

Board Members:	Greg Miller, President; Duane Pegg, Scott Jones, Debbie Carter-Bowhay, and Hillary Bearden.
Administration:	Kurt Hilyard, Superintendent; Heather Sweet, Teaching and Learning/Special Services; Chris Pollard, JR/SR HS Principal; and Dr. Cindy Risher, Elementary Principal.

Call to Order: 1.0 The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm and the flag salute was led by President, Greg Miller.

Approval of Minutes: 2.0 It was moved and seconded (DP/DC) that the Board approve the minutes of the March 26, 2019 regular meeting as presented thereby ratifying all actions taken.

M/C, unanimous.

Student Recognition 3.0 This month, four students were honored:

- Clayton Welch (9th Grade – Rodgers)
- Jazmin Gomez (9th Grade – Iseminger)
- Leon Bertoliatti (10th Grade – Krause)
- Natalie Cain (10th Grade – Christensen)

Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items 4.0 Brooke Priest came to express her concern over the schools' current lice/nit policy.

Consent Agenda: 5.0 It was moved and seconded (DC/HB) that the consent agenda be approved, thereby approving items 5.1 – 5.11, which includes:

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| General Fund | 5.1 | |
| ASB Fund | 5.2 | |
| Transportation Fund | 5.3 | • The March General, A.S.B., Transportation, Debt Service, and Capital Projects Fund status reports; |
| Debt Services Fund | 5.4 | • Payroll warrants 537147 – 537173 in the amount of \$637,523.78; |
| Capital Projects Fund | 5.5 | • Payroll Accounts Payable warrants 537134 – 537146 in the amount of \$14,062.70; |
| Payroll | 5.6 | • Resignation of Andrew Porter as Transportation Director and Jason Barnum as varsity girls' basketball coach; |
| Payroll Accounts Payable | 5.7 | • New hires Nicholas French as Director of Teaching and Learning/Special Education, Christy Zelepuzza as Special Education Paraeducator, Keith Beck and Ryan Reid as part-time assistant baseball coaches, Brian Snell as assistant track coach; |
| Resignations | 5.8 | • First Reading of Policy 2410P; and |
| New Hires | 5.9 | • Second Reading of Policy and Procedure 3141 & 4310P on April 23, 2019. |
| Board Policy Review – First Reading | 5.10 | |
| Board Policy Review – Second Reading | 5.11 | |

M/C, Unanimous

Finance Reports: 6.0
General Fund, ASB, Transportation, Capital Projects, and Comp Tax Warrants 6.1 It was moved and seconded (DC/DP) that the General Fund, A.S.B., and Department of Revenue warrants be approved, thereby certifying that the merchandise and services have been received and/or performed for payment: *(optional reading)*

- General Fund warrants 537190 – 537259 in the amount of \$131,148.16;
- A.S.B. Fund warrants 537175 – 537189 in the amount of \$11,227.70;
- Capital Projects warrant 537174 in the amount of \$99.00; and
- Department of Revenue warrants 537260 - 537261 in the amount of \$231.17 on April 23, 2019.

M/C, unanimous

General and ASB Fund Void/Reissues 6.2 It was moved and seconded (DC/DP) that the General Fund warrant void be approved, thereby certifying that the merchandise and services have been received and/or performed for payment: *(optional reading)*

- General Fund warrant 537109 void in the amount of \$92.00;
- ASB Fund warrant 537178 void in the amount of \$69.46;
- ASB Fund warrant 537262 reissue in the amount of \$62.94;
- ASB Fund warrant 537182 void in the amount of \$683.92; and
- ASB Fund warrant 537263 reissue in the amount of \$684.72 on April 23, 2019.

M/C, unanimous

Informational Reports: 7.0
March Enrollment 7.1 April FTE Enrollment was 601.76. The 2018/19 budgeted FTEs was 550.

Principals' Report

7.2 Dr. Risher spoke about:

- The 6th grade classes are very full. Classrooms are being rearranged to accommodate the increase. The teachers are okay with the class sizes at this time.
- The elementary is fully staffed for the 2018/19 school year again with the hiring of the new SpEd Paraeducator tonight. There are two openings for next school year for a 3rd grade teacher and a music teacher.
- Dr. Risher has interviewed 5 candidates for the 3rd grade position and will interview one more later this week. A potential music teacher interview is set for this Friday. She plans on recommending the new hires at the next board meeting.
- State testing is coming up with the 5th grade science testing first. 3rd through 6th grade Math and ELA testing will occur over a two-week span.
- Next week, the elementary is holding a kindergarten open-house/pre-registration night for families. Kindergarten teachers will be planning activities for potential incoming students. Packets will be handed out for families to start planning. Dr. Risher believes this event will help predict kindergarten enrollment numbers for the 2019/20 school year.
- Dr. Risher has started working on the Master Schedule for 2019/20.

Mr. Pollard spoke about:

- The JH/HS is looking to expand the music program, but this is dependent on the hiring of a new music teacher.
- Honor Society field trip had a positive experience in Portland.
- Math Team went to state and competed in an open division. The team came in 4th and multiple students placed well individually.
- SAT testing is taking place on May 4th.
- Prom will be held at the Grayland Hall on 4/27.
- Seniors received their caps/gowns from Jostens this week.
- SBAC Testing is starting on 4/29.
- The AP Exam is taking place on 5/8.
- Band and 8th grade field trips are coming up.
- Regional/State baseball and fastpitch coming up if the qualify.
- A new student club called "Bloom" has been meeting during the OEL After School Program on a regular basis. The students' goal is to improve the school environment and community.
- Mr. Pollard commended Mr. Watkins, Mr. Christensen, and Mr. Jones for doing a great job supporting students in the OEL After School Program.
- Kim Bambauer is working on publishing an article for the South Beach Bulletin regarding this year's summer school program.
- The JH will have a 6th grade orientation on June 5th. The 7th grade will also gather in groups that day to discuss school and sport involvement.

Teaching and Learning Director's Report

7.3 Ms. Sweet spoke about:

- State Assessment training materials have been passed out to the staff at both buildings.
- Ms. Sweet informed the board that the Birth to 3 program is going to be run by the state eventually. Ocosta will handle the services until Parent to Parent and the State are ready to take control.
- Student Graduation Update: One student has dropped out and is likely not graduating. Two students may not graduate because they did not pass standardized tests. If HB1599 is passed, these students may be eligible to graduate if they complete certain criteria such as getting a college acceptance or taking an alternative test.
- There is no guarantee that the 21st Century Community Learning Center grant for the elementary will be renewed for next year. The district will know for sure by July 8th. If the grant is not renewed, Ms. Sweet is looking into working with the YMCA to establish a local program for after school child care.

Superintendent's Report

7.4 Superintendent Hilyard spoke about:

- For 2019/20, instructional paraeducators will be required to have 28hrs of professional development training. When the training is complete instructional paraeducators will have three years to complete 70hrs of training to maintain their credentials.
- Three board members are up for re-election this spring: Debbie Carter-Bowhay, Duane Pegg, and Greg Miller.
- Late start moved to May 15th (from May 24th) due to bus inspections taking place on May 24th.
- The district will need to use some of the cash balance to get through this year. The cash balance will likely not last more than 2-3 years.
- The WSSDA regional meeting next week in Aberdeen. Supt. Hilyard and board members will be attending the meeting.
- Supt. Hilyard's last day as superintendent will be June 20th or 21st.

- Supt. Hilyard asked the board for volunteers to pass out diplomas at graduation.
- A rough draft of the Transportation Supervisor position was reviewed. Supt. Hilyard asked the board to submit changes they'd like to see for the posting. The interview team would consist of Heather, Kurt, and Greg. Supt Hilyard would like to have a meet and greet with the bus drivers, after conducting the interviews. Andy may take 5 days to work at Willapa Valley before he leaves in June. In turn, he would return and work at Ocosta for 5 days to train the new hire.
- Supt Hilyard reread his quote from the September 25, 2018 board meeting regarding the ratification of the 2018/19 OEA contract. *"I recommend the board's acceptance of the tentative agreement developed with the Ocosta Education Association. I do want it noted in the minutes that the school district cannot sustain this salary package and maintain current staffing, in the near future, IF the legislature does not significantly address the financial shortfalls they have ultimately created through the 2017 HB2242 (known as the "McCleary Education Funding Plan") and the 2018 SB6362 (known as the "McCleary Fix")."*
- Legislation Update: The district will be required to pay SEBB benefits for all staff members working over 630hrs a year. The district is required to pay whether the employee elects to have coverage or not. State provided funding will be limited to employees paid by basic education sources. Insurance for non-basic staff members who are paid out of the categorical funding will have to be funded by those sources. (i.e. SpEd, Lap, Title I, etc.)
- The current legislative session is scheduled to end 4/28, but may be extended up to 30 more days.
- An Immunization Bill, HB1638, passed. All students that have not received an MMR vaccination, AND have declared philosophical or Personal Belief for not vaccinating, will NOT be able to attend school in the fall. Medical and religious exemptions are still being accepted.

Old Business:

Superintendent Contract
Negotiation Team
Recommendation(s)

8.0

- 8.1 The wording was agreed upon by Ms. Sweet and the board negotiators.

Debbie Carter motioned to approve Heather Sweet's contract as presented, the motion was seconded by Scott Jones. M/C unanimous.

Discuss/Adopt District
Tag Line

- 8.2 Mr. Hilyard discussed the wording options with the board. The majority of the board agreed to the word "committed".

Duane Pegg motioned to approve the district tag line as corrected, the motion was seconded by Scott Jones. M/C unanimous.

New Business:

Bus Purchase (Porter)

9.0

- 9.1 Andy Porter presented the details regarding the new bus that he would like to order. It will be a replacement for the current 13 year-old ECEAP bus and the district would trade in the oldest small bus. (It is estimated to be worth \$6,000 as a trade in.) This is a new make of bus that is built differently than previous buses and will likely prevent leaks in the roof as they age. Mr. Porter says if we by one now, don't buy one next year then the district will be back on schedule to buy a new one every other year.

Debbie Carter motioned to approve of the bus purchase as outlined in the vehicle specification paperwork presented, the motion was seconded by Scott Jones. M/C unanimous.

Review/Accept
Community Gym Roof
Bid

- 9.2 Steve Schmeling discussed the bid opening for the community gym roof project. The district only received one bid. After talking with the consultant and there were two potential areas of concern for the bids: (1) Summer schedule/deadline is too full for contractors and (2) The apprenticeship program part of the bid process is a challenge to meet for contractors. Board member Scott Jones disagreed and indicated that the apprenticeship program is not a challenge for contractors to implement. Mr. Schmeling recommended that we reopen the bid and push back the project to October 1st.

No motion was made.

Athletics Surplus Items
(Football Gear & Starter
Gun)

- 9.3 Mr. Hilyard discussed the items up for surplus as they are not safe for other parties to use.

Hillary Bearden motioned to approve the surplus of the items as listed, the motion was seconded by Duane Pegg. M/C unanimous.

Resolution #488-2019 –
ASB Working Fund
Increase

9.4 Mr. Hilyard explained the reason for increasing the working fund.

Hillary Bearden motioned to approve Resolution #488-2019 ASB Working Fund Increase as presented, the motion was seconded by Scott Jones. M/C unanimous.

**Questions or
Comments:**

10.0 The district will reopen the roof bidding. Brian is still looking for a vendor to purchase the new phones. Locks have been modified at the elementary, the JH/HS will be next. Blinds for classroom windows are still needed and being reviewed by Steve. The district will be starting modifications to the concession stand and SpEd room in the JH/HS.

Executive Session:

11.0 None

Adjournment:

12.0 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm.

****After the meeting, the Board went into closed session to plan for collective bargaining and/or develop strategies****

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Miller, President

Kurt Hilyard, Board Secretary

Kristin Griffith, Board Clerk