

**THREE RIVERS SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING
April 18, 2017**

Three Rivers School District Board of Directors met for a regular session, Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at Lorna Byrne Middle School, 101 Junction Ave., Cave Junction, Josephine County, Oregon. A full recording of the meeting is available on the District web page.

PRESENT

Danny York, Board Chair	Casey Alderson, Director
Kate Dwyer, Board Vice Chair	Stephanie Allen-Hart, Director
Paul Kelly, Board Member	Debbie Simons, Director
Ron Lengwin, Board Member	Jessica Durrant, Director
Dave Valenzuela, Superintendent	Shelly Quick, Recording Secretary

Administrators: David Regal/Evergreen Elementary School Principal, Scott Polen/Lorna Byrne Middle School Principal and Tanner Smith/Illinois Valley High School Principal.

ABSENT:

Kara Olmo, Board Member

CALL TO ORDER / EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board Chair York called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM in Executive Session under ORS 192.660(2)(d) "*Collective Bargaining.*" (Kara Olmo absent)

Mr. York recessed Executive Session at 5:25 p.m. Members of the board then toured the Head Start facility located on the Lorna Byrne campus

REGULAR SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:10 PM and Mr. York led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Ms. Dwyer made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Kelly seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

SAY SOMETHING POSITIVE

Mr. Kelly attended recent track meets – Hidden Valley and North Valley did very well against the 5 and 6A schools that were there and it was a great performance by all of our athletes. He also recognized the recent Sparrow events by North Valley. Ms. Dwyer shared that today at Illinois Valley High School the community hosted Representative Peter DeFazio for a Town Hall. The students did a great job being prepared. Mr. Lengwin commented that Senior Superstars this year will include Grants Pass. The event will be at Grants Pass High School and outside on the field – Saturday, May 6th. Superintendent Valenzuela reported that the Illinois Valley High School football team has been cutting wood as a fundraiser. Joe and Patricia Krauss lost their house due to a fire last summer. They are allowing the football team to cut up the salvaged wood and sell it. If students work they earn \$10/hour towards their sports fees. Director Durrant recently attended a track meet hosted by Lincoln Savage, held at Hidden Valley. It was so very well run. Fleming helped as well – it was a great group effort. Director Alderson

echoed Ms. Dwyer – Having Mr. DeFazio at Illinois Valley High School was quite an event and a great way to bring the community in to the school. Students asked very well thought out questions. He also worked at a track meet last week and he watched one of our seventh grade girls at Lincoln Savage break the school record in the 100 meters – she was under thirteen seconds. Director Simons added that with the collaboration grant we have a trainer in the district this week. Yesterday the secondary POINT's (peer observers in training) had their first live classroom observation. It was fascinating listening as they debriefed and she was impressed with the professionalism of our teachers. Director Allen-Hart acknowledged Lisa Cross for her work on the district budget. She is always available to answer questions. Mr. York attended a track meet at SOU to watch his son's throw. He saw a lot of alumni from our district that are doing well academically.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- The town hall meeting at Illinois Valley HS was great. One of the highlights for him was the focus Mr. DeFazio put on the students.
- Wastewater treatment update – The Manzanita rest area has hit a slowdown, not a stop. The OTE (Oregon Travel Experience) drawings have gone to engineering. The original estimated cost was \$60,000. The cost that came back from engineering is looking like \$150,000 and has to go to the Department of Justice for approval for the funds to be released. They intend to keep the timeline and he will request a commitment letter from OTE. There is no cost to the district.
- Fruitdale portables – Last year the board approved a site plan that added two portables to Fruitdale. It was approved by City Planning. At that time we put in one portable (2 classrooms) which gives Fruitdale 17 viable classrooms. At this time they need 17 classrooms to run the programs currently in place. He wants to move forward with putting in the second portable as there is a need for at least one more classroom for next year. He doesn't anticipate the portable to be ready for students on the first day of school.
- Mr. Valenzuela spoke about the upcoming levy and the positive relationship the Sheriff Daniel. It has been far more responsive and far more collaborative. It's proactive and has been a great relationship. He then read a letter from Sheriff Daniel that expressed his concern should the levy fail.

ILLINOIS VALLEY AREA REPORT

- Illinois Valley High School Principal Tanner Smith shared some highlights. The valedictorians and salutatorians have been selected – Ari Dwyer, valedictorian and shared that his salutatorian, Aliena Goff, has autism and finished high school with a 4.0. They had Peter DeFazio at the high school today. He was very proud of his students and their questions. He talked about the help given to his schools' CTE program by the Board Chair (Danny York) in helping them resolve some power issues. Mr. Smith really appreciated the helping hand to fix their shop program. He shared how his staff and students came together to support one of their staff members who recently lost a baby.
- Lorna Byrne Middle School Principal Scott Polen thanked everyone for attending the board meeting at his school. Mr. Polen shared the success of their *Cavetown Underground* performance. He shared pictures from the eighth grade moving on ceremony. They are working on Trauma Informed Care in their professional development. He shared how the *Studio to School* people are teaching his teachers how to use movement in their lessons. The advanced choir group competed recently in a local competition and did a great job. The Illinois River Valley Arts Council comes and works with the students about three times a year, with seventh and eighth grade social studies and make projects, taking art and infuse it into the regular lessons. They are almost one to one, Chromebooks for students, at their school. Healthy U provided an opportunity on the evening of March 18 for students to recognize and grieve their lost loved ones. Food and music were provided.
- Evergreen Elementary Principal David Regal shared the great work going on in their Title program, including the upcoming Title Family Nights to reach out in reading and math. They are in their second year of the KPI grant, which supports their pre-K learning. The program is currently offering *Kaleidoscope Play* every Friday for two hours. It gives parents and kids time to come in and work with their kids (ages 3-5) in a playroom environment. There is also a Kinderbound after school program taking place on Mondays and Wednesdays to help get the kids ready for school. They have Dr. Kendra Coats coming to Evergreen to help with early literacy

and growth mindset. They are offering skill training for parents through their Oregon parenting education classes. The Art of the Fiddle program has been highly successful with students and staff. They have offered it to all 1st through 4th grade students. They are working on a way to sustain the program next year.

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 – April 2017
- Coaches – April 2017
- Grant Requests (3)
- Out of State Travel Requests (6)
- Draft Minutes of Previous Meetings:
 - Board Work Session – February 7, 2017
 - Board Regular Session – February 21, 2017
 - Board Regular Session – March 7, 2017

Mr. Kelly made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Ms. Dwyer seconded the motion. There was some discussion. Mr. York called for a vote on the motion to approve the Consent Agenda and the motion passed 3-1 (Mr. Lengwin opposed).

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

- There were none.

REPORTS – NO ACTION

- **Hidden Valley FBLA Happenings**
 - Chapter President Devan Pine shared that the Hidden Valley chapter has earned its 16th consecutive Chapter of the Year award. Many students have earned the opportunity to attend the national conference this summer in Anaheim, California. Jasmine Pinkerton shared some of the financial obstacles that might be present for students and asked the board for their continued support. The cost is \$1800 per student to attend.
- **OSAA Reclassification Committee**
 - Director Alderson has been serving on the OSAA Reclassification and Redistricting Committee. They expect a final recommendation to the Executive Board in October. He reviewed some of the proposals. The five classification structure is the one he feels is best-suited for our district and the state of Oregon. He invited board members to provide their input.
- **Arts Integration Masterclasses**
 - Gina Angelique with RiverStars Performing Arts shared what is going on with arts integration. Arts educators are being put in the classrooms to work with teachers. In an effort to sustain the program this year they are directly teaching the teachers on Friday mornings. The training is available to other schools. Ms. Dwyer commented on the high quality of the Cavetown performance and shared some of the positive feedback from students and parents.
- **March Ending Fund Balance**
 - District Accountant Lisa Cross shared that there is a huge change in the ending fund balance. The legislature has taken the entire \$20 million set aside in the state budget and put it back in the state school fund. Also, their December and March revenue forecasts came in so much higher that they put an additional \$30-40 million back into the budget. The per student amount was increased enormously.

- **District Power Usage**
 - Ms. Cross reported that there are two types of breakdowns for power usage in the board packet. She explained the monthly comparison and the check breakdown and asked the board their preference for future reporting. They liked the monthly comparison and Ms. Cross responded she will continue to have that report in the monthly board packets. Ms. Cross also informed the board that we currently have bids in for software that could analyze the numbers in depth, but it takes money and people so they are working on the best way to make it a successful program.

ACTION ITEMS

- **Woodland Charter School (Lease/Charter) Revisions**
 - Superintendent Valenzuela reported as a follow up to the work session with Woodland Charter School last week. He will be helping them develop a plan for improvement around academic success and measurement.
 - He brought forward an action item for the board to consider the exclusive purchase right for Woodland Charter for the property they are currently utilizing on Murphy Creek Road. He recommended they run that exclusive right through the end of their current lease, which is 2023.
 - Mr. Kelly made a motion to extend the exclusive right of purchase to the end of their current lease in 2023. Mr. Lengwin seconded the motion. There was some discussion. Mr. York called for a vote and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Resolution – Teacher Appreciation Week**
 - Board Chair York announced Teacher Appreciation Week is May 1-5. He read the proposed resolution.
 - Ms. Dwyer made a motion to approve the board resolution for Teacher Appreciation Week. Mr. Kelly seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.
- **Planned Course Statements**
 - Algebra I
 - Algebra II
 - Geometry
 - Precalculus
 - Discrete Math / Coding (Intro to Javascript)
 - Director Alderson brought forward five planned course statements for approval and explained they have been updated to closer outline what it is they are teaching in the classrooms. They are going back to the traditional names of the courses. There is an additional math course, Discrete Math/Coding, which will give students the opportunity to earn math credit.
 - Ms. Dwyer made a motion to approve the five planned course statements. Mr. Kelly seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

SUGGESTED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Mr. York asked about the Pathways Model the was previously approved with David Holmes for middle school students going in to high school. Superintendent Valenzuela will research it and get back to the board.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

- May 9, 2017 – 5:00 p.m. District Office – *Budget Committee Meeting*
- May 16, 2017 – 6:00 p.m. District Office – *Board Regular Session*
- May 23, 2017 – 5:00 p.m. District Office – *Budget Committee Meeting*

- June 20, 2017 – 6:00 p.m. – *Board Regular Session*

ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair York adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Danny York
Chairperson of the Board

Dave Valenzuela
Superintendent-Clerk

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