

## SWEET HOME SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 55

Sweet Home, Oregon

Board Chairman Jason Redick called the **regular meeting** of the board of Directors of Sweet Home School District No. 55 to order at 6:30 p.m. on May 11, 2020. Virtual meeting as per ORS 192-670.

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### **Board Members in Attendance**

Debra Brown, Jason Redick, Joseph Kennedy, Angela Clegg, Chanz Keeney, Jenny Daniels, Mike Reynolds, Jim Gourley, Jason Van Eck Absent:

### **Staff Members in Attendance**

Superintendent: Tom Yahraes; Administrators: Luke Augsburger, Colleen Henry, Rachel Stucky, Thad Holub, Josh Darwood; Certified; Elizabeth Hunt, Classified: none Board Recording Secretary: Julie Emmert

### **Other Attendance**

Sean Morgan, representing *the New Era*

2. ESPY Winner for the year – Autumn Spellman from Foster Elementary was awarded an iPad.

### **3. Agenda Approval/Changes**

Chairman Redick called for changes and/or approval of the agenda.

***Motion No. 20-20: Board Member Mike Reynolds moved to approve the agenda as presented. Board Member Angela Clegg seconded the motion.*** Debra Brown- Aye, Jason Redick - Aye, Joseph Kennedy -Aye, Angela Clegg - Aye, Chanz Keeney - Aye, Jenny Daniels - Aye, Mike Reynolds - Aye, Jim Gourley Aye, Jason Van Eck - Aye ***The motion passed unanimously***

**4. Public Comments:** None

### **5. Student & Personnel Reports/Comments**

A. **Certified & Classified Representatives** – Elizabeth Hunt reported that things are going smoothly

#### **B. Superintendent's Report:**

1. Enrollment Update: Enrollment is up for the year compared to last year
2. Operations Under Corona Virus:

### ***Operations under COVID 19***

### **Review of Governor's (March 23) updated 20-20 Orders:**

#### **The Basics of orders still stand:**

- All schools statewide are closed to the end of the school year.
- Districts must provide distance learning for all students.
- Districts must provide nutritional services for students.
- Childcare must be provided for emergency personnel, first responders, and essential personnel. (We are partnering with the Boys and Girls Club to do this)
- Schools must facilitate telework and work-at-home for employees, to the maximum extent possible.
- When essential work is performed in buildings, employees must follow social distancing guidelines and health and safety protocols as put forth by the state.

## **Operational Implications:**

### **Personnel:**

- Principals and department heads are the designated social distance officers for each building.
- Teachers are working at home and use buildings for technology, resources, packet assembly.
- Facilities: re-clean building spaces if used, performing isolated jobs, prepping for next year
- Transportation: skeleton crew--performing isolated jobs, delivering food, and some packet work
- Food Service: Work crew is mixed with nutrition crew from other schools and classified support
- Office Operations: Most staff can perform office duties from home and some from the office
- Technology: Site work and working virtually from home
- Administrators: All working on virtual capacities with a lot of success (GoTo and ZOOM meetings)

**Food Service: Grab and Go:** We have three sites running: Foster, Holley, and the High School. Every grab and go bag has a breakfast and a lunch meal.

Grab n Go Meals

March:

4962 Breakfasts, 4962 Lunches

April:

10,424 Breakfasts, 10,424 Lunches

May to date:

3306 Breakfasts, 3306 Lunches

Total:

18,692 Breakfasts, 18,692 Lunches

**Chromebook Distribution to Students:** Department of Teaching and Learning, Colleen, and IT have been working with staff, families, and students to help them with technology needs. Our goal has been to meet folks where they are (their comfort levels and preferences regarding technology use).

Distribution number for Chrome books thus far:

- High School 50
- Junior High 90
- Foster 57
- Holley 40
- Hawthorne and Oak Heights are mainly issuing packets with some online work.

**Teaching and Learning Operational report on Distance Learning:** Rachel Stucky showed a video on Distant Learning and what it looks like in our district.

**Graduation:** June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> ceremonies that meet the guidelines. Several videos will be presented. June 5<sup>th</sup> there will be a parade with all students in cars. The board will be introduced and then release.

### **Preparing for Reopening Scenarios:**

At this point, we do not know exactly what re-opening will look like next year. ODE has not given guidance as of yet. Currently, ODE is wrestling with summer provisions for staff and potential summertime students. No information is available yet.

What we can do now is predict scenarios, understand the data, and understand where the science is at. With no possibility of a vaccine reportedly for 8 to 20 months, we know we will be dealing with COVID-19 operationally next year. Here is what we can do now:

- We do not want to squander time while we have all of our staff until the end of this school year.
- We can study what other countries and states are doing as they reopen.
- We can assume current social distancing practices and cleaning protocols and apply these concepts to next year.

### **What we are doing now:**

- We are assembling a teaching and learning taskforce to develop various teaching and learning scenarios (mixed distance and in-class learning under social distance/hygiene and cleaning protocols)
- We are identifying and ordering safety, cleaning, and protective materials and equipment in advance of what will predictably be an August buying frenzy. For instance masks, face shields, covid cleaning disinfectant sprayers, distance (skin surface) thermometers
- We are putting together teams to analyze all operational aspects of running schools under probable social distancing guidelines now so we can be prepared

### **6. Consent Agenda**

- A. Approved minutes from the April 13, 2020 School Board Meeting
- B. Approved hire of Amanda Sciscioli, .50 Holley Elementary Counselor/.25 Tag Coordinator for the 2020-2021 school year
- C. Approve retirement of Mary Cascio, 1<sup>st</sup>-grade teacher at Foster Elementary effective June 30, 2020
- D. Approved hire of Whitney Grizzle, Jr. High Math teacher for the 2020-2021 School Year

***Motion No. 20-21: Board Member Mike Reynolds, moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Board Member Jason Van Eck seconded the motion. . Debra Brown- Aye, Jason Redick - Aye, Joseph Kennedy -Aye, Angela Clegg - Aye, Chanz Keeney - Aye, Jenny Daniels - Aye, Mike Reynolds - Aye, Jim Gourley Aye, Jason Van Eck - Aye The motion passed unanimously.***

### **7. Information/Discussion**

- A. Budget Update/Safety Information/Bond and Seismic  
***Budget:*** Year to Date has increased from 2019  
***Safety:*** There were no recordable incidents in April.  
***Bond and Seismic:*** Current Bond Revenue is \$8,548,232. Jr. High expenditures to date equaled \$8,458,232 and Foster and Holley combined totaled \$3,607,196.
- B. Facilities Projects Report: Josh Darwood provided an update on the Jr. High construction and showed a video of the updates.

**8. Action Items:** No Action Items

**9. Board Comments -** none

**10. Late Items –** No late items

**11. Future Agenda Items**

A. Next Board Officers Meeting June 1, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. Superintendent's Office

B. Next Board Meeting June 8, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in DO Board Room

**12. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

**13. Executive Session –** ORS 192.660 (2) (d) – Negotiations

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*Signature, Board Chairman* Julie Emmert, Board Recording Secretary  
(This meeting was also recorded and saved supt/board/audio)