

**Spray School District #1  
September 11, 2023– Multi Room  
Regular Meeting 7:00PM**

**1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call:** The regular board meeting was opened at 7:01PM by Chair Jon Asher. Present – David Newton, Cy Miller, Matt Ingram, and Miles Steele. Also present was Robin Champagne, Mark Marcantonio, Dennis Starr, Baron Barnett, Joni Kabana, Cassandra Lee and Lindsay Clark.

**2.0 Introductory Items**

**2.1 Adoption of the Agenda:** David Newton made a motion to accept the agenda, with a second from Matt Ingram. A vote was taken, passing unanimously.

**2.2 Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 10, 2023:** Cy Miller made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 14, 2023 with a second from David Newton. A vote was taken, passing unanimously.

**3.0 Presentations/Special Recognition:** None

**4.0 Communications:**

**4.1 Public Comment:** Jim McComber with KFSL radio and is joining us via Zoom. KSFL has been on the radio since about 2004. Ever since, KSFL has dreamt of uniting Wheeler County by having a transmitter in each town. This would allow them to announce school sports, events and weather. It will also allow for emergency broadcasting and even play a variety of music throughout the week. Jim mentioned a piece of remote equipment that can be purchased for students giving them the opportunity to run their own radio program. The pricing is roughly \$9,000 for installing a transmitter in Spray, \$1,000 per year for the internet licensing and another \$1,000 for the music licensing. Jim informed the board that there would be no cost to the school because of a grant the station has received to cover these costs. The opening window for this opportunity is the first week in November. KSFL has secured a location in Mitchell and is now looking for a space at the school allowing them access to our electricity and a hook up to our internet along with resetting the equipment in case of a power outage. Jim has opened the floor for questions. Mark Marcantonio has asked Jim if he has walked around campus to visualize a site to put the antenna. Jim has informed Mark it is up to the school but they have installed them on roofs. If the school isn't comfortable with that, they can install it on a pole next to the school. Its roughly 2 feet wide and 2 feet tall. Cy Miller has asked if there is a teacher that would be willing to take on a class for the radio program. Mark has said that the school has a few electives that would work for this and he is willing to take on a few students to help run the broadcasting. Mark believes Colin Neuburgers office would be the best place to store the equipment. Mark is concerned about the kids being prepped and ready before broadcasting. Robin Champagne has asked if everyone in Spray will be able to hear the broadcasting. Mark has followed that question up and has asked Jim how many watts will be transmitted. Jim informed everyone that it transmits about 1,000 watts, giving us about a 6-mile radius. Mark has asked about acoustic paneling; it will not be necessary. Mark is now asking for parameters for curriculum for teaching students. Jim has offered to put something together. Jim has asked for the board's approval to give the GPS coordinates to cover the licensing. **Jon Asher has made a motion to approve getting the GPS coordinates for the broadcasting system with a second from David Newton. A vote was taken, passing unanimously.**

Baron Burnett has presented the board with the opportunity to purchase his house for the school to use for teacher housing. He has given everyone inspection reports for 200 Main St. Baron is asking for \$225, 000 for the house and the apartment in the back. David has asked if the space in the back is livable. Baron has answered yes but has also mentioned there is no kitchen. Cy Miller and Matt Ingram have mentioned concern with the foundation. Miles Steele has an issue with the price of the house along with the size. He is worried it will limit the size of family that would be able to move in. Talk around the table is in agreeance that the district is in need of housing but doesn't think this house is the right fit. Cy has recommended adding the house as a study item for next month's meeting. Joni Kabana would like to donate a bench to the school from a guest chainsaw artist that visited town over the summer.

Cassandra Lee would like to try and get the kids involved in maybe doing some art and setting it up for a Makers Market that would be held in June, maybe do some fundraising. Miles recommended making bird houses to sell.

## 4.2 Board Communication: None

### 5.0 Reports

**5.1 Superintendent Reports:** Coalition of Oregon School Administrators is releasing information on the regular for boards to consider. The Seismic Grant is one example of that. Lou Lyon has discovered the outcome of this grant. There was an application sent to the State that was not granted. Lou has stated that this is not uncommon for small schools. Lou would like to try and reapply for this grant in the fall. Lou summarized more information from COSA to the board.

Lou has asked Mark to step in and go over the internet issue the district has been having. High School students are having issues with their Chrome Books connecting to the internet. Mark has done some research to see what other schools have been using and what they recommend to help solve our problem. Lindsay Clark has also mentioned that it is a constant problem in the elementary. Mark thinks the next step to take is to purchase new/more antennas to help distribute the Wi-Fi. Miles has asked if IT from NCESD would be the ones installing the equipment. Mark has informed Miles they would.

Lou has presented the board with a project for the playground that will be pursued by Arcadius St. Laurent and his students. Lou believes that Rosie Day had all the supplies needed but Matt Ingram has offered Arcadius what lumber he has if needed.

Lou would like permission to purchase new phones for the district with ESSER funds. She has been in contact with Noctel and has a quote of \$6,554.20. This includes installation but will require an electrician to run wires. Jon Asher made a **motion to approve the new phone system with a second from David Newton. A vote was taken, passing unanimously.**

Lou would like to present the board with another district housing opportunity. She has been in contact with Mike and Nina Burnham. They would like to offer the district the old clinic for \$135,000. This would be a single family home with two bedrooms a third room with no closet and 1.5 baths. It has been updated with new appliances, AC and furnace, along with nice floors. Lou would like to set up a time to take 2 members to visit the house.

### 5.2 Financial

**5.2.1 July Financial Report:** The board reviewed the August financial report. David Newton made a motion to accept the August financial report with a second from Miles Steele. A vote was taken, passing unanimously.

**5.3 Maintenance Report:** Robin Champagne updated the board on all the projects that are in process for the district. Robin has purchased a new dishwasher for the cafeteria along with updating our safety procedures. The high school is in need of two mini splits for the art and math room - they have been ordered.

**5.4 Transportation Report:** Colin Neuburger wasn't able to make it to the meeting but has left the board with a report.

- Devin Oil is the cheapest, we will be staying with them for now. Colin has been in contact with him and he will be better at communicating in the future.

- Colin is still looking for a replacement vehicle for the Yukon and will hopefully have more information at the next board meeting.

- We have 4 staff members that have recently been put through the type 20 training and should officially be certified by the end of next week. We also sent off 3 applications for the type 10 and they should also receive certification by the end of the week. All but 3 staff are now either type 10 or type 20 certified.

- Colin should know by the end of the month if we have received grant funding for the purchase of a big bus replacement.

**5.5 Sports Report:** Dennis Starr is looking for the board to approve the bi-laws for the sports co-op.

Jon Asher makes a motion to approve the bi-laws for the co-op with a second from David Newton. A vote was taken, passing unanimously.

### 6.0 Consent Items: None

**7.0 Action Items:**

**7.1 Policy Updates-** David Newton made a motion to approve Policies AC-AR, JFCF-AR, JGE, KL & KL-AR (1) with a second from Jon Asher. A vote was taken passing unanimously.

**7.2 McQuinn Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:** Kaela Steele asked the board if they would like to adjust the time required for full scholarship amount to previous students or start from June of 2023 forward when the change was made. The board agreed that they were okay with allowing previous student the full amount that have attended the school for 2-4 years.

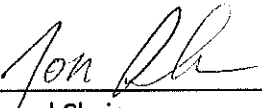
**8.0 Study Items**

**8.1 Policy Review –** GCBDF/GDBDF, GCBDF/GDBDF-AR, JFCEB-AR & GCAB

**9.0 Future Meetings/Calendar**

**9.1 Upcoming Board Meetings:** October 9th, 2023, 7PM

**10.0 Adjourn Regular Board Meeting:** The regular board meeting was adjourned at 8:28PM.

 10/9/23  
Board Chair Date

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Board Secretary Date