OCUSD #220 BOARD MINUTES

March 21, 2016

Regular Board Meeting

- 1. Meeting called to order by Mrs. Griffin at 5:31 p.m.
- 2. Roll call, present were Griffin, Haugh, Wilken, Buck and Wills. Absent were Smith and Obendorf.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Motion by Wills, second by Buck to go into closed session. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 5. Closed session began at 5:33 p.m.
- 6. Closed session adjourned at 6:15 p.m.
- 7. Meeting called to order by Griffin at 6:30 p.m.
- 8. Motion by Wills, second by Wilken to approve the expulsion of Student A staid placement in an alternative learning program. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 9. Motion by Wills, second by Buck to approve the following resignations:
 - Ann Tilton as Principal of Oregon Elementary
 - Mike Boyer as Assistant Principal of Oregon High School
 - Katherine Petrusa as Special Education Teacher for Oregon High School
 - Jesse Glim as Social Studies Teacher for Oregon High School

Roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried. Mr. Wills extended a thank you on behalf of the school board to Mrs. Tilton and Mr. Boyer for their years of service in the district.

- 10. Motion by Wills, second by Wilken to approve the following employments:
 - Jennifer Fox as Special Education Aide for Oregon Elementary

Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

- Griffin read aloud the resolution authorizing the honorable dismissal of non-tenured teacher, Lyn Hunter. Motion by Haugh, second by Wills to approve the resolution. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried
- 12. Griffin read aloud the resolution authorizing the voluntary reassignment of principal, Mike Boyer. Motion by Wills, second by Wilken to approve the resolution. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 13. Motion by Haugh, second by Buck to approve the OEA and OESPA Seniority Lists for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 14. Griffin read aloud the district mission statement "educate students to be to be lifelong learners who are productive, responsible citizens."
- 15. Recognitions:
 - Mr. Crandall recognized Mrs. Welty for her services at DLR. She goes the extra step to learn anything she can, including learning how to address technology issues to help keep service tickets down for the building. He also commended her for giving her time on Fridays to meet with students who need a little extra support in the building.
 - Mr. Hickerson recognized Ms. Robin Keene, Mrs. Amanda Callaway, and Ms. Natalie Husemann for administering the PARCC exam at Oregon Elementary. Not only did these staff members administer the initial testing cycle but they also took it upon themselves

to make sure students who were absent on the day of testing were brought in to take their make-up test.

- 16. Club Presentation:
 - Academic Bowl was presented by Jacob Ebens. The team currently has 11 members. A competing team is made up of five members. There are 24 toss up questions and three part bonus questions at each meet. Varsity placed 7th at conference and Junior Varsity placed 2nd. Paul Reckamp was all conference this year. Jacob Ebens then stumped the attendees at the meeting with a toss-up question and a three part bonus question.
- 17. Public comment Lyn Hunter stood to address the board and read the letter she had submitted earlier in the day. She spoke on behalf of the years that she had worked in the district, starting as an instructional aide. These years included starting a book exchange for students who didn't have funds to purchase new books. She gave an overview of her years as a teacher for the district noting her skills in the classroom and the academic success of her students. She asked for the board to consider their decision carefully and thoughtfully.

Ms. Murtaugh stood to speak on behalf of Mrs. Hunter and commend her teaching skills and personal skills with the students and the staff members of Oregon Elementary.

Mrs. Handschuh stood to speak on behalf of Mrs. Hunter. She asked the board "why aren't we showing non-tenured staff the same decency we used to? We need to get back to doing things the right way."

Robin Keene stood to speak on behalf Mrs. Hunter noting her hard work ethic and her support for the students at Oregon Elementary

- Motion by Wills, second by Wilken to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mahoney reviewed a few of the invoices that were paid for the month. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 19. Motion by Buck, second by Wills to approve the district's annual IHSA membership renewal. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 20. Motion by Wilken, second by Haugh to approve the early graduate request for Oregon High School. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 21. Motion by Wilken, second by Wills to approve the registration fees for 2016-2017 as presented. Mr. Mahoney noted these changes are due to the removal of course fees. With the retirements at the end of this school year, OHS will not have foods or business courses as these positions will not be replaced given the district's current financial status. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 22. Motion by Haugh, second by Wilken to approve the amended athletic code. The code will no longer have the language "attendance at events where these substances are being illegally used" under the definition of offenses. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 23. Administrator Reports Oregon High School presented to the board the newspaper articles that covered the Open Program and the success of the participating students in the Sauk Valley newspaper. DLR presented Mrs. O'Neil's real world class and the success of the program. Crandall also reviewed the upcoming service day that will have students helping at the NIU food bank as well as Feed Starving Children program. Oregon Elementary reviewed the upcoming summer reading program. Haugh asked how students are selected. Mrs. Vigil stated that the

students are selected based on services received during the year, such as Title I, and students who have a strong support at home to assist with the program during the summer. Mrs. Virgil also noted that she had two administrators approach her at an OCEC meeting regarding an opportunity to come a view our district's co-teaching program with special education students.

- 24. No new business before the board
- 25. No old business before the board
- 26. No other matters before the board
- 27. No President's Prerogative
- 28. Motion by Wills, second by Buck to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 29. Meeting ended at 7:10 p.m.

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