

# Oakridge School District #76

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# Oakridge Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes February 12, 2024 6:00 p.m.

## 1. Call Meeting to Order

Present: Director Pope, Vice-Chair Hardy, Director Samuelson, Director Curtis, and Director Wright. Director Pope called the Regular meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 6:00pm. Director Pope led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 2. Changes to the Agenda

No changes to the Agenda.

## 3. Announcements/Correspondence

Interim Superintendent McGrath read thank you letters to the Board and Staff from the family of Jerry Snyder for the care and work done in preparation for Mr. Snyder's "Celebration of Life" and from Lane ESD thanking all those who helped through the ice-storm weather event in January.

#### 4. Public Comment

Director Pope called for Public Comment. No Public Comment. Director Samuelson asked who our Professional Development provider is: ED Excellence has been our provider for the past three years.

#### 5. Action Items

**5.1 Superintendent's Position (Action)** – Board discussion on moving forward with Interim Superintendent Dave McGrath as Superintendent and working with him to review his contract, terms, and conditions. Dave has done a great job and is a good choice and fit for the position.

Chair Pope moves to review and work on contract to place Interim Superintendent Dave McGrath as Superintendent Director Samuelson seconds the Motion Motion passes with all Directors voting Yes.

#### 5.2 Consent Agenda (Action)

Vice Chair Hardy moves to approve the Consent Agenda Director Curtis seconds the Motion Motion passes with all Directors voting Yes. **5.3** Award/Approve CM/GC Contract to Hyland Construction (Action) – Work will include security doors with key-card access, OES gym floor and gates at OES, OJSHS breezeway, outdoor fields, and tennis courts. ESSER money will be used and has to be expended by September 2024.

Vice-Chair Hardy moves to award/approve contract to Hyland Construction Director Wright seconds the Motion Motion passes with all Directors voting Yes.

#### 5.4 Adopt 2024-2025 School Calendar (Action)

Vice-Chair Hardy moves to adopt the 2024-2025 School Calendar
Director Wright seconds the Motion
Motion passes with four Directors voting Yes and one Director voting No.

## 6. Information Reports

- **6.1 AimsWeb Report** Dr. Chad Harrison discussed State Assessments and student performance on foundational grade levels compared to same grade-level students, grades K-12 and what needs to be done to improve at the District; attack K-3 early on additional intensive instruction and small group-extra reading and math instruction.
- 6.2 Superintendent Report Thank you to Dr. Harrison for his presentation and work. Superintendent McGrath shared that in cooperation with the City of Oakridge we are on the Public Works list to get City lights fixed. He talked about Professional Development and why we use consultants (1) we can reach all teachers by utilizing training on curriculum days (2) We can tailor the instruction to our specific needs, and (3) by using the same consultants allows teachers to establish relationships with the trainers that they wouldn't have at a one-off training; and WHY don't we sent teachers to off-site training (1) we have difficulty finding subs for our absences, and (2)Lack of control over content. He then shared what Ed-Excellence can and had done for the District such as aligning curriculum at OES, mapping with Bridges at OES, behavior strategies, supports teachers one on one, they are available virtually, support principals, and help with curriculum adoptions. The District has completed the application process for Accreditation; A instruction materials plan has been filed for World Languages.
- **6.3 OES Report** Shout outs to the Aimsweb Testing Team, Renee Saxon, Vicki Bates, Amanda Martin, Tara Lane, Megan Leach, Kiera Porter, Jordan Wilson, and Cailey Jensen. Principal Maher shared pictures of Fan Night on January 6; Oakridge Basketball teams participated with OES students. OES 2<sup>nd</sup> graders are working hard at their Math skills using measurement methods. Pictures of the OES Bulletin Board were shared which included February hearts with positive messages written on them. Other things happening at OES are 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders attended a play at the high school put on by the drama class, Upper Willamette Youth basketball began for 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders, the Monster Cookie Dough fundraiser begins February 15, a move and hot cocoa activity! Appreciation goes out to volunteers who have come in to read with students!

6.4 OJSHS Report – Principal Kivett shared pictures and appreciation for Jerry Snyder's family and the coordination of community members and staff who helped with the Celebration of Life with over 300 visitors. He also talked about Semester 1 Finals and the excellent OJH Drama Production and which in turn revealed some necessary tech work in the Auditorium. Boys and Girls Wrestling are both having a great year and shared photos of the dual meet on February 2 and OJH Basketball has shown great improvement all season! A Graduate Portrait Task Force Committee has formed and met; Early Aimsweb data is encouraging, a Master Scheduling Conference held; all indicators of Progress. Principal Kivett also shared a photo of a CTE project Community Wood Storage units that were assembled in woodshop and the new plasma cutter will be in increasing and improving school branding. Upcoming Winter Sports Tournaments for Wrestling and Basketball are scheduled throughout February and into the first week of March. The theme for the month is "Growth".

#### 7. Unfinished Business

- 7.1 Policies (1<sup>st</sup> Read/Action) Policy DID will be revised and brought back for review and action at the March 11, 2024 Regular Board Meeting. Clarification on ARs was requested by Board Chair.
- **7.2 District Mission Statement Schedule Work Session** Work Session was scheduled for February 29, 2024 at 6:00pm

#### 8. New Business

**8.1 Discuss Open Budget Committee Position** – Business Manager Heather Harrison attended to discuss the Open Budget Committee position which has been posted to the website as well as Face Book. The Committee has one empty seat this year and three next year. The Board approved the Committee Meeting Calendar which had altered dates to meet the Board Meeting dates.

Director Samuelson moves to accept Budget Committee calendar
Director Wright seconds the Motion
Motion passes with all Directors voting Yes.

**8.2** Book Study Discussion –Board discussed Chapter 8 of "Engage Every Family' which covered Building Family Efficacy, Community and Parent Involvement. It would be a good idea to coordinate an Open House with Spring Conferences to show improvement to the school and present class projects. Possible date being April 22, 2024. Will review Chapter 9 at the next Regular Board Meeting

## 9. Next Meeting

Next Regular Board meeting will be held on April 8, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

#### 10. Executive Session

Adjourned Regular Meeting at 8:54 pm. Executive Session began at 8:55pm and adjourned at 9:10pm. Returned to Open Session at 9:10pm

# 11. Adjourn

Adjourned Regular Meeting at 9:10pm

APPROVED:

Board Chair

Superintendent