Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Ocosta School District No. 172, Board of Directors, May 14, 2019, Community Portable #1.

Board Members:	Greg Miller, President; Scott Jones, Duane Pegg, Debbie Carter-Bowhay and Hillary Bearden.		
Administration:	Kurt Hilyard, Superintendent; Heather Sweet, Teaching and Learning/Special Services; Christopher 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 (SJ/HB) that the Board approve the minutes of the April 23, 2019 regular meeting as presented thereby ratifying all actions taken.	
		M/C, unanimous.	
Student Recognition	3.0	This month, four students were honored:  - MeKenna Fletcher (11 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Hulbert)  - Evalyn Marsh (11 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Hulbert)  - Madeline Sweeney (12 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Hulbert)  - Emma Tucker (12 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Hulbert)	

#### Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items

4.0 None

## **Consent Agenda:**

5.0 The board discussed 3241P and would like to have a second and third reading for this procedure after adding "vaping" to certain sections.

Resignations New Hire Board Policy Review -First Reading Board Policy Review -Second Reading

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- It was moved and seconded (DC/DP) that the consent agenda be approved, thereby approving
- items 5.1 5.4, which includes:
  - Resignation of Kim Bambauer as 21st Century Community Learning Center Director, Carol Minor as Paraeducator, and Alexandra Schultz as Paraeducator;
  - Hiring Taylor Walker as 3rd grade teacher;
  - First Reading of Policies and Procedures: 2165, 2165P, 2337, 3120P, 3200, 3205, 3240, 3240P, 3241, 3241P, 4260-F1, 5253, 5253P, 5281, 6020, 6100; and
  - Second Reading of Policy and Procedure: 2410P on May 14, 2019.

M/C, unanimous

#### **Finance Reports:** 6.0 None

### **Informational Reports:**

7.0 May Enrollment

7.1 May FTE count is 602.58. The district budgeted for 550 FTEs for 2018-19.

## Principals' Report

#### 7.2 Dr. Risher spoke about:

- 5 new students registered at the elementary this afternoon. All students' primary language is Spanish.
- The students are completing their second full week of state testing. The ELA portion was completed last week and math testing started today. Dr. Risher anticipates that the students should be finished by Wednesday of next week. The new schedule of only testing in the mornings for approximately 2.5hrs and then having a regular class schedule the remainder of the day seems to be working well for the students.
- Dr. Risher and Mr. Pollard have conducted 5 interviews for the music teacher position. There is one local candidate that stands out. Two other applicants are promising, but they live out of state so interviewing is a challenge. Dr. Risher plans on having a candidate recommendation at the next board meeting.
- The elementary is working on the end of year activities including Dance Festival and
- Dr. Risher has started planning for next school year. She's focusing on modifying the instructional programs and master schedule.

#### Mr. Pollard spoke about:

- The JH/HS has completed the main part of testing. 21 students missed testing sessions and will make them up before the end of the year.
- Baseball, fast pitch, and track are all playing in post season games/meets.
- True North Update: Program is running better. Plans are set to continue working with the students throughout the summer at the district office.
- Character Strong Update: A core group of staff members have been trained to initiate the program. Mr. Pollard feels the program will promote a positive climate change at the JH/HS.

- The teachers will be doing training tomorrow during the late start. The focus will be on department collaborations for next year. Mr. Pollard would like to see course work be streamlined to make sure the classes are uniform across teachers and programs.
- Four students are on a band trip today for a mass band competition.
- The JH/HS will be having 6<sup>th</sup> grade orientation on June 5<sup>th</sup>. The 8<sup>th</sup> graders will also have a 9<sup>th</sup> grade transition orientation on the same day.
- The JH/HS is accepting summer school applications.

# Director of Teaching and Learning Report

#### 7.3 Ms. Sweet spoke about:

- Ms. Sweet is looking at paraeducator hours and will be getting the notices of reasonable assurance out to classified staff by the end of the week. Paraeducator hours may be cut next school year depending on the Ocosta Lighthouse Project grant ending. The anticipated hours for each staff member will be included in the letters.
- Superintendent Transition Update: Ms. Sweet is shadowing Supt Hilyard to meetings and community events. She will be holding a meet and greet event next week. Ms. Sweet plans on sharing the Strategic Plan with the public.
- The Indian Ed grant public hearing will be held tomorrow night. This meeting is required to receive the grant money. (An estimated \$12,000.)
- The JH/HS teachers have been reviewing social studies curriculum with Ms. Sweet.
   She will be recommending the adoption of the new curriculum at the May 28<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Civics books will also be purchased.
- Graduation testing requirements have all been met by the seniors. (Including waivers for two students who have been accepted by a college as an alternative to passing state tests.)
- There has been some discussion about changing the day of the week that Ocosta holds graduation.
- Ms. Sweet will be applying for a Grays Harbor Foundation grant for approximately \$10,000. The grant application is due June 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Superintendent's Report

#### 7.4 Mr. Hilyard spoke about:

- Behavioral Health Service program is still working on completing intakes to provide counseling to for severely needy students.
- <u>Instructional</u> Paraeducators will now be required to have 14 hours of professional development in the 2019/20 school year to receive a Fundamental Course of Study (FCS) certificate (versus the proposed 28 hours) in addition to 14 hours in 2020/21. This, in addition to 70 additional hours of training, will allow them to receive a general certificate within three years of completing the FCS. The district will be responsible for paying their time while they complete the training. This training will have to be monitored throughout the year, including for new hires.
- Late start tomorrow instead of May 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- The spring WSSDA regional meeting was held on April 30<sup>th</sup> at Aberdeen High School.
   Debbie Carter-Bowhay, Heather Sweet, and Kurt Hilyard attended.
- Supt Hilyard recommended that the Board start thinking about the FTE budget amount for 2019/20. The board discussed being conservative with their estimate. Supt Hilyard stated that the 5 year enrollment average is 583 and the 3 year enrollment average is 587. He will come to the next board meeting with a recommended FTE.
- ESD wants to design the district's logo graphics for a \$500 fee to go with the strategic plan. The board does not want to pay for a logo at this time.
- Election paperwork is due this week. Hillary Bearden stated that all board members have signed up that are up for reelection. (Greg Miller, Debbie Carter-Bowhay, and Dr. Duane Pegg)
- The district had the audit exit meeting today. There was one minor issue that will be easily fixed for future audits. Supt Hilyard will provide a report to the board at the end of May meeting.
- The district has received 3 applicants for transportation director. Supt Hilyard recommended that the job stay open until filled.
- The district's cash balance is growing, but there are many expenses coming up that will have to be paid.
- Andy Porter would like to get another passenger vehicle that will hold 8. It would come
  out of the cash balance. The board approved of him to start looking for vehicles at or
  under a \$40,000 budget.
- Legislature budget info is still not available. May 28<sup>th</sup> will provide some more information.
- Cash balance issues with the County Treasurer still need to be addressed. Carrie Forrest will be going to the county treasurer with an ESD rep to sit down and work it out.
- Supt Hilyard briefly mentioned the SEBB program. He also mentioned that the district falls under the hold harmless clause and will get extra money each year for two years.

- Supt Hilyard has a lot of questions regarding the levy issue that have not been answered by government agencies.

Old Business: Review/Accept Community Gym Roof Bid **8.0** 8.1

Two bids came in by the May 2<sup>nd</sup> deadline, one bid arrived a week late and was not accepted. Supt Hilyard opened the late bid at the board meeting and it was higher than the bid he is proposing for acceptance. Supt Hilyard recommended that the board award the bid to Snyder's Roofing. Board member Scott Jones confirmed that they are a great company that works with unions and participates in an applicable apprenticeship program for their trade.

Motion made by Duane Pegg to approve the bid from Snyder's Roofing for \$302,500; the motion was seconded by Scott Jones.

M/C, unanimous.

**New Business:** 

9.0 None

Questions or Comments:

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Supt Hilyard briefly ran through a list of possible projects the school may need to complete in

the next couple years.

Executive Session: 11.0 None

**Adjournment:** 12.0 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm.

# \*\*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		