

OCUSD #220
BOARD MINUTES
October 16, 2023
Regular Board Meeting

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll call, present were Wills, Guzman, Griffin, Haugh, Baker, and Nesemeier. Buck was absent.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Motion by Haugh, second by Guzman to go into closed session.
Voice vote, 5-0. Motion carried.
5. Closed session began at 6:00 p.m.
6. Closed session adjourned at 6:23 p.m.
7. Haugh left prior to public meeting opening.
8. Meeting called to order by Wills at 6:30 p.m.
9. Public Comment: None
10. Motion by Guzman, second by Nesemeier to approve the following employment motions:
Resignations:
 - a. Jim Spratt as Golf Coach effective November 1, 2023Employments:
 - b. Kelli Groh as Assistant HS Bowling Coach
 - c. Noah Paul as Assistant HS Wrestling CoachRetirements:
 - d. Mindy Thomas as OJSHS Head Cook retiring at the end of the 2024 school yearLeave of Absence:
 - e. Yvonne Drake, 6-8 weeks beginning November/DecemberRoll call vote. 4-0. Motion carried.
11. Wills read aloud the district mission statement "Educate students to be to be lifelong learners who are productive, responsible citizens" followed by the school board members reading aloud the board affirmation "I am dedicated to our mission. I am passionate about our students' education. I am committed to the success of our kids, our staff, and our community. It's great to be an Oregon Hawk!"
12. Recognitions:
 - a. Principal Appreciation Month – Dr. Mahoney recognizes the principals stating that he is proud of the work they do and really appreciates the efforts and time they put into work with students, families, and staff.
 - b. Dr. Mahoney shares that the district received a donation from the Lawrence Foundation of \$50,000 towards the new playground behind the Etnyre wing of OES. He shares that the foundation is a tremendous organization, always generous to our students and we are lucky to have them in our community.
13. Motion by Baker, second by Nesemeier to approve the consent agenda as presented. Dr. Mahoney highlights some of the month's bills.
Roll call vote. 4-0. Motion carried.
14. Dr. Mahoney shares preliminary tax levy information. The county has established an estimated EAV with an 8.3% increase over last year. The anticipated levy shows \$750,000 new income in the district's operational funds. A truth in taxation hearing will also be needed as the increase is greater than 5%. Dr. Mahoney reminds the board that 2023 levy amounts will not be received until 2024-2025.

15. Motion by Nesemeier, second by Baker to approve the amended 2024-2025 School Year Calendar. Dr. Mahoney shares that there are a few adjustments to the days to create a full week off at Thanksgiving. This is part of an effort to unify calendars with other county districts in anticipation of possibly needing to share staff (especially in the 'hard to fill' areas of math and science) in the future.
Roll call vote. 3-1. Motion carried.
16. Motion by Guzman, second by Griffin to approve the recommendation to allow 5th grade students to participate on the district's middle school wrestling team.
Roll call vote. 4-0. Motion carried.
17. Motion by Nesemeier, second by Guzman to approve the FFA national Convention trip for Oct. 31-Nov. 4.
Roll call vote. 4-0. Motion carried.
18. Motion by Guzman, second by Griffin to approve three (3) Early Graduation requests. Dr. Mahoney states that he has read through and approves of the requests, he recommends the board approves them.
Roll call vote. 4-0. Motion carried.
19. Motion by Griffin, second by Baker to approve the agreement between OCUSD 220 and Rock River Center, Inc for use of facilities.
Roll call vote. 4-0. Motion carried.
20. Motion by Nesemeier, second by Guzman to approve the HLS Amendment for the HVAC/Building Automation System. Dr. Mahoney shares that the software that runs the geothermal system has not been working correctly, causing the system to show rooms at correct temperatures while the rooms are much hotter or colder than the system is reading. The district is anticipating needing to replace important components of the system to correct the issues.
Roll call vote. 4-0. Motion carried.
21. FOIA Requests – Informational Only:
 - a. Allium Data requesting a copy of the last renewal summary for all lines of insurance: property & casualty, workers comp, health, dental, and vision. Request received 10/10/2023. Response sent 10/12/2023.
22. Administrator Reports:
 - a. Dr. Deininger –
 - i. Shares that the first quarter has just ended and she is pleased with the number of students participating in activities (one of the four pillars), the band is participating in and succeeding in competitions, and many fine arts events will be happening between now and Christmas break. She encourages the board to attend musicals, concerts, and madrigals.
 - ii. The PSAT/ACT was given to 9, 10, and 11 grades as a preliminary baseline to guide instruction in preparation for the assessments in the Spring. Teachers are using the data received to plan instruction needs. The assessment (now electronic vs. paper/pencil) will be given in mid-April.

23. New business: None

24. Old business:

- a. The memorial table requested by the family of the trees that were cut down has been ordered and will have a plaque with the students' names placed on it once it arrives.
- b. Dr. Mahoney has created a policy to address memorials for any future needs and will present it for approval at the November board meeting.

25. Other matters before the board: None

26. President's Prerogative: None

27. Motion by Guzman, second by Nesemeier to adjourn.

All voted aye. Motion carried.

28. Meeting ended at 6:55 p.m.

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