

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE OREGON SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD ON DECEMBER 11, 2023

The regular meeting of the School Board of the Oregon School District was called to order by Board President Krista Flanagan at 5:21 PM on December 11, 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. Heather Garrison, Dr. Mary Lokuta, Ms. Leslie Wright, Mr. Troy Pankratz and Ms. Krista Flanagan. Board member(s) absent: Dr. Caleb Bush. 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. Kerri Modjeski, 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. Wright moved and Ms. Garrison seconded the motion to proceed with the meeting as posted. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote 6-0.

The board moved into the Committee of the Whole at 5:23 PM.

A. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Discussion of future planning for Four-Year-Old Kindergarten. Discussion was held.

Board moved from the 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. November 13, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

2. Approve payments in the amount of \$2,004,107.05

3. Treasurer's Report: None

4. Staff Resignations/Retirements:

- Maria Katsaros-Molzahn - 1.0 FTE Gifted and Talented Teacher at BKE - retirement effective June 7, 2024 with 27 years of service to the OSD
- Sean Stokes - 1.0 FTE OHS Social Studies Teacher - retirement effective January 19, 2024 with 6.5 years of service to the OSD

5. Staffing Assignments: None

6. Field Trip Requests:

- OHS Boys Hockey to Hayward, WI January 5th and 6th, 2024

- OHS Music Department trip to New York City March 27 - March 30, 2025
- OHS Spanish Department trip to Spain April 1 - April 8, 2025

7. Acceptance of Donations:

- The Bruning Foundation in the amount of \$5000 for the OHS AVID Program;
- B.J. Wertz in the amount of \$25 for the 8th grade leaf raking event;
- Ronald and Lynda Graber in the amount of \$50 for the 8th grade leaf raking event;
- Darlene Witkowski in the amount of \$20 for the 8th grade leaf raking event;
- Peggy Fields in the amount of \$25 for Books for the Spark Program;
- Kerry and Sonja Henriksen in the amount of \$25 for the 8th grade leaf raking event;
- Matthew and Heather Young in the amount of \$25 for the 8th grade leaf raking event;
- Bob and Leitha Schenkenberg in the amount of \$100 for the Oregon Pool;
- Gregg and Michelle Lawry in the amount of \$25 for the 8th grade leaf raking event;
- Women of St John's Lutheran Church in the amount of \$500 to help students in need;
- Abbot Charitable Foundation in the amount of \$4000 for music keyboards, bass and misc as needed;
- Tyler and Amy Kattre in the amount of \$300 for gifts for FES families in need;
- Oregon Athletic Boosters in the amount of \$920.87 for TVs;
- Oregon Athletic Boosters in the amount of \$1025 for golf bags;
- Oregon Athletic Boosters in the amount of \$914.32 for the Girls Swim Team state bus;
- Ann Reisdorfer in the amount of \$25 for the 8th grade leaf raking event;
- Bell Bank in the amount of \$450 for the PVE Social Workers;
- Culvers of Oregon in the amount of \$708.01 for the Girls Basketball Team

8. Approval of School Safety Plans

Ms. Flanagan wished Mr. Stokes and Ms. Katsaros-Molzahn well in their upcoming retirements and thanked those that generously donated to the Oregon School District. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Wright, Mr. Pankratz, Ms. Bizjak, Ms. Garrison, Dr. Lokuta and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 6-0.

C. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Public Comment: Wisconsin State Representatives Jenna Jacobson and Clinton Anderson spoke to the Board
2. OEA Report: None
3. Student Representative Report: None

D. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Acceptance of Audit Report for 2022-23 and Fund Balance Report: Dr. Lokuta moved and Mr. Pankratz seconded the motion to accept the June 30th, 2023 Audited Financial Statements and Management Letter

as presented. Discussion was held. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Dr. Lokuta, Mr. Pankratz, Ms. Bjak, Ms. Garrison, Ms. Wright and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 6-0.

2. Cancellation of December 25, 2023 Board of Education Meeting: Dr. Lokuta moved and Ms. Wright seconded the motion to cancel the December 25, 2023 Board of Education Meeting as announced by Ms. Flanagan. In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Dr. Lokuta, Ms. Wright, Ms. Bizjak, Ms. Garrison, Mr. Pankratz and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 6-0.

E. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Committee Reports
 - a. Policy - Did not meet due to change to a Committee of the Whole.
 - b. Vision Steering - Did not meet due to change to a Committee of the Whole.
 - c. Committee of the Whole: The Board met prior to the regular Board meeting as a Committee of the Whole to discuss future planning for the Four-Year-Old Kindergarten Program.

F. INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Election Update: President Flanagan shared that there are 2 seats that will be on the ballot for the School Board Election on April 2nd, 2024. The seats include one from Area I - Village of Oregon which is currently held by Dr. Mary Lokuta and one from Area III - Town of Rutland, Town of Montrose, Town of Oregon, Town of Brooklyn, Town of Union and Ville of Brooklyn which is currently held by Mr. Troy Pankratz. Dr. Lokuta and Mr. Pankratz stated that they would be running for re-election. President Flanagan shared that the deadline for filing declarations of candidacy is Tuesday, January 2, 2024 at 5:00 PM.
2. Visioning and Strategic Planning - None
3. Teaching and Learning Update - DPI Report Card Update: Mr. Jon Tanner, Director of Learning and Student Achievement, and Ms. Darci Jarstad Krueger, Assistant Director of Learning and Student Achievement presented an update to the Board on the recently released DPI State Report Cards. The Board had the opportunity to ask questions.
4. Teaching and Learning Update - 100 Day Goal Cycle Report: Mr. Tanner and Ms. Jarstad Krueger reviewed the action steps from the first 100 day cycle and previewed the action steps for the next 100 day cycle. The Board had the opportunity to ask questions.
5. Superintendent's Report: Dr. Bergstrom offered congratulations to OHS Paraprofessional, Madisyn Estkowski who recently received the DKG Phi Scholarship. She shared a photo of the most recent participation in the Instructional Rounds at OHS - which included OHS staff members as well as partners from UW Madison, Edgewood College and principals from Verona, Mount Horeb and Sauk Prairie high schools. Dr. Bergstrom also shared photos of second graders at BKE earning the "Golden Tray" award for consistently following and going above the expectations of the Brooklyn B's; students at Prairie View using Bilingual Word Walls to learn the definition and Spanish translation of key vocabulary words; second graders at FES sharing their research books with kindergarten classes; second graders becoming

paleontologists through the new language arts curriculum at BKE; students exploring the use of 3D pens working with filament and design elements and sixth graders at FES taking an exploratory walk in the forest to create their own unique creatures with acorns. She offered congratulations to OHS musicians who performed in the Badger Conference Honor Band at Verona High School last month. Dr. Bergstrom also shared that the Performing Arts Center at OHS is very busy showcasing our musicians in a wide variety of concerts taking place from elementary through high school. And finally, Dr. Bergstrom shared photos from the SkillsUSA competition that was held at the high school which included over 300 students from 25 area schools showcasing their skills in a variety of categories such as prepared speech, job demonstration, photography, welding, automotive service technology, carpentry, technical drafting and robotics.

G. CLOSING:

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

President Flanagan announced that the Board would take a 5-minute recess before moving into closed/executive session. The board recessed at 8:06 PM.

Ms. Wright moved and Ms. Garrison seconded the motion to move into closed session, as posted and announced by Ms. Flanagan pursuant to Wis. Stats. §19.85(1)(c). In a roll call vote, the following members voted yes: Ms. Wright, Ms. Garrison, Ms. Bizjak, Dr. Lokuta, Mr. Pankratz and Ms. Flanagan. Motion passed 6-0. The board was in closed session at 8:15 PM.

H. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Discussion regarding the performance evaluation data of administrators pursuant to § Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c): Discussion Held.

I. ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Garrison moved and Dr. Lokuta seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:18 PM.

Ahna Bizjak, Clerk
Oregon School District