## OCUSD #220 BOARD MINUTES

## May 15, 2017

## **Regular Board Meeting**

- 1. Meeting called to order by Dr. Wills at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Roll call, present were Wills, Buck, Griffin, Haugh, Guzman, Zimmermann and Baker.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Motion by Guzman, second by Buck to go into closed session. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 5. Closed session began at 6:02 p.m.
- 6. Closed session adjourned at 6:20 p.m.
- 7. Meeting called to order by Wills at 6:30 p.m.
- 8. Motion by Griffin, second by Guzman to approve the following resignations:
  - Natalie Husemann as special education aide for Oregon Elementary
  - Karrie Ramirez as special education aide for Oregon Elementary
  - Ben Hickerson as assistant principal for Oregon Elementary
  - Cole Davidson as musical director for Oregon High School
  - Amysara Tomlinson as instructional aide for Oregon Elementary

Roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.

- 9. Motion by Griffin, second by Haugh to approve the following employments:
  - Farrell Tremble-Cain as OHS assistant girls' volleyball coach
  - Gabriel Poser as OHS science teacher
  - Karrie Ramirez as OES special education aide
  - Mike Boyer as OHS student council advisor
  - Katie Sheridan as OHS musical director
  - Yvonne Drake as OES preschool teacher
  - Olivia Phalen as OES first grade teacher

Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

- 10. Motion by Griffin, second by Buck to approval the following contract renewals:
  - Angela Burgett as administrative assistant for the district
  - Alexis Cook as administrative assistant for the district
  - Joan Rasmussen as administrative assistant for the district

Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

- 11. Dr. Wills presented the district's mission statement "educate students to be lifelong learners who are productive, responsible citizens."
- 12. Recognitions:
  - Andrew Nelson and Trina Dillon of the IL Principal Association presented Mr. Aaron Sitze with the Teacher Leader Award. Mr. Sitze background includes team building the Open Program at OHS, currently working to finish his Ph. D. and embarking on the Social Entrepreneurial Program for OHS beginning with the 2017-2018 school year
  - Dr. Wills recognized Stephanie Haugh for receiving the Counselor of the Year award for her work at Monroe Center Elementary.
- 13. Presentations:
  - Oregon Elementary student leaders Jackson Glendenning and William Schafer presented on their program project. Heifer International was their project for the year. This

program allows the purchase of animals for third world families to help provide a source of income. Glendenning and Schafer raised \$300.00 with their project by selling program pins at events held during the year at Oregon Elementary. With the funds the students were able to by a Llama and a flock which included geese and chickens. They also had enough funding to make a donation as well. Glendenning and Schafer provided each of the board members with the pins that had been created for the fundraiser.

- Mrs. Murtaugh and Mr. Larsen presented with students from Mrs. Murtaugh's class on the Rubik's cube. Mrs. Murtaugh stated that this program helped teach pride, patience, perseverance and teamwork amongst the students that participated. Dr. Mahoney and the board members were given Rubik's cubes to mix up for the students. The timer was set for the students to solve the cubes. All students were finished with the puzzles in three minutes. The students then reviewed the steps and algorithms used to solve the puzzles.
- Mr. Site's updated the board on the upcoming Social Entrepreneurship Program for OHS • in 2017-2018. He looked into existing programs such as CEO which is a private program costing \$40,000 and IncubatorEd which is canned program that can be purchased for \$20,000.00. Sitze decided to do his own research and studying on such programs and was able to create a curriculum for the program. The course would be a 90 minute block that would include English and Social Science credit. Mr. Sitze met with local business owners as well as professors of similar programs to create the curriculum. He wants students to ask other questions beyond "how do I start a business" looking past the now and looking at themselves and what they have to offer. The program will have students conducting interviews, pitching business ideas with feedback from the community, learning financial strategies, holding client meetings and creating and running social media for the business. The ultimate goal is to teach 21<sup>st</sup> century learner skills. First quarter will include the transition plan, five year vision and creation of professional profile. Second quarter will include design thinking, business model and the proposal of the micro-business. Third quarter will include website design and financial infrastructure. Fourth guarter will include business operation and marketing. Mr. Sitze would like to have business owners in the classroom during the year to help teach the topics to be covered.
- Public Comment Jennifer Youngren, Oregon Elementary Teacher, commended the OHS student council for their collaboration with OCEC students in providing the penny carnival. She stated the carnival was lead well by the student council.
- 15. Motion by Buck, second by Guzman to approve the consent agenda as presented. Dr. Mahoney Dr. Mahoney informed the board that all operation funds are within their budgeted expenditures through April. Dr. Mahoney also shared that the state owes the district \$610,000.00 for this year and does not expect to receive it this fiscal year. Roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried.
- 16. Stephanie Haugh was appointed as the IASB delegate for 2017-2018.
- 17. Motion by Guzman, second by Griffin to approve the school board meeting calendar for the 2017-2018 school year. All voted aye. Motion carried.

- Motion by Buck, second by Haugh to approve the prevailing wage agreement for 2017-2018. Roll call vote. All vote aye. Motion carried.
- 19. Motion by Haugh, second by Guzman to approve the increase in lunch prices from \$2.50 to \$2.75 beginning with the 2017-2018 school year. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 20. Motion by Haugh, second by Buck to approve the use for DLR ground for the Let Freedom Ring firework display. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 21. Motion by Griffin, second by Haugh to approve the 6 month review of board minutes. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 22. Motion to approve student handbooks for the 2017-2018 school year. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 23. Administrator Reports:
  - Mr. Lawton presented to overview of the 2016-2017 activities for the district. Decline
    on overall participation in the last five years; however district also has a decline in
    student enrollment. Review of participation by seasonal sports. Three OHS students
    were involved in 10 activities during the school year. 61 students participated in three
    sports for the year. Nine students received the Ultimate Hawk Award for participating
    in three sports all four years of high school. Reviewed the ASSIST program for students
    who are receiving a D or F during the year. Over 1600 hours of community service with
    activities. Zero OHS and DLR positive random drug screenings for the year.
  - Dr. Mahoney presented the HMH efficacy report. The district is in a seven year contract with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt for curriculum resources as well as professional development. Studies show that a new innovation with show an initial dip in performance. Assessments for the district show similar or more growth in the AIMSweb and MAP testing. Due to feedback from certified staff about the RCD process an additional partner has been brought in to move the curriculum process forward. The partner is Beyond Textbooks of Vail, AZ, additionally the district will be adding some new science and social science textbooks over the next two years, and a grant funded instructional coach will be available with the 2017-2018 school year.
  - Nelson updated the board on the School within a School program. Crandall informed the board that 7<sup>th</sup> graders competed in the Kishwaukee math competition. DLR 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls' track took first in sectionals. 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls' track and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys' track took second place in sectionals. Potential of taking away the formal promotion ceremony to a smaller program held at DLR. Haugh stated her concern was the potential to moss a group of students who aren't normally recognized during the year. Virgil updated the board on the OES fine arts night. Also, the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual volunteer breakfast will be held May 16<sup>th</sup>. OES will be holding their Spring Fling for the staff at the Oregon Train Depot as an end of year celebration.
- 24. New Business:
  - Motion by Griffin, second by Haugh to approve the OHS Band field trip to Disney World in June. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 25. Old Business: None

- 26. Other matters before the board: None
- 27. President's Prerogative: Dr. Wills thanked Mr. Hickerson for his service as assistant principal in the district. He thanked the board for nominating him as president of the board. He also thanked all staff, students and families for a great school year coming to a close.
- 28. Motion by Guzman, second by Zimmermann to adjourn. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 29. Meeting ended at 8:00 p.m.

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