

Dufur School District
Board of Directors Meeting
October 2, 2023

Chairman Robert Wallace called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Board members present: Janna Hage via zoom, Stan Ashbrook, Anne Kelly, Tim Fain, and Audrey Anderson. Staff: Jack Henderson, Virginia Albrecht, Tess Welk, Josie Turner, and Leona Egeland.

GUESTS & PUBLIC COMMENT - No public comment was heard.

CONSENT AGENDA - Items on the Consent Agenda:

- Board Minutes – September 11, 2023

Anne moved to approve the consent agenda. Stan seconded the motion that was carried unanimously.

REPORTS

ASB Report – Audrey stated homecoming is the week of October 16th and will include a Halloween Carnival. This year the homecoming court will include three senior princes and princesses, and one prince and princesses from the freshman, sophomore, and junior classes. The king and queen will be selected from only the three senior couples. The fall sports senior recognition night will be October 12th. The homecoming parade will be advertised so parents and the community may attend.

Ranger Tech – Leona reported Becky Boles attended the FFA Leadership Camp. Welding and construction students are starting hands on projects. Leona is developing the Farm to School and CTE curriculum for elementary specials and to introduce into the My Day Friday curriculum. Early Childhood students have started working with the Dufur Sprouts students. CTE health strand students are working on CPR certification. The BTI program will be back June 24th. She also stated she is working on an aviation certification program.

Financial Report – Josie stated Columbia Gorge ESD had \$100,000 carryover funds that can be used for non-personnel expense in the afterschool program. Funds will be used to purchase additional promethean boards and other upgrades not completed in the bond project. As of September 31st, General Fund incoming revenue was \$1,544,140, and expenditures \$1,507,899. The JWD fund balance is \$1,851,279.

Principals Report – Tess reported 349 students, down 6 from last month. Upcoming events include a K-5 STEM assembly, dental screenings Oct. 10-11th, a blood drive Oct. 23rd, and staff in-service Oct. 27th. Bark chips were added this week to the playground area.

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Superintendent/AD Reports – Jack reported we are still waiting for supplies to complete cooling grant work in the lobby area. Award information on the RUS-DLT grant should be out next week. The Hersa Grant requested by One Community Health equipment in the Dufur SBHC did not come through. They are seeking other funding to cover the cost. The contractor walk-through for the SBHC was Sept. 28th. Five contractors are scheduled for the seismic work walk-through on Oct. 18th. Brian Knight will assist with reviewing proposals. A recommendation will be made to the board on Nov. 6th.

AD Report – Jack reported painting lines on the football field is done by a robot owned by District 21, for less money than paying school staff. The last football game will be Oct. 27th. The last season volleyball game is Oct. 14th, and the district tournament is Oct. 21st at Kurtz Gym.

OLD BUSINESS

OSBA Fall Regional – Jack stated the OSBA board is requesting representation from smaller districts. A legislative update included funding made available to schools through State School Fund HB 5015, Student Success Act HB 5029 & SB 5506, High School Success/M98 which Dufur benefits from. In addition, multiple other legislative bills were discussed.

Policy BCBA – Board members heard the second reading of policy BCBA – Student Representative to the Board of Directors.

NEW BUSINESS

JWD Update – Jack reported the JWD Board of Trustees met September 21st. They reviewed how student scholarship grants are tracked, how financial obligations and reports are processed, and risk avoidance.

Board Member Stipends – HB 2753 was passed making board member stipends legal in Oregon. OSBA is advising not to do anything until the law is adjusted. Board members discussed their feelings concerning this issue and felt unanimously that they would not accept compensation but rather consider it community service.

Superintendent Goals – Jack shared his goals for the coming year in the areas of communications, operations, fiscal, professional development, curricular, community service, and transition planning. Stan moved to accept the goals. Tim seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

Policy Updates – Board members reviewed the following policies as their first reading. Policy BD/BDA Board Meetings, Policy BDC Executive Sessions, Policy EFA Local Wellness, Policy GCBDA/GDBDA Family Medical Leave, GCBDA/GDBDA-AR Family Leave Administrative Rules, GCPC/GDPC Retirement of Staff.

District Investment Funds – Board members discussed the investment of funds currently in the Local Government Investment Account. Umpqua Bank approached the district offering to pay .25% above what the LGIP is paying. District and Debt Service Funds have been securely invested in the LGIP for many years and are fully secured by the FDIC. Members requested additional information from other institutions for another meeting.

Division 22 Standards – Each year we are required to report to the community by November that the district is meeting Division 22 standards. Jack shared the report showing Dufur meets all ODE standards.

Board Chairman

Board Secretary