

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE OREGON SCHOOL  
DISTRICT HELD ON OCTOBER 23, 2023

The regular meeting of the School Board of the Oregon School District was called to order by Board President Krista Flanagan at 5:26 PM on October 23, 2023 in the OSD Innovation Center at the Oregon High School in the Village of Oregon, Dane County, Wisconsin. Upon roll call, the following Board members were present: Ms. Ahna Bizjak, Ms. Garrison, Dr. Mary Lokuta, Ms. Leslie Wright, Dr. Caleb Bush, Mr. Troy Pankratz and Ms. Krista Flanagan. Board member(s) absent: None. Administrators present: Dr. Leslie Bergstron, Mr. Andy Weiland, Ms. Jina Jonen, Dr. Candace Weidensee, Dr. Shannon Anderson, Mr. Jon Tanner, Ms. Erika Mundinger, Ms. Lindsay Engelhart, Ms. Anna Seidenstricker, Mr. Casey Knight, Ms. Lindsay Eimerman, Ms. Lisa Lucas, Ms. Kerri Modjeski, Ms. Michelle Minter, Ms. Dawn Goltz, Mr. Dan Hillgartner, Ms. Cyndi Olander, Mr. Jorge Avalos, Mr. Jim Pliner and Ms. Katie Heitz.

Proof in the form of a certificate by the Oregon Observer of communications and public notice given to the public and the Oregon Observer, and a certificate of posting as required by Wis. Stat. sec. 19.84 as to the holding of this meeting was presented by Ms. Flanagan.

Ms. Garrison moved and Dr. Lokuta seconded the motion to proceed with the meeting as posted. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote 7-0.

A. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Discussion of School Board Learning Sessions for the 2023-2024 school year. Discussion was held.

Board moved from Committee of the Whole and returned to regular session in the Innovation Center at 6:30 PM.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Ms. Wright moved and Mr. Pankratz seconded the motion to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Approval of Minutes:
  - a. September 7, 2023 Work Session Minutes
  - b. October 9, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes
  - c. October 18, 2023 Work Session Minutes
2. Approve payments in the amount of \$886,837.05
3. Treasurer's Report: None
4. Staff Resignations/Retirements: None
5. Staffing Assignments: None
6. Field Trip Requests: None
7. Acceptance of Donations: None

In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes with Dr. Lokuta abstaining from the September 7, 2023 Work Session Minutes: Ms. Wright, Mr. Pankratz, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Garrison, and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 7-0.

B. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Public Comment: None
2. OEA Report: Mr. Nate Johnson spoke on behalf of the OEA.
3. Student Representative Report: Ms. Charlotte Swenson and Ms. Olivia Farris reported to the Board on a successful Homecoming week, Fall Sports at OHS and the Exchange Students.

C. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Approval of 2023-2024 Budget: Ms. Garrison moved and Dr. Lokuta seconded the motion to approve the 2023-2024 Original Budget as presented by Mr. Weiland. Discussion was held. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Garrison, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Mr. Pankratz, Ms. Wright and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 7-0.
2. Approval of 2023-2024 Tax Levy: Dr. Lokuta moved and Ms. Wright seconded the motion to approve a total tax levy of \$40,056,783. Discussion was held. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Wright, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Ms. Garrison, Mr. Pankratz and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 7-0.
3. Professional Sustainability Task Force Charter: Ms. Wright moved and Dr. Bush seconded the motion to approve the Professional Sustainability Task Force Charter as presented by Ms. Jonen. Discussion was held. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Wright, Dr. Bush, Ms. Bizjak, Ms. Garrison, Dr. Lokuta, Mr. Pankratz and Ms. Flangan. Motion passed 7-0.

Ms. Flanagan announced that Ms. Bizjak has accepted the role of co-chairing the Professional Sustainability Task Force with Ms. Jonen.

4. Acceptance of the Altria Settlement: Mr. Pankratz moved and Ms. Garrison seconded the motion to approve the acceptance of the Altria Settlement as presented by Ms. Jonen. Discussion was held. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Mr. Pankratz, Ms. Garrison, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Bush, Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Wright and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 7-0.

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Committee Reports
  - a. Policy - Ms. Garrison announced that the Policy Committee recently met to discuss the 2024-25 Calendar and proposed policy **723: Mental Health Services In School**. The Policy Committee will be meeting again before November 13th to bring recommendations forward to the Board.
  - b. Vision Steering - Nothing to report.

F. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Vision and Strategic Planning: Dr. Bergstrom stated that the Committee of the Whole that was held prior to the start of the Board Meeting gave the Board the opportunity to discuss the Visioning process and future topics that will be discussed.
2. Teaching and Learning Update: This update will be included in the 4K-6 Building Goal Work Session later this evening.
3. Superintendent's Report: Dr. Bergstrom offered congratulations to Shelby Deegen who was awarded the Rising Star Award by the WI School Counselor Association as well as Mark Diercks who was awarded as an Outstanding Cooperating Teacher Rockwell Awards Recipient by the UW-Madison School of Education. She then shared photos of students participating in the Great Apple Crunch during National School Lunch Week. Dr. Bergstrom also congratulated OMS Band Students who recently participated in the Mead Witter School of Music at UW Madison Single Reed Day as well as students that auditioned and were selected to be part of the 2024 Sun Prairie Honors Band for middle school students. She also congratulated OHS student Cheyenne Johnson who was recently selected as the Spotlight Youth Apprentice Student of the Month by the Dane County School Consortium and all of the fall student athletes that are wrapping up their fall seasons. Dr. Bergstrom shared photos of homecoming fun and the 25 German Exchange Program students who were able to participate in homecoming during their three-week stay here in Oregon.

G. CLOSING:

1. Future Agenda: Discussion was held.
2. Check Out: Board members had an opportunity to give updates.

H. WORK SESSION:

1. Presentation on 4K-6 Building Goals: 4K-6 administrators presented to the Board on their building goals for 2023-2024.

I. ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Garrison moved and Dr. Lokuta seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:34 PM.

Ahna Bizjak, Clerk  
Oregon School District