

Nyssa School District # 26
Monthly School Board Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2017

Board Members Present:

Dave Bunker
Bob Fehlman
Michael Hartley
Torie Ramirez

Board Members Absent:

Dennis Savage
Lucy Beck
Marlon Wilson

Others:

Enders family
Tuckness family
Flores-Elizondo family

Staff Members Present:

Jana Iverson, Superintendent
Ryan Hawkins, Director of Dist. Operations
Audrie Tracy, Admin. Assistant
Lindsay Malinowski, Business Manager
Matt Murray, Elementary Principal
Jon Wood, Elementary Vice Principal
Luke Cleaver, MS Principal
Hector Martinez, HS Vice Principal/AD
Malcom McRae, HS Principal
Janie Simpson, Inst. Assistant - MS

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dave Bunker at 7:00 p.m. in the boardroom of the Administration Building.

Adoption of Agenda - The agenda was declared adopted as presented.

Commendations

A) Students

Brody Tuckness is the Primary Student of the Month for the elementary. Brody is a first grade student in Mrs. Helliwell's classroom. He is the type of student you love to have in class. Brody is kind, caring, and willing to help other students without having to be asked. His thoughtfulness comes naturally with no expectation of anything for his actions. Brody follows the rules of safety, respectfulness and responsibility also. He is an attentive, hardworking and determined learner who strives to be successful and proud.

The elementary selection for Intermediate Student of the Month is Courtney Carlton. She is a student in Mrs. Ayarza's fifth grade classroom. Courtney is a natural leader, friend to everyone and a great role model for others. She takes responsibility as a leader and academically. Her work is done diligently and to the best of her ability. Courtney brightens up a room with her big smile and fun giggle. She is a pleasure to have in class.

Middle School Student of the Month is eighth grader Karissa Medina Villalba. Karissa can be seen racing up and down the halls at the middle school in her wheel chair and you can tell her love for speed by the smile on her face. She is fun, full of life and positive energy! Karissa never complains or lets her health interfere with her school work. She participates in class, enjoys reading her papers in class and sharing her views with others. Karissa works very hard to

keep up in her classes even when she's gone for long periods of time. She has a love for learning, school, friends and teachers. We are blessed to know Karissa, she is greatly missed at school. Thank you for setting a good example for others and making the world brighter. We miss you!

B) Employee

Janice Simpson was selected for Employee of the Month, she is an instructional assistant at the middle school. Janice is a rock star! Her job is hard and she works hard but makes it look easy. Janice never fails to offer compassion and patience even when assigned to some of the most difficult tasks. She has a wonderful heart and the school would not be the same without her. Janice is very deserving of this award.

C) Parent

The middle school Parent of the Month is Nikki Enders. Nikki comes to the middle school willing to help in any way she can. She is always smiling and can always be counted on when needed. Nikki supports kids and families in and out of the classroom, she can be seen all over at different events and activities. Her thoughtfulness and positive spirit make the middle school a better place.

Visiting Patrons & Delegations

A) MS News

Mr. Cleaver gave a report on the many events/activities going on at the middle school. A penny drive, food drive, and toy drive that will benefit Help Them to Hope and Toys for Tots. Selling popcorn and fund raising for Karissa Medina Villalba's family. Battle of the Books with Mrs. Hernandez, librarian. MS football team lost 3, volleyball was 2nd in the league, cross country participation numbers low, wrestling just getting started, girls basketball will finish the first of December, boys basketball after the new year.

B) Beniton Construction

Bryce Parker with Beniton presented the monthly update on construction of the new middle school (copy on file).

- Curb & gutter - waiting on site guy
- Curb & gutter need to be in place before paving can be done
- Pushing roofer, slow due to weather
- Insulator on site today, sheet rock right behind them
- Wood gym floor has to set for approximately 10 days to acclimatize
- Would have preferred to be a bit further ahead but should still be okay

C) EL Data Presentation

Information on EL and State Report Card was presented by Mr. Hawkins. A copy of the presentation is on file at the district office. The presentation is being videotaped and will be on the district website also. Senate Bill 1645 requires we present the data. A letter addressing the following was given to board members, a copy will be available at every office in the district.

Our district out performs “like” districts in the state of similar size, demographics and other areas. There are some positives but also some areas of concerns, particularly at the elementary school. Our elementary has been rated in the bottom 5% in the state of Oregon. Results are due to a trend of our special populations not performing well and fewer students passing the SBAC from the previous year. This year we combined with the alternative school so graduation rates may go down. Mr. McRae and Mrs. Lazo are working hard to keep rates up. A plan has been put together at each building and at the district level to address this issue and are working to implement better practices to help our students succeed. Compounded to the district vision with focus on EL. Main focus will be in four areas; not performing, elementary below and decreasing levels, ELL, Hispanic population. We will have to improve or the state will come in. Our promise is to move scores in a positive direction. We are a good district where good things happen. Our mission is “A Community Committed to Student Success” and our plan is to be the best.

D) SB 1645 Requirement

Information presented above meets the requirement of SB 1645

E) Clyde Esplin - Swim team

Mr. Esplin was not present, his son Nathan was in attendance.

Discussion -

- Agreement drafted, for you and others to participate (copy on file)
- Criteria to meet for participation
- A final written agreement with Mr. McRae’s signature will be provided to Mr. Esplin and Nathan Esplin
- Paperwork for participation/competition has been submitted
- Board member Michael Hartley said he would buy Nathan’s swim suit (school colors - bulldog blue)

Consent Agenda

- A) Approve minutes of the October meeting as presented
- B) Review bills of the district
- C) Resignation: Parker Hill, Language Arts Teacher - High School
Marisela Yruegas, Instructional Assistant - Middle School
Barry Hartley, Boys Basketball, C-Team Coach - High School
Margaret Hiatt, Instructional Assistant - Middle School
- D) Hire: Aaron Mills, Boys Basketball, Head Coach - High School
Josh De Anda, Migrant Program Specialist - District
Jesus Hidalgo, Maintenance/Janitorial
Gerardo “Payo” Gonzalez, Assistant Maintenance Supervisor

Bob Fehlman made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Michael Hartley. Motion carried.

Old Business - None

New Business

A) Adopt High School Vice Principal/Athletic Director Job Description

Discussion -

- Essential Duties and Responsibilities as Vice Principal - change verbiage on Item #18

From: Assists in the principal in maintaining responsibility for the attendance, conduct and health of students

To: Assists the principal in maintaining responsibility for the attendance, conduct and health of student

Torie Ramirez made a motion to adopt the job description as amended. Seconded by Michael Hartley. Motion carried.

B) OSBA Election - Board action required, cast vote for the following:

- Legislative Policy Committee Position 1 - Nominee, Andrew Bryan, Baker 5J
- Resolution 1: Reorganizes the Oregon School Boards Association as a non-profit corporation and adopts the proposed 2017 bylaws

Audrie will submit an official ballot to OSBA prior to or no later than December 15, 2017.

Item deferred to the December board meeting.

C) Superintendent Evaluation

Evaluation form provided to board members to complete. Return forms to Audrie by December 6th, 2017 for board chairman to compile. Review with Superintendent at January 8, 2018 board meeting.

Financial Report

The monthly financial statements were presented by Lindsay Malinowski. Copies on file.

Michael Hartley made a motion to approve the financial statements as presented. Seconded by Bob Fehlman. Motion carried.

Board Study

A) Sports Complex, Ryan Hawkins

Discussion -

- Drawing on file - will send to coaches for other feedback, thoughts/ideas and input
- Parking - full during soccer games, other access planned
- ADA access
- Seeding is done, will hold off on sod until February
- Field should be ready for baseball

B) School Board Promise Scholarship

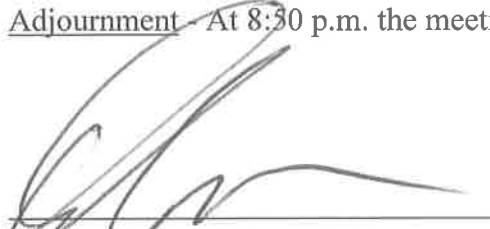
Discussion -

- Scholarship money returned by TVCC, student selected to receive the Scholarship didn't enroll fall term
- Student is planning to enroll winter or spring term
- Scholarship is good for one year.

Recommendation -

- Send check to TVCC when student returns, winter or spring term

Adjournment - At 8:30 p.m. the meeting adjourned.



Chairman



Clerk