OCUSD #220 BOARD MINUTES

December 18, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

- 1. Meeting called to order at 5:45 p.m.
- 2. Roll call, present were Wills, Guzman, Griffin, Haugh, Baker, Nesemeier, and Buck.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Motion by Buck, second by Guzman to go into closed session.
 - Voice vote, 6-0. Motion carried.
- 5. Closed session began at 5:45 p.m.
- 6. Closed session adjourned at 6:25 p.m.
- 7. Meeting called to order by Wills at 6:30 p.m.
- 8. Public Comment:
 - a. Aaron Mudge requests that the board vote 'no' to the 1% CWST Resolution. He also asks the board to review OMA guidelines, especially pertaining to committee meetings and contemporaneous communications.
- 9. Motion by Guzman, second by Nesemeier to approve the following employment motions: Resignations:
 - a. David Boyer as Assistant Varsity Football Coach
 - b. Christian Dailey as Custodian
 - c. Jim Spratt as Facilities Coordinator effective January 1, 2024

Employments:

- d. Kenneth Dilbeck as Buildings and Grounds effective January 2024
- e. Justin Carter as Custodian
- f. Alyssa Reichel as Custodian
- g. Jennifer Perrine as Custodian

Leave of Absence:

h. Olivia Kincaide effective immediately through April 1, 2024

Terminations:

- i. Sheila Calhoun as Administrative Assistant effective January 5, 2024
- Roll call vote, 6-0. Motion carried.
- Motion by Buck, second by Baker to expel student A through the 2024-2025 school year with the expulsion held in abeyance of successful completion of an alternative program.
 Roll call vote, 6-0. Motion carried.
- 11. Motion by Buck, second by Haugh to expel student B through the 2023-2024 school year with the expulsion held in abeyance pending successful completion of the administration's placement plan. Roll call vote, 5-1. Motion carried.
- 12. 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!"
- 13. Recognitions:
 - a. Dr. Mahoney recognizes Liz Ludwig, Co-Transportation Director, for her response time and efforts working with staff, students, and emergency personnel during a bus accident where a district bus was re-ended on November 28, 2023.
 - b. Liz introduces Bob McGhee, bus driver, and Nate Clow, aide, and thanks them for their dedication to the safety of the students at the scene of the accident.

- c. Bob recognizes Shelby Howlett, student on the bus, for her actions and representing the students of the district sharing that she was incredibly supportive of the other students on the bus and took the information that was already shared by the bus driver and aide and reiterated it to other students to help keep them calm. He stated that it was true embodiment of what it means to be an Oregon Hawk.
- d. Nate also recognizes Shelby for her actions and shares how impressed he was with her critical thinking in the moment of crisis and shared that her example of empathy towards the little students shows how crisis can bring out the best in us.
- e. Wills thanks everyone for their part in handling the situation.
- 14. Motion by Buck second by Haugh to approve the consent agenda as presented. Dr. Mahoney highlights some of the month's bills.
 - Roll call vote, 6-0. Motion carried.
- 15. Motion by Buck, second by Haugh to approve 1% CWST Resolution. Dr. Mahoney explains that the tax can be used to fund School Resource Officers, lower property taxes, and pay for other facility costs. He shares a graphic of counties that have passed this tax compared to those that have not. The board discusses thoughts on how the money can be used within our district to help lower property taxes in the future and Baker expresses the importance of the debt reduction capabilities.
 - a. Current districts that have already passed the resolution include Rochelle Elementary, Meridian, and Forreston.
 - b. Dr. Mahoney reminds the board that passing the resolution, puts the resolution on the ballot in March 2024 for the public to vote.
 - c. Wills reads aloud the resolution.

Roll call vote, 5-1. Motion carried.

- 16. Agenda item 12, Approve the Bus Aide MOU between OCUSD and OESPA, is tabled until the January 2024 meeting.
- 17. Motion by Guzman, second by Haugh to approve the OHS course offering for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote, 6-0.
- 18. Administrator Reports:
 - a. Mr. Huels
 - i. Shares that mid-year benchmarking has begun and will continue after the winter break with MAP testing. The building has created Wildly Important Goals (WIGs) measuring growth in ELA & Math from fall to winter and many discussions are happening across classrooms regarding the goals.
 - ii. The Leader in Me coach has recommended OES apply for Lighthouse Status and that process will be beginning soon.
 - b. Dr. Deininger
 - i. Shares that there are currently 9 service projects happening throughout OJSHS Hawk Huddles. These projects are organized and followed through by the students and it is exciting to see the students involved with helping others.
 - ii. Highlights the new course guide offering Educator Pathway. Shares that it will be a program that allows students to earn endorsements on their transcripts for college courses in the education field. Dr. Deininger and Miss Rad will be leading the classes, the

students will be able to graduate with up to 12 college credit hours if they take advantage of this course offering.

19. FOIA Requests – Information Only:

- a. Science of Reading Illinois requesting information regarding reading curricula currently used to teach reading in K − 3rd grades, including name(s), purchase date(s), and any plans to change curricula. Request received Nov. 16, 2023, response sent Nov. 22, 2023.
- b. Change the Air Foundation requesting the district's latest IAQ and Environmental Testing report. Request received Nov. 27, 2023, response sent Nov. 30, 2023.
- c. Dorene Albaugh requesting a copy of Dr. Mahoney's employment contract with OCUSD 220. Request received Nov. 28, 2023, response sent Nov. 28, 2023.
- d. Dorene Albaugh requesting information regarding attendance/representation of OCUSD 220 at the IASB 2023 conference weekend. Request received Nov. 28, 2023, response sent Nov. 29, 2023.
- e. Dorene Albaugh requesting information regarding School Board Committee meetings. Request received Nov. 28, 2023, response sent Nov. 28, 2023.
- f. John Albaugh requesting a copy of Dr. Caposey's upcoming employment contract with OCUSD 220. Request received Nov. 30, 2023, response sent Nov. 30, 2023.
- g. John Albaugh requesting an itemized list of expenses/spending from the 2023 IASB Conference weekend. Request received Nov. 30, 2023, response sent Nov. 30, 2023.
- h. SmartProcure requesting purchasing records from 8/31/2023 to current. Request received Dec. 11, 2023, response sent Dec. 11, 2023.
- 20. New business: None21. Old business: None
- 22. President's Prerogative: None
- 23. Motion by Nesemeier, second by Buck to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 24. Meeting ended at 7:16 p.m.

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