

OCUSD #220
BOARD MINUTES
January 17, 2017
Regular Board Meeting

1. Meeting called to order by Mr. Smith at 6:15 p.m.
2. Roll call, present were Smith, Wills, Griffin, Buck, Haugh and Wilken. Absent was Guzman.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Guzman arrived at 6:17 p.m.
5. Motion by Wills, second by Buck to go into closed session. All voted aye. Motion carried.
6. Closed session began at 6:18 p.m.
7. Closed session adjourned at 6:27 p.m.
8. Meeting called to order by Smith at 6:32 p.m.
9. Motion by Wills, second by Buck to approve the following resignations:
 - Lorrie Nesemeier as district bus driverRoll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.
10. Motion by Wills, second by Wilken to approve the following employments:
 - Laura Volkening as Oregon Elementary Teacher
 - Lyndsey McDonnell as Oregon Elementary CookRoll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
11. Smith read aloud the district's mission statement "educate students to be lifelong learners who are productive, responsible citizens."
12. Recognitions:
 - DLR recognized the Food for Thought Program initiated this school year. Advisor Mrs. Bothe and students made a brief presentation to the board. The program developed through surveys given to students in the fall. A morning food program was put into place due to statistics showing the importance of breakfast. Students requested donations which were received and distributed to the homerooms. Mrs. Harvey had a connection to General Mills and had the opportunity to shop at their annual discount sale. Following this initial purchase General Mills made a full donation of food supplies. Benefits from the program include students' focus and concentrate in class and teachers' have seen an increase in energy as well. The program hopes to increase the donations and the number of days per week that the snacks are available in the mornings. Smith stated that some of his customers in his business are tied to food production so he would see if any would be interested in making donations.
13. Presentations:
 - Mrs. Gipper and Mr. Boyer presented on behalf of the Jump Rope for Heart program. Mrs. Gipper thanked the board for the continual support. Mrs. Gipper stated the program is used as a community service opportunity. All funds raised go to the program. Last year the elementary school raised over \$14,000.00. This year the goal is to raise over \$15,000.00. Oregon Elementary was the top fundraiser in Ogle County and the top 5th school in the competing territory.

14. Public Comment – Diana Steinmetz thanked the school board for their assistance with a transportation employee situation.
15. Motion by Wills, second by Griffin to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Mahoney reviewed and handful of invoices as well as the current status of state revenues. Roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.
16. Motion by Buck, second by Guzman to approve the agreement for the installation of an ATM machine in Oregon High School. Roll call vote. All vote aye. Motion carried.
17. Motion by Guzman, second by Haugh to approve the IMRF resolution to include compensation paid under an internal revenue code section 125 plan. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
18. First reading of resolution to regulate expense reimbursements. This resolution would set a daily meal maximum reimbursement along with a total expense reimbursement for each trip. Board will present for second reading and approval in February.
19. Mahoney presented the ADA lift project for DLR. A chair lift will be installed this summer for upcoming student needs. It will access all floors of the junior high. Mahoney presented the bid timeline and informed the board it would be approximately \$100,000.00
20. Administrator Reports:
 - Nelson presented the OHS mid-year School Improvement Plan update. Goals are for students to understand the four stars; Academics, Service, Leadership and Athletics and become one of the premier small high schools. Goal one was to create a stronger sense of community in the high school. Surveys show students feel safe at school and have at least one teacher that they feel knows them well. New clubs have also been formed for students. OHS made a change in Power Hour to provide students more access to teachers and extra help with school work. Goal two was help student improve their Hawk profile base on the 4 stars mentioned in Goal 1. Larsen showed an example of the new Hawk Profile which gives the students an overall picture of their placement based on the 4 stars. Compared it to a Quarterback rating, giving an overall rating based on all aspects the student is involved in. Nelson provided a list of upcoming programs at OHS which include Social Entrepreneurial with Mr. Sitze, 4 year program of coding with Ms. Pattat, Welding Program upgrade with Mr. Nelson and Mr. Knuth, Freshman Bridge Program with Radostits and Yordy and the continuation of the Open Program with Sitze, Radostits and Davidson.
21. New Business: None
22. Old Business: None
23. Other matters before the board:
 - Mahoney updated the board on the welding project. He provided a tentative schedule which included the bid process and the construction timeline.
 - Mahoney reviewed the bus replacement schedule. He stated the district is at the point where we need to begin purchasing buses rather than leasing the majority. He hopes to have the outline from the vendor in February.
24. President's Prerogative: None

25. Motion by Wills, second by Buck to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.
26. Meeting ended at 7:18 p.m.

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