



BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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MINUTES

BOARD MEETING

5:15 p.m. Executive Session (non-public session)

6 p.m. Business Session (public session)

April 12, 2022

This meeting was held by electronic means only, with board member/participant access online only as well as the public viewing access.

Public Access: Electronic, Live-stream

English: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eVBUj7xv3fs>

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The meeting was also broadcast on CC:Media, channel 21. Closed caption in English is available through CC:Media television and YouTube.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Board Attendance
All board members were present.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION (non-public session)

The board met in executive session under the following Oregon Revised Statutes:

- a. ORS 192.660(2)(e) to conduct deliberations with persons designated to negotiate real property transactions.
- b. ORS 192.660(2)(f) to consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection.

3. RECONVENE 6 p.m. (public session)

- a. Diverse Welcome Message
Board Chair Avila read a diverse welcome message, noting we will strive to be inclusive, respectful, and welcoming to our students, staff, educators, administrators, board members, and all community members.
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Agenda Modifications
There were no agenda modifications.

4. SPOTLIGHTS

- a. Spotlight on Success
 - (1) Shaun Dohman and Janelle Cash, Teachers, Sprague High School, Sprague Unified Cup
 - (2) Natalie Peton, Teacher, McNary High School, Social Studies Class Creativity
 - (3) Leadership Students and Teacher Amber Sweeny, Whiteaker Middle School, Projects Supporting the School and Community

5. REPORTS

a. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Perry introduced Tamra Goettsch, Marion County Director of Community Services, who provided information about child abuse prevention.

Superintendent Perry provided some information on the district's LGBTQ+ policy work, including what we know, research, what policy work has been done. Assistant Superintendent Udosenata then provided a quick update on response to fighting and physical aggression.

Student Advisor to the School Board Grace Caldwell reported on student community ambassador meetings and shared voices of students.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following people submitted written public comment, which the board received and which was posted to the district website: Heather Rutkowski, Rosanne Ricci, Colin Starr, Cameron Cole, Meredyth Goldberg Edelson, Kathleen Johnson, Sarah Rohrs, Kimberly Sekishy, Hannah Kendall, Lori C. Sperry Bates, Patrice and Michael Pollard, Brenda Rojas, Elise English, Kim Davis, Liane Chu, Pheobe J. May, Sarah Comerford, Jessica Larson, Dylan Corvidae, Heather Dorothy McNeal, Melissa Nordgren, Megan Hinzdel, Amy Lotspeich, Gaelen McAllister, Jay Gipson-King, Deborah Barber, Christi Miller, Chris Roberts, George B Hafemann III, Anna Mu, Shawna Herrera, Patti McConville, Lisa Ryan, Amanda Green, Chelsea M. Harris, Cierra LaBounty, Tim Hensley, Mike Slagle, Lillian Bergstedt, Linda Diana Warner, Kristen Adame, Devon Francis, Emily Deumling, Karen Louise Hensly, L. Morris, Laci Steed, Laurie Dougherty, Kris Bifulco, Jenny Maguire, Jesse Adame, Ashley Sparks, Chris Barber, Beth Freeborn, Gaby Gardiner, Lindsey Gill, Marlayne Madison, Robirda Lee

The board heard public comment from the following individuals on a variety of topics, including the Teacher Appreciation Week Proclamation, Child Abuse Prevention Proclamation, board governance policies regarding 2nd vice chair and in-person, LGBTQ+ policies, and other topics: Maricela Lagos Garcia, Olga Gonzales, Tyler Scialo-Lakeberg, Stephanie Hentze, Cassity Troutt, Julisa Rodriguez, Bryan Steed, Sandra (last name not provided), Nayeli Cruz, Levi Herrera-Lopez, Dr. Annie Snow, Mae (last name not provided), Bobbie Rogers, Alex B. (last name not provided), Santos Martinez, Isabela Gaupo, Roberto Garces Mendez, Angelique Prater, Marie Hernandez, Luis B. (last name not provided), Hannah Shooting Bear.

The following individuals signed up to provide public comment during the meeting but were not able to be heard within the designated timeframe, or they withdrew or did not call in to the meeting as anticipated: Vincente Olivas, Angela Hurtado Mendoza, Grecia Gomez, Dr. Marilyn Williams, Mayra Romero, Alondra S (last name not provided) Cindy R. (last name not provided), Yadira Juarez, Angie Ramirez, Jordan Grim, Alma Campos, Emma Robbins, Kristi Tomlin, Elizabeth Swan, Rachel Thorsett, Angela Plowhead, Andrew Hickey, Linda Farrington, Alejandro R. (last name not provided), Destin Call, Devin Doring, Gerald Turner, Colin Duane Stapleton, Marcia Richard, Oakley Fielder, Meghan Mowbray, Trish Davis, Mackenzie Mullins.

Chair Avila reminded those who were not able to be heard tonight they are welcome to email their comment to the board.

7. ACTION ITEMS

a. Approve the Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation

Superintendent Perry commented on the proclamation, restating the district's commitment to child abuse prevention. Director Carson Cottingham read the proclamation.

Director Chandragiri moved and Director Heyen seconded to approve the Child Abuse Prevention Month proclamation. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Approve the Teacher Appreciation Week Proclamation

Superintendent Perry commented on the proclamation, stating huge appreciation for the district's educators and expressing thanks for the way teachers show up for student each and every day. She also thanked the member of the Coalition who provided such moving public comment about teachers. Director Hinojos Pressey read the proclamation.

Vice Chair Carson Cottingham moved and Director Chandragiri seconded to approve the proclamation. The motion passed unanimously. Board members expressed appreciation for teachers.

c. Adopt Resolution No. 202122-19: Request from the City of Salem to the Salem-Keizer District Taxing District

Superintendent Perry briefly reviewed the item. Chair Avila added comments regarding a meeting he and Vice Chair Carson Cottingham had with Scott Cantonwine regarding the agreement. Scott Cantonwine provided additional comment and thanked the board for their consideration.

Director Chandragiri moved and Vice Chair Carson Cottingham seconded to adopt Resolution No. 202122-19 – Request from the City of Salem to the Salem-Keizer District Taxing District. The motion passed unanimously.

d. Approve Revision of Board Governance Policies / Addition of 2nd Vice Chair to Board Leadership: BG-11 Board Operations, BG-9 Board Chair's Role, BG-10 Agenda Planning

Superintendent Perry introduced the item and turned it back to the board chair.

Director Guzmán Ortiz moved and Director Hinojos Pressey seconded to approve revision of Board Governance Policies (BGs) 11, 9, and 10, to add a 2nd vice chair to board leadership. The motion passed four to three with Chair Avila, Vice Chair Carson Cottingham and Directors Hinojos Pressey and Guzman Ortiz approving, and Directors Heyen, Chandragiri, and Bethell opposing.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Acceptance of Grants
- b. Approval of Personnel Actions
- c. Approval of Howard Street Charter School Contract

Director Heyen pulled Item 8.b. Director Heyen moved and Director Hinojos Pressey moved to accept the consent calendar, with the exception of item 8.b, which she pulled. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Heyen noted resignations and retirements for item 8.b. Board members commented and asked clarifying questions, which Superintendent Perry addressed. Director Heyen moved to accept item 8.b. The motion passed unanimously. Director Chandragiri noted that he seconded.

9. READINGS

- a. Revision of Board Governance Policies / Return to In-Person Board Meetings Procedures: BG-11 Board Operations, BG-12 Role of the Budget Committee

Chair Avila reviewed the changes in policies and reasoning behind them. He reminded board members to submit questions to board leadership. Board members commented. This item will move forward to a future board meeting for action.

INFORMATION/STANDARD REPORTS (provided in written form only)

- b. Monitoring Data Report – through March 2022
- c. Board Meeting Schedule

Board members asked questions around the monitoring data report and restorative practices, which Superintendent Perry addressed. She noted her team will review data to show trends, and that it would be good to get board members out in middle schools.

10. BOARD REPORTS

- a. Director Heyen: Attended ribbon cutting for CTEC Café. Reported she wasn't allowed to attend a book reconsideration meeting yesterday. Chair Avila addressed the matter with Director Heyen. McKay FFA plant sale is coming up.
- b. Director Hinojos Pressey: Addressed the book reconsideration practice. Attended the COG and SKATS meetings. Commented on safety of students.
- c. Director Bethell: Addressed the book reconsideration practice.
- d. Director Chandragiri: Addressed upcoming work session on dual language. Noted graffiti at his clinic.
- e. Director Guzmán Ortiz: Attended the SIA committee meeting.
- f. Student Advisor Caldwell: Will be attending budget committee meetings.
- g. Vice Chair Carson Cottingham: Attended elementary choir concert. Attended SSHS success fund raising money for Celia's College and Career Center.
- h. Chair Avila: Addressed the book reconsideration practice.

11. ADJOURNMENT: 9:07 p.m.