

## SWEET HOME SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 55

Sweet Home, Oregon

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Board Chairman Reynolds called the regular meeting of the board of Directors of Sweet Home School District No. 55 to order at 6:30 p.m. on June 12, 2017 in the District Office Conference Room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A Public Hearing on the proposed 2017-2018 Budget was opened at 6:30 p.m. There were no comments

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### Board Members in Attendance

Mike Reynolds, Jason Redick, Debra Brown, Angela Clegg, Carol Babcock, Jenny Daniels, Chanz Keeney, Mike Adams: Absent: Jason Van Eck

### Staff Members in Attendance

Superintendent: Tom Yahraes; Administrators: Kevin Strong, Luke Augsburg, Todd Barrett, Josh Dargis, Terry Augustadt, Colleen Henry, Andy Price, Ralph Brown, Steve Brown, Mark Looney, Jennifer Sedlock, Rachel Stucky, Josh Darwood, Cheryl Hicks, Lisa Gourley; Certified: Lisa Canaday; Classified: Toy Royer; Board Recording: Secretary Julie Emmert

### Other Attendance

Sean Morgan, representing *the New Era*, Jennifer Moody, representing *the Albany Democrat*

## 2. Agenda Approval/Changes

Chairman Reynolds called for changes and/or approval of the agenda

***Motion No. 17-34: Board Member Jason Redick moved to approve the agenda. Board Member Mike Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

## 3. Public Comments: None

## 4. Student & Personnel Reports/Comments

- A. **Sweet Home High School Student:** Madelyn Neuschwander shared that this is the last week of school and they are finishing up finals. Leadership class has been chosen and they are working on Homecoming.
- B. **Certified and Classified Representatives:** Lisa Canaday- Contract has been given to the licensed staff and they will vote on it Thursday.
- C. **Administrators:**
  - ◆ Rachel Stucky gave a report on board policy IGBC and IGBC-AR for the annual review. We are in good standing with our Title I program audit. There were no questions.
  - ◆ The High School Admin team gave a drug testing update. They presented a PowerPoint presentation ( in packet). Bottom line findings are: most are in favor of the policy (they did a sample survey of parents, students, and coaches). The administration is “all in” regarding the implementation of drug testing. I think we need additional years of implementation and data reflection to establish trends to know if our policy and implementation are making a significant impact. I believe the central question moving forward to the board is do we make a policy revision to permit random testing or do we continue with existing policy of testing “all” student athletes. Random testing would save us personnel time in administering and may prove just as effective. Also, allowing for random testing we could entertain having a company do our testing for us. The advantage of “outsourcing” testing is that the company inherits liability as well as any issues of bias. Later in the agenda under Information/Discussion, our Board Chair will lead us in a conversation regarding this topic and will allow time for questions.

D. **Superintendent's Report:**

Superintendent Yahraes praised the High School on a successful and well organized Graduation Ceremony.

Attendance Rate and Recognition: Hawthorne Elementary received the attendance award this month with an attendance average of 95.25%.

**5. Consent Agenda**

- A. Approved minutes from the May 8, 2017 School Board Meeting, May 18, 2017 Budget Meeting
- B. Accepted resignation of Kallie Boschman, 5<sup>th</sup> grade Teacher at Hawthorne effective June 30, 2017
- C. Accepted resignation of Mike Tuller, Metal Shop Teacher at Sweet Home High School effective June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- D. Approved resignation of Lisa Canaday, Math Teacher at the Jr. High effective June 30, 2017
- E. Approved hire of Linzy Griffin, Foster Elementary 6th grade teacher beginning August 28, 2017
- F. Approved hire of Megan Gonyea, Holley Elementary 4th grade teacher beginning August 28, 2017
- G. Approved hire of Sarah Peterson, Science teacher at the Jr. High beginning August 28, 2017
- H. Approved hire of Bailey Davenport, 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher at Oak Heights Elementary beginning August 28, 2017
- I. Approved hire of Kelley Deckard, Opportunity Room at Oak Heights Elementary beginning August 28, 2017
- J. Approved additional IDEA Part B Section 619 Supplement for 2016-17 Grant in the amount of \$3,288. These funds are to be used for instructional costs associated with kindergarten students receiving special education.
- K. Accepted \$5,000 donation from Lowe's to Foster Elementary for playground equipment
- L. Approved hire of Lisa Collins, Summer School Special Ed Teacher at Hawthorne Elementary, July - August, 2017.
- M. Approved hire of Madelyn McQuillian, 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Foster Elementary beginning August 28, 2017
- N. Accepted resignation of Mary Bond, Language Arts Teacher at the High School effective June 30, 2017
- O. Accepted resignation of Elizabeth Beckett, Special Ed Teacher, Holley Elementary effective June 30, 2017
- P. Accepted resignation of Brian Gold, Language Arts Teacher at Jr. High effective June 30, 2017
- Q. Accepted resignation of Amanda Willis, Language Arts Teacher at Jr. High effective June 30, 2017

***Motion No. 17-35: Board Member Chanz Keeney, moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Board Member Jenny Daniels seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

**6. Information/Discussion**

- A. Budget /Safety report –Business Manager Strong provided a budget and safety report at our meeting. Year to date – will be on the favorable side. Because the Charter School's enrollment was down this year we were able be above budget. Mr. Strong also reported on the legislative update.
  - i. We had two recordable incidents in May. A staff member caught her foot on a rope attached to a food cart and fell injuring her shoulder and hip. Another staff member stumbled and fell while walking across a paved school parking lot injuring her right knee cap, wrist and hand.
- B. Kevin Strong gave an update and provided a timeline for our approved bond. There is a checklist of things that need to be completed, these will be checked off when completed and then reported to the board. Foster School has had a total of \$37,000 donated and raised for their playground. He presented two options regarding resolutions which involve our budget and the bond. Option 1 is to adopt our budget as presented. Option 2 is to provide a motion to transfer \$65,000 from our general fund to the debt service fund. Option 2 helps pay down debt sooner, which most likely taxpayers would like.
- C. Mike Reynolds led a discussion to see whether the board should entertain revision language to the student athlete drug policy.

Carol Babcock- Outsource  
Jenny Daniels- Keep it the way it is for another year  
Chanz Keeney- Outsource would be nice but with the expense he thinks we should keep it in-house  
Angela Webb – Keep it the way it is  
Mike Reynolds – Randomize it  
Mike Adams – Randomize it or look to outsource  
Tom Yahraes- Wants to make sure tests are fair, using time wisely

Chairman Reynolds feels we should do some more research and get cost and numbers for the different options.

- D. Superintendent Yahraes reported the progress made so far with the Charter School Contact. There has been progress made in the area of language upgrades:
- i. Enrollment cap: The charter school desires a total enrollment cap of 280. The district initially proposed a cap 155. A lower cap allows us to access our funds to pay for our 5<sup>th</sup> day as well as prohibit large enrollment fluctuations. The charter schools current enrollment is around 135. Facilities have been an issue for the Charter School to grow. They would like to grow to their previous enrollment of over 200 students. The district is a shock absorber right now of student that come back to the district.
  - ii. Numbers per classroom: The charter school has proposed that the contract language say that the number of students per classroom be left to the discretion of the charter school. The district proposes maintaining the contract language which allows the charter school to have up to 25 students with a single class room target of 18 students. The board was unanimous on the keeping the cap of 25 students. When the Charter School started the main draw was to have small class sizes with an aid in every class.
  - iii. Contact length: The charter school has proposed a 10 year contract. The district has proposed a 5 year.

If we cannot reach an agree we go back to the old contract

## 7. Action Items

- A. Closed Public Hearing & Approve Resolution #03-1617 to adopt the 2017-2018 Budget, make appropriations and impose and categorize taxes (was closed at 7:00 p.m.)

***Motion No. 17-36: Board Member Jason Redick moved to approve resolution #03-1617 to adopt the 2017-2018 Budget with a transfer of 65,000 from general fund to Debt Service Fund. Board Member Debra Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

- B. Approve Resolution #04-1617 for Year End Budget Adjustments
- a. The above actions related to Kevin's report

***Motion No. 17-37: Board Member Jason Redick moved to approve resolution #04-1617 to make appropriate adjustments to 5,000 year end budget. Board Member Angela Clegg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

- C. Charter School – Extension: We have exceeded the 90 day limit to charter school negotiations. Our Board Chair will lead us through extending the negotiations which is allowed in the ORS.

***Motion No. 17-38: Board Member Chanz Keeney moved to approve an extension timeline to the Charter School Negotiation date. Board Member Jenny Daniels seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

**8. Board Comments** – Mike Reynolds gave appreciation of both Jenny Daniels and Mike Adams.

**9. Late Items** – No late items

**10.** Closed regular session at 8:14

**11. Executive Session** –Negotiations, ORS 192.660 (2) (i)

**13. Return to regular Session at 9:20 p.m.**

**14. Future Agenda Items**

Board Officers Meeting July 3, 2017 at 3:30 at DO

Next Board Meeting June 10, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in DO Board Room

**15. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

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*Signature, Board Chairman*

Julie Emmert, Board Recording Secretary

This meeting was also recorded and saved supt/board/audio