

OCUSD #220
BOARD MINUTES
February 16, 2016
Regular Board Meeting

1. Meeting called to order by Mr. Smith at 5:30 p.m.
2. Roll call, present were Smith, Obendorf, Griffin, Haugh, Wilken and Buck. Absent was Wills.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Wills arrived at 5:31 p.m.
5. Motion by Buck, second by Griffin to go into closed session. All voted aye. Motion carried.
6. Closed session began at 5:32 p.m.
7. Closed session adjourned at 6:30 p.m.
8. Meeting called to order by Smith at 6:35 p.m.
9. Motion by Griffin, second by Wills to approve the expulsion of Student A staid placement in an alternative learning program. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
10. Motion by Griffin, second by Obendorf to approve the expulsion of Student B through the first semester of the 2017-2018 school year staid with placement in the Nachusa Program. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
11. Motion by Wills, second by Wilken to approve the following resignations:
 - Julie Hughes as special education aide for Oregon ElementaryRoll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.
12. Motion by Wills, second by Haugh to approve the following leave of absence:
 - Jennifer Wunsch extension of medical leave until February 17, 2016
 - Delaney Huels medical leave beginning approximately April 17, 2016Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
13. Motion by Wills, second by Griffin to approve the following employments:
 - Justin Carr as district help desk technicianRoll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
14. Smith read aloud the district mission statement "educate students to be to be lifelong learners who are productive, responsible citizens."
15. Recognitions – Mr. Nelson introduced the students and staff members of the Open Program that were present. Staff members include Mr. Sitze, Mr. Davidson, Ms. Radostits and Mr. Glim. The Open Program received and first and fourth place for their submission of videos on the battle against domestic violence. Their placements earned the group I-pads, kindle fires and \$1,000.00. The Open Program was also recently featured in the February edition of the Il Association of School Administrators monthly publication.
16. Club Presentation:
 - National Honor Society presented with students Zoe Nelson, Jacob Ebens, Allison Hunt and Kelsey Handschuh speaking. The group meets every other week before school. One of the big events hosted by NHS was the Pick up the Pace 5K fundraiser in which proceeds were donated to a local cancer survivor and family members. Other events for the year were assisting with family fun night to help raise funds for the prom, working concessions during basketball season, and creating a game center for children at Oregon

Elementary during the Relay for Life. NHS is currently hosting tutoring for students and will test out a new writing lab for students later this year.

- No Chess Club to present. Mr. Glim spoke on behalf stating they currently did not have enough members to register for competition but Mr. Glim still held meetings for those students interested in hopes that eventually there will be enough participants.
- OHS Yearbook presented. Student Valeria Viteri-Pflucker, who is also a participant of the Open Program, discussed how her Open Program project became part of the theme for this year's yearbook, "Year of Dreams." Valeria is currently a sophomore and has been part of yearbook for two years. Allison Hunt also spoke on behalf of the yearbook. She is a junior and this is her first year participating. Both students discussed the editing software used for the yearbook as provided by Waldsworth. Both students were also invited to a premier event in Iowa City to be hosted by Waldsworth.

17. Public comment – Linda Patterson, who is a current substitute teacher in Oregon, stood to commend the OESPA on their hard work within the district. She stated they are very helpful in the classroom when she subs as well as helpful throughout the buildings. She feels that their salaries should be increased for the work.
18. Motion by Griffin, second by Wilken to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mahoney reviewed a few of the invoices that were paid for the month along with the status of district expense and revenues. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
19. Second reading and approval of the amended Athletic Code will be tabled for approval until March 2016.
20. Motion by Wills, second by Haugh to approve the next three years of school attendance calendars to include 2016-2017, 2017-2018, and 2018-2019. Mr. Mahoney stated that the district would still be able to make amendments to future calendars if the needed. All voted aye. Motion carried.
21. Motion by Wilken, second by Griffin to approve the change in signers on Stillman Bank account 1015117. The district would remove William Mattingly and Joan Rasmussen as signers and add Thomas Mahoney and Alexis Cook as signers. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
22. Administrator Reports – Oregon High School discussed the freshman team which is comprised of freshman teachers who review freshman student progress. The freshman team, with the help of Mr. Larsen, has created a tri-fold information flyer that will provide each students current grades, weekly progress and plan of action to improve the student performance. These will be provided to the parents with an offer to meet with the teacher. DLR Junior High discussed second semester homeroom projects. Mr. Crandall discussed Mrs. O'Neil's shoe collection project which had a goal of 1,000 pairs and the collection is currently at 888. Mr. Crandall also updated the board on Eli Rufer's trip to Uganda being postponed due to current unrest in the area. Oregon Elementary discussed the PBIS program and how the shift has changed within the building with teachers taking charge of the program and pushing the students to succeed. Haugh asked Lawton if the waiver of the student entry fee to athletic events had increased attendance. Lawton stated they are hoping to begin collecting the data. Mrs. Mowry stood and spoke on behalf of the Boosters and stated that she has noticed an increase in attendance and appreciates the fee waiver as a parent.

23. No new business before the board
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25. No other matters before the board
26. President's Prerogative – Smith discussed that OEA staff members had presented budget cut options for the district. He also discussed the Houghton Mifflin Harcourt contract that is heading into the fourth year which includes professional development for rigorous curriculum. He discussed other countries connectivity and education of students in regards to technology and compared to our nation. Other countries are teaching code writing at a young age to help prepare children for the ever changing workforce. Smith believes that we too need to prepare our students for the ever changing workforce. He discussed the data team meetings that he and Haugh attended the week prior with staff members along with the follow up meeting with the HMM representatives. He feels the HMM program is a strong one that will help infuse ideas from the outside and align with what is being taught. He believes we need to prepare our students as best we can and the HMM program is moving this process in the right direction.
27. Motion by Griffin, second by Wills to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.
28. Meeting ended at 7:35 p.m.

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