



BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
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## MINUTES

### BOARD MEETING

4:45 p.m. Executive Session (non-public session)

6:00 p.m. Business Session (public session)

January 10, 2023

*Board and designated staff only meet in person, Support Services Center, 2575 Commercial Street SE, Salem, Oregon.*

#### *Public access is available online:*

English: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vL25xuaRhoA>

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Meeting broadcast on CC:Media, channel 21. Closed caption in English through CC:Media television and YouTube.

#### 1. **CALL TO ORDER**

##### a. Attendance

All board members were present, with Director Heyen present online. Student Advisor McDonald was present, Student Advisor Brennan was absent.

#### 2. **EXECUTIVE SESSION (non-public session)**

The board met in executive session under the following Oregon Revised Statute (ORS):

- a. ORS 196.660(2)(f) to consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection
- b. ORS 192.660(2)(d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations
- c. ORS 192.660(2)(h) to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed

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

##### a. Land Acknowledgement

Director Avila read the Land Acknowledgement.

##### b. Pledge of Allegiance

##### c. Agenda Modifications

There was a slight agenda modification to include time for Director Avila to address the board and community.

Director Avila read a statement of apology, addressing his actions at the West Salem/Sheldon JV football game in the fall. Because of a technical issue with his mic, Director Avila read the statement a second time to ensure all viewers could hear him.

#### 4. **SPOTLIGHT ON SUCCESS**

##### a. Spotlights

- (1) Safety & Risk Management Services, Department Spotlight
- (2) Marion and Polk Food Share, Community Spotlight
- (3) Beat the Odds Scholar Elizabeth Valencia

5. **REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS**

a. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Perry provided a brief preview of the 2023-24 budget season, including budget committee openings, legislative year, services levels, and ESSER. She then turned the report over to Assistant Superintendent Udosenata, who provided an update on curriculum adoption for middle school language arts and social studies, including the process and the committee's charge and approach. Board members asked clarifying questions, which Assistant Superintendent Udosenata and Curriculum Director Gwen Bruey Finck addressed.

b. Chair's Update on Superintendent Search

Chair Carson Cottingham provided a brief update on the superintendent search, including updated recommendations for the makeup of the community interview panels and next steps in the process. She reported that Human Capital Enterprises has completed preliminary interviews as have a number of high-caliber candidates.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals provided public comment during the board meeting on topics including, the superintendent search, monitoring data report, spotlights, board governance policies, and other topics: Casity Troutt, Maraline Ellis, Angela Plowhead, Jeff Jabin, Edie Buchanan, Tyler Scialo-Lakeberg

The following individuals provided written public comment, which was posted to the district website: Jessica Davidson, Mike Slagle, Deb Romano, Katherine Stone, Jane Herb

7. **ACTION ITEMS**

a. Approve Revisions to Board Governance (BG) Policies 1, 3, 4, 7, 9, 11, 12

Chair Carson Cottingham and Superintendent Perry provided a brief review of this item. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Hinojos Pressey moved and Director Avila seconded to approve revisions to Board Governance (BG) Policies 1, 3, 4, 7, 9, 11, and 12. Board members discussed the motion and asked questions, specifically around BG-7, which Chair Carson Cottingham, Superintendent Perry, and Attorney Rebekah Jacobson addressed. The motion passed 6 to 1 with Director Heyen opposed.

8. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a. Acceptance of Grants
- b. Personnel Actions

Director Avila moved and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Hinojos Pressey seconded to approve the consent calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

9. **READINGS/DISCUSSION**

a. Iris Valley Charter School Proposal

Superintendent Perry provided a review of the Iris Valley Charter School Proposal. This item will come before the board at the January 24 meeting, which will include more information, a hearing, public comment, district recommendation, and a vote to approve or deny the proposal.

10. **INFORMATION/STANDARD REPORTS (written form only)**

- a. SIA 2021-22 Audit Report
- b. Monitoring Data Report – December 2022
- c. Board/Budget Meeting Calendar

Superintendent Perry briefly highlighted the SIA report, noting the requirement for the audit and that it is included as part of the district audit.

11. **BOARD REPORTS**

Board reports are to share the work from formal committee assignments and activities of the board related to youth programs and school district activities.

- a. Student Advisor McDonald: Attended District Equity Advisor Committee meeting; visited Sprague life skills classrooms
- b. Director Chandragiri: No committee reports; expressed appreciation to Superintendent Perry and fellow board members
- c. Director Avila: Looking forward to celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- d. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Hinojos Pressey: Attended OSBA Legislative Policy Committee meeting
- e. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair Guzman Ortiz: Attended English Language Arts/Social Studies Adoption Committee meeting
- f. Director Salazar: Expressed appreciation for board, teachers, and staff
- g. Chair Carson Cottingham: Attended OSBA Legislative Policy Committee meeting; has now joined the OSBA Board of Directors; attended the winter concert at South Salem; shoutout to McKay Culinary for providing tonight's board dinner

Superintendent Perry noted an event coming up: "From the Hatbox of Willie Richardson," opens this weekend. Willie Richardson is a former board member.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

The public session of the board meeting concluded at 7:53 p.m. with the board then going into executive session under ORS 192.660(2)(h) to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed. No board business was conducted following conclusion of the meeting.