

**OCUSD #220**  
**BOARD MINUTES**  
November 20, 2017  
Regular Board Meeting

1. Meeting called to order by Dr. Wills at 6:02 p.m.
2. Roll call, present were Wills, Buck, Griffin, Haugh, Guzman, Zimmermann and Baker.
3. Motion by Haugh, second by Zimmermann to go into closed session. All voted aye. Motion carried.
4. Closed session began at 6:03 p.m.
5. Closed session adjourned at 6:30 p.m.
6. Meeting called to order by Wills at 6:33 p.m.
7. Motion by Guzman, second by Buck to approve the expulsion of Student A through school year 2018-2019 staid with completion of the Chana Challenge Program. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
8. Motion by Guzman, second by Baker to approve the following resignations:
  - Andrea Waldschmidt as special education aide for Oregon ElementaryRoll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.
9. Motion by Guzman, second by Haugh to approve the following leave of absence:
  - Susan Braden beginning approximately December 6, 2017 through January 17, 2018Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
10. Motion by Guzman, second by Buck to approve the following employments:
  - Tabitha Smith-Thomas as DLR Track Coach
  - Steve Stender as DLR Assistant Wrestling CoachRoll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
11. Dr. Wills read aloud the district mission statement “educate students to be to be lifelong learners who are productive, responsible citizens.”
12. Recognitions:
  - Mrs. Virgil recognized Ms. Taylor, Mrs. Costa and Mrs. Groharing for their work with organizational tool with Beyond Textbooks
  - Mr. Crandall recognized Leamanczyk and Cann for their work with Beyond Textbooks. Mrs. Leamanczyk fond and error between a test and an answer key. She also created a plan on teaching teams for students to learn how to create and teach a class. Cann focused on teaching students how to research when technology is not functioning properly or is down.
  - Mr. Nelson reviewed the work down with Beyond Textbooks by Ms. Radostits, Mrs. Adams and Mr. Sitze.
13. Presentations:
  - The Oregon Elementary Student Leadership club presented to the board. The club consists of 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students only. Mrs. Albrecht is the advisor and presents to classes each year with the guidelines to be a member. Students interested must complete an application. Meetings are every two weeks. Students brainstorm projects and vote on the next project. The presenter of the idea chosen is the project manager.

Members discuss how the project will help the community and put a plan into place. Currently club is helping hurricane victims. The club creates games for elementary students to participate in and have reading buddies for younger elementary students. The club helps set examples for other student in the district. The club allows students to help in the community, assist with learning leadership skills, and teachers students how to work in a team environment.

14. Motion by Zimmermann, second by Griffin to open to Truth in Taxation hearing. All voted aye. Motion carried.
15. Dr. Mahoney presented the history on local tax income since 2012. The district has seen a decrease in tax revenue since 2012. Due to this decrease in tax funds as well as a projected deficit budget, the district is asking for over 5% on the 2017 levy. District is asking for an increase in Tort due to the OES playground required replacement and the required ADA chairlift installation at DLR. Wills asked about what funds are at frozen rates on the levy and Dr. Mahoney informed the board that education, operations, transportation and working cash are frozen.
16. Motion by Haugh, second by Guzman to close the Truth in Taxation Hearing. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
17. Public Comment – None
18. Motion by Buck, second by Haugh to approve the tax levy as presented. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
19. Jorden Sacer, representative from district auditing firm WIPFLI, was in attendance to review the district's FY2017 audit. Reviewed the letter of governance with the board. The audit was filed with an extension this year due to financial software issues causing a delay in reporting. She stated activity account deposits needed to be made no less than a weekly basis. Financial reports were acceptable for ISBE guidelines. 2 findings on internal controls for the district; 1) overspent on budget in education, tort and debt services, 2) auditors completed AFR due to district not having financial officer which is a common finding for most district due to the cost of having an officer on staff. District received 3.9 out of 4 on financial recognition with the state.
20. Motion by Guzman, second by Zimmermann to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mahoney reviewed a few of the bills for the month of November. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
21. Motion by Haugh, second by Griffin to approve the 6 month review of board minutes. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
22. Motion by Guzman, second by Haugh to approve the 2018 membership agreement with Oregon Park District. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
23. Motion by Griffin, second by Haugh to approve the destruction of the following closed session minutes due to previously approved written minutes: July 2014 – June 2015. Destruction allowable per section 2:220 of the OCUSD School Board Policy which states "after 18 months have passed since being made, the audio recordings of a closed meeting are destroyed provided the Board approved: 1) its destruction, and 2) minutes of the particular closed meeting." Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
24. Administrator Reports

- Mr. Larsen presented on the Illinois School Report Card. IL Report Card website is hosted by Northern IL University. Larsen reviewed the district's academic progress review on the report card. 22% of OES students ready to move to the next grade level based on PARCC with 28% of OHS student proficient on the SAT. Both results fell below the state average. Larsen reviewed assessments given during student career as well as the ELA and Math results from PARCC by grade for the district. Larsen reviewed SAT comparison to other districts within Lee and Ogle counties. OHS was second to last in the comparison. We reviewed educating the whole child and the changes to come with it. Every Student Succeeds Act (replacing NCLB) will return much control of accountability back to the states. Larsen reviewed the 15 year timeline for the goals of ESSA. We will now see 75% academic indicators with 25% school quality. Student growth will be rated A-F, climate survey will be provided, 9<sup>th</sup> grade on track data will be reviewed as well as Fine Arts measure. Next step for the district includes new SIP goals, connect local data with external and focus on rigorous, aligned curriculum.

25. New business-None

26. Old business - None

27. Other matters before the board - none

28. President's Prerogative – Wills discussed the IL Association of School Boards convention over the weekend and the classes he attended. He stated one that stuck with him was regarding community involvement and he asked our district what we can do to focus on reaching our community.

29. Motion by Buck, second by Guzman to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.

30. Meeting ended at 7:50 p.m.

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