

## 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 October 11, 2021. This meeting was located at Sweet Home District Boardroom

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### Board Members in Attendance

Jason Redick, Mike Reynolds, (Zoom) Sara Hoffman, (Zoom) Jim Gourley, (Zoom) Jason Van Eck, Kevin Hill (Zoom) Janice Albert, (Zoom) Debra Brown: Absent:

Superintendent: Lisa Riggs; Administrators: Kevin Strong, (Zoom) Colleen Henry, Barbi Riggs, (Zoom) Thad Holub, (Zoom) Ralph Brown, (Zoom) Nate Tyler, (Zoom) Aaron Huff, (Zoom) Terry Martin, (Zoom) Mark Looney, Luke Augsburg, (Zoom) Debbie Phillips, (Zoom) Josh Dargis, (Zoom) Todd Barrett Certified: Steve Thorpe Classified: Velma Canfield (Zoom) Board Recording Secretary: Julie Emmert

A. **Other Attendance:** Benny, New Era, applicants for board positions; Jenna Norther-Becker, Dale Keene, ODOT – Tyger Tiner, Ryan Brown, Officer Geoff Hamlin

2. **Appoint New Board Member – Position #6 – Crawfordsville** - Dale Keene won the board seat after a vote. Oath was taken by Dale Keene and he was seated as a board member

### 3. ESPY AWARDS

Every month two students are selected from each school and presented with an ESPY Award at the Board Meeting. The award is presented to students who are doing well academically and have an exceptionally positive attitude about school. They demonstrate respect and responsibility towards staff and their peers. They show courage by not conforming to peer pressure and refuse to accept anyone who bullies. Selections for the month of October are: Foster School – Evan Knight, Roxanne Kalina; Hawthorne School – Kylee Crawford, Riley Allison; Holley School - Preston Pasley, Braelyn Walker; Oak Heights School – Elizabeth Pinks, Evelyn Meek; Charter School- Savannah Hooper; SH Jr. High School – Rally Graham, Alisyn Totman; and SH High School – Kayla Hasting, D’Artagnan Krommenhoek. Congratulations to all of this month’s ESPY Award winners!

### 4. Agenda Approval/Changes

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

***Motion No. 21-42: Board Member Mike Reynolds moved to approve the agenda as Presented. Board Member Dale Keene seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously***

### 5. Public Comments:

### 6. Student & Personnel Reports/Comments

A. Certified & Classified Representatives: Steve Thorpe- secured the MOU – thankful, protected both certified and classified. Finished homecoming – leadership did a great job. Everything was live streamed so that all could enjoy the ceremonies. Thanked Admin and teachers for stepping up but are very exhausted. Talked about PLC’s, Parent/Teacher conferences. Superintendent Riggs explained the PLC schedule. Velma Canfield, Classified Union representative – short on substitutes but have been managing

B. Superintendent’s Report:

1. Enrollment- working on our ADM that gets turned into the State. Smaller class sizes.
2. Shared what teachers are doing – in-person teaching and also helping those students who are quarantine are taken care of. We are also doing full time on-line learning for all grades.

3. Last Friday was an in-service day with Trillium- mental health.
4. Principal Appreciation Month- thank you to our admin who are caring for the staff and teachers.

## 7. Consent Agenda

- A. Approved minutes from the September 13, 2021 School Board Meeting
- B. Accepted donation from Diana and Gary Actor, Lenovo Horizon Computer
- C. Accepted transfer for Christie Chapman from the Jr. High School Life Skills to the High School Life Skills Classroom effective October 7, 2021
- D. Accepted resignation from Katelyn Duggan 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher at Holley Elementary effective immediately
- E. Accepted resignation from Patty O'Day, District Nurse effective December 31, 2021
- F. Accepted resignation from Brittanie Sorensen, Title 1 teacher at Oak Heights effective when position is filled or 60 days
- G. Approved hire of Alyson Ellis Temporary Life Skills Classroom Teacher Sweet Home Jr. High effective October 7, 2021
- H. Approved hire of Raimee Rivers, Temporary Special Ed at Hawthorne Elementary/Charter effective October 12, 2021

***Motion No. 21-43: Board Member Mike Reynolds, moved to approve the revised consent agenda as presented. Board Member Jim Gourley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

## 8. Information/Discussion

- A. ODOT – Putting in a side walk and would need a permanent easement on the District property. Approx. 10 feet or 11 feet including right away. Pedestrian safety from Foster to the Lake. In order to get around the trestle.
  - A. Budget Update, ESSER Report, Property Tax Information  
Budget – spent more – higher labor, water, property insurance premiums/ESSER update/Linn County recently published the 2021-2022 property tax rates.
  - B. Facility Report- Josh Darwood – still struggling to keep up but there is a lot of can do attitude. Tomorrow is the one year walk through with Gerding. Jr. High bleachers going in and then will work on High School Bleachers.
  - C. Division 22 Standard- Superintendent Riggs and Principal Augsburg gave a report. Guidelines that are tide to laws and board policies. 57 standards with multiple indictors per standard. In compliance 55 out of 57. 2220- Staffing trained in building with CPR certification 2510- Suicide Prevention Plan – written plan is what we are missing. Student Services is working on this plan. Reporting to State in November.
  - D. Work Session/Training Dates:
  - E. ODOT – Tyger Tiner, Ryan Brown MOVED Tyger from ODOT TO a.

## 9. Action Items:

- A. Appoint Don Hopkins to the Budget Committee, Position #5 At Large

***Motion No. 21-43: Board Member Jim Gourley, moved to appoint Don Hopkins to the Budget Committee, Position #5 At Large. Board Member Mike Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

- B. Approve ODOT Permanent Easement

***Motion No. 21-44: Board Member Mike Reynolds, moved to ODOT Permanent Easement in Foster. Board Member Dale Keene seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

C. Approve Division 22 Standards

***Motion No. 21-45: Board Member Mike Reynolds, moved to Division 22 Standards as presented. Board Member Jim Gourley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

**10. Board Comments:** Sara Hoffman – thank teachers and admin for all of their hard work. Jim Gourly – added the classified.


**11. Late Items** – No late items

**12. Future Agenda Items** *officers*

- A. Next Board Meeting November 1, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. Superintendent's Office
- B. Next Board Meeting November 8, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in DO Board Room

**13. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

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