employment.



Business Meeting

November 13, 2012

The School Board of Beaverton School District 48 conducted a Business Meeting at Beaverton School District Central Administration Office on November 13, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present:

LeeAnn Larsen, Chair
Sarah Smith, Vice Chair
Karen Cunningham
Linda Degman
Jeff Hicks
Tom Quillin

Staff Present:

Jeff Rose	Superintendent
Carl Mead	Deputy Superintendent of Teaching & Learning
Ron Porterfield	Deputy Superintendent of Operations & Support Services
Sue Robertson	Chief Human Resource Officer
Claire Hertz	Chief Financial Officer
Steve Langford	Chief Information Officer
Maureen Wheeler	Public Communication Officer
Barbara Evans	Executive Administrator
Holly Lekas	Executive Administrator
Brenda Lewis	Executive Administrator
Robin Kobrowski	Administrator for Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment
Jan Martin	Administrator for Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment
Jon Bridges	Administrator for Instructional Accountability

Visitors: 30

Media: 1

Call Meeting to Order – LeeAnn Larsen

School Board Chair LeeAnn Larsen called the Business Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Bill Wood led the group in the Pledge to the Flag.

Recognition of Students, Staff and Community

The Board recognized the following individuals for their outstanding achievements and contributions to the Beaverton School District and the community:

Bill Wood, parent volunteer at Chehalem Elementary School, was recognized for creating the Pages to Pillars program and recruiting volunteers as reading buddies. Bill positively impacted the lives of more than 300 students at Chehalem Elementary over the last three years.

Board Procedures – LeeAnn Larsen

LeeAnn Larsen asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There were no changes.

Public Participation

- Karen Hoffman, BEA president, addressed the Board with an update from Beaverton Education Association.

- 60 transferred teachers met and shared their experiences and frustrations. Process improvements will be planned.
- She encouraged the Board to have a Local Option Levy on the May ballot.
- Teachers, in spite of the difficulties, are focused and doing a great job of educating our students.
- Kevin O'Donnell encouraged the Board to have a Local Option Levy on the ballot in the spring, the sooner the better.
- John Burns spoke about the budget process and encouraged the Board to take advantage of the energy and passion of the community.
- Sarah Petrillo, ISB student, stated that teachers need special training to teach IB classes. Some of the IB teachers at her school do not have the training and she is fearful that some students will not be prepared for their exams.
- Beth Estock asked the Board to tax her. The schools are in need and the community is ready to support a levy.
- Veronika Nagy stated that music has been a big part of her life and the large class sizes are making it hard for her to get a good education.
- Jennifer Mohr spoke about the need for arts education in our schools as well as science, technology, engineering and math. STEM + art = STEAM.
- Lisa Shultz encouraged the Board to implement a student information privacy policy. She stated there are three actions to take, 1. Educate employees on procedures, 2. Work with legislators, 3. Advocate with OSBA to overhaul FERPA.
- Heather Goodpasture explained to the Board music class times are used for plan time for teachers. That means, in some schools, there are over 100 students brought together for music on a weekly basis. Students cannot learn or be safe in that environment.
- Michelle McHugh stated the transfer process needs to be corrected, teachers need to be in the right jobs.

Board Communication

Individual School Board Member Comments

- A. Karen Cunningham spoke of the passion of the community members that asked to be taxed. She stated that since the passing of Measure 5 school districts cannot tax citizens. She encouraged them to contact their legislative representatives.
Karen also gave a report on the OSBA convention. She heard Dr. Crew and Governor Kitzhaber speak and was impressed with their comments.
- B. Tom Quillin thanked everyone who voted in this very important election. Measures 84 and 85 were passed and they will be good for our schools.
- C. Jeff Hicks recognized the passing of a former principal, Toni Painter. She was a great person and principal.

Superintendent's Comments

- A. Supt. Rose had several comments:
 - He addressed the audience and stated if there is information that they wanted they can contact an administrator.
 - He told of a success story from Sunset High School. The school newspaper, Sunset Scroll, was struggling with leadership changes and a tight budget. Through great perseverance they were able to publish a commendable newspaper.
 - Addressing the transfer process, he stated there would be intent to mend what is possible to mend.
 - The School Board goals and the Superintendent's goals intersect. He wants to take advantage of the current energy and solidify our sense of purpose. He will announce a process before winter break.
 - Jeff stated that Maddie Lauer's passing puts a perspective on things.

High School Board Representatives – Holly Lekas

The following students presented a report to the Board on what is happening at their school.

- Jessica Palacios, Health and Science School
- Norah Al-Essa, Merlo Station High School
- Mariah Fish, Merlo Station High School

Reports

A. Updates from School Board Standing Committees

LeeAnn Larsen stated that the Strategic Plan Sub-Committee will be meeting on November 26.

B. Financial Report – Claire Hertz

Claire stated there has been little change since our last meeting 2 weeks ago.

Tom Quillin thanked Claire for the additional information on the reconciliation. Things look very tight, are there any areas that could cause problems?

Claire stated that they will be watching employee and substitute salaries.

C. Strategic Plan: Technology – Steve Langford

Steve Langford stated that Synergy has been their major focus since April. He thanked the staff in IT and Teaching & Learning for all their hard work. The second grading cycle went much smoother.

Questions & comments:

- A pilot school website utilizing SharePoint portal is to begin in winter. Is there a particular school that will be piloting this? Steve stated that he has had conversations with Westview High School, nothing finalized yet.
- The Parent Portal that will be coming out, is there a communication plan or training for the non-tech parents? The vendor has a communication plan set for that start up.
- Happy to see that the move to an enterprise wireless network is progressing.
- The Board would like to have a conversation about student data privacy (FERPA) in the future.

D. Strategic Plan: Human Resource Report – Sue Robertson

Sue Robertson addressed the teacher transfer process. She stated that you cannot have 344 positions layoffs without pain. Without the transfers we very well could have been hiring at the same time as the layoffs.

Questions & comments:

- The District will continue with teacher support.
- HR will be gathering teacher preferences from teachers for next year.
- 7 weeks is not enough time to adequately staff 51 schools. Staffing allocations are needed earlier.
- The collaborative spirit with the Beaverton Education Association was greatly appreciated.
- The Board thanked HR for all their hard work in such a short time; they did a great job.

E. Arco Iris Annual Evaluation – Jon Bridges

Jon Bridges stated that he is expecting the Arco Iris renewal in December. He reviewed the renewal criteria stating the Board may terminate the charter of a district-sponsored charter school for failure to:

- Meet the terms of the approved charter or any provision of the law;
- Meet the requirements of student performance in the charter;
- Correct a violation of federal or state law;
- Maintain insurance as described in the charter;
- Maintain financial stability; and
- Maintain the health and safety of the students.

Questions & comments:

- The Board asked for data on how our dual immersion programs are being impacted by Arco Iris' enrollment. Are there still openings at the District dual immersion programs?

A break was called at 7:50 p.m.

Action Items

A. Refunding of 2007 Bonds (12-227)

Claire Hertz stated with interest rates at record lows, the District has an opportunity to refund some of the 2004 and 2007 bonds and save local taxpayers approximately \$7 million in taxes over the remaining life of the bonds.

Karen Cunningham moved that the Beaverton School District 48j, Washington and Multnomah Counties, Oregon authorize the issuance, negotiated sale and delivery of general obligation refunding bonds; authorize submission of an advance refunding plan to the Oregon State Treasurer; designate an authorized representative, bond counsel, financial advisor and underwriter; delegate the approval and distribution of the preliminary and final official statements; authorize execution of a bond purchase agreement and related matters.

Sarah Smith seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Resolution Reimbursement of Bond Expenses (12-228)

Claire Hertz stated at the August 27, 2012 business meeting, the Board gave support to the initiation of pre-bond planning activities with a target election date of May 2014. The bonds would fund additional capacity at the high school level and K-5 schools as well as support the transition to full day kindergarten and the new physical education standards effective in 2017. The proceeds would be used to update older school and administrative facilities as well as provide resources for technology and curriculum updates.

The District will incur capital expenditures and will want to be reimbursed for expenditures of the project that were paid prior to issuance of the bonds.

Karen Cunningham moved that the Beaverton School District 48j, Washington and Multnomah Counties, Oregon declare its intent to reimburse expenditures from proceeds of tax-exempt obligations.

Linda Degman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

C. OSBA Board Position 15 Election (12-229)

The OSBA Board of Directors has requested all Board members vote on the candidate of their choice for their region. The elections will be held November 12 – December 14, 2012. Karen Cunningham is running unopposed for OSBA Board Position 15.

Tom moved to elect Karen Cunningham for the OSBA Board Position 15.

The Board voted unanimously to elect Karen Cunningham to the OSBA Board Position 15.

D. OSBA Resolution to Adopt Proposed 2013 OSBA Legislative Policies and Priorities (12-230)

The Board discussed the 2013 OSBA Legislative Policies and Priorities.

Questions & comments:

- It is a well-rounded collection of policies.
- Did PERS reform come up in the development of the discussions?
 - In section 3.2 Employees Rights and Benefits is a statement regarding a sound statewide retirement program for school employees.
- How can our Board support these great ideas?
 - A call to action will be sent out by email; Karen will keep the Board current.

Karen moved to vote on the OSBA Resolution of proposed 2013 OSBA Legislative Policies and Priorities.

Tom Quillin seconded.

The Board voted unanimously to accept the resolution.

E. Use of the District's Eminent Domain Authority (12-231)

Ron Porterfield stated that 4 of the District's 5 high schools are at or above capacity. A new high school will be needed by 2017. That includes 1 year to plan and 2 years to build. Properties the size needed for a high school are very scarce.

After an extensive search, staff has identified a suitable site located at the intersection of SW Scholls Ferry Road and SW 175 Ave. Beaverton, Oregon. The Crescent Grove Cemetery Association currently owns this site.

Representatives of the School District have been in communication with the Association discussing acquisition of this property for several years, both in meetings and in writing. The Association has rejected the District's proposed process for reaching a price agreement and has declined an invitation to present an alternative. In light of the District's inability to agree on a price of this parcel with the Association, the School District's only avenue for setting a fair price is through the use of its eminent domain authority.

During the Board's discussion they thanked Ron and his team for their commitment to the negotiation process. The Board does not take this action lightly; there are no other alternatives. This is the best course of action and hopefully a fair price can be negotiated.

Tom Quillin moved that the Beaverton School District Board of Directors approves use of the District's eminent domain authority under ORS 35.205 et. seq. relating to the Crescent Grove Cemetery Association property of approximately 15 acres for a school site.

Karen Cunningham seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

F. Consent Items:

Karen Cunningham moved to approve the consent grouping.

Linda Degman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

1. **Personnel (12-232)**

BE IT RESOLVED that the employees who are recommended herein for administrator and teacher elections, leaves of absence and resignations/terminations be accepted by the School Board as submitted at this meeting.

2. **Grant Report (12-233)**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Grant Report and Proposals be and hereby are approved.

3. **Approval of Board Meeting Minutes (12-234)**

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of the following School Board meeting be and hereby are approved:

October 29, 2012 – Business Meeting

4. **Minutes from Community Engagement Committees (12-235)**

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board and administrative staff received the minutes from the Community Engagement Committees as an information item.

5. **Second Reading of School Board Policies (12-236)**

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board approved changes to the following Board Policy:

- EEA – Student Transportation Services
- IGBAF – Special Education – Individualized Education Program (IEP)
- IGBHE – Extended Options Program
- KBA – Right to Inspect Public Records

Closing Comments and Next Steps – Jeff Rose

Superintendent Jeff Rose made the following closing comments:

- We will continue to work on the transfer process.
- We will report back on FERPA and student data privacy.
- There is a sense of urgency on local option funding.
- What does it actually mean to invest in our students? Is that actual dollars, capital human effort, support?

LeeAnn Larsen stated her appreciation for all the administrative work on the Budget, Technology and Human Resources reports this evening. She also stated her appreciation that the administration, teachers, BEA are all working together.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Carol Marshall, Recording Secretary

LeeAnn Larsen, School Board Chair