

SWEET HOME SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 55

Sweet Home, Oregon

Board Chairman Mike Reynolds called the **regular meeting** of the board of Directors of Sweet Home School District No. 55 to order at 6:30 p.m. June 12, 2023

To view live board meeting please visit the Sweet Home District website: sweethome.k12.or.us and click YouTube link

The Board of Directors of the Sweet Home School District will hold a public hearing on the District's 2023-2024 Budget from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. During this time the Board shall receive comments from the public on the budget. If there are no comments, the Board will proceed with the regular School Board Meeting. The public hearing will close at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comments must be in writing before board meeting and sent to the Superintendent's Office

Board Members in Attendance

Mike Reynolds, Debra Brown, Mike Adams, Dale Keene, Jim Gourley, Kevin Hill, Jason Redick
Absent: Sara Hoffman

Staff Members in Attendance

Superintendent: Terry Martin; Administrators: Kevin Strong, Luke Augsburg, Josh Dargis, Barbi Riggs, Mark Looney, Ralph Brown, Darel Bidwell, Josh Darwood; Certified: Steve Thorpe; Classified: Michelle Bidwell, Lisa Gourley; Student Representative: None; Board Recording Secretary: Julie Emmert

Other Attendance: Benny Westcott, New Era, Parents, Steve Brown

1. Call the meeting to order/pledge

2. Agenda Approval/Changes

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

Motion No. 23-26: Board Member Jim Gourley moved to approve the agenda as presented. Board Member Debra Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comments: NONE

4. Student & Personnel Reports/Comments

A. Certified & Classified Representatives: Steve Thorpe thanked the board members for their service who will be leaving the board. Shared stories about graduation and the all night party. Left thanking the whole board for such a great working relationship.

1. Enrollment - We continue to run counter to our neighboring districts, enrollment is strong.
2. Attendance - For June our attendance CHAMPION is Holley Elementary, schools are working hard to be above 90% across the district
3. Strategic Plan Progress: We continue to tie everything we do to the 5 year strategic plan.

Pillar 1 - OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT. Teaching and Learning Director Barbi Riggs. Curriculum is up to date and in compliance with state regulations. Language Arts has been adopted, ordered, and is on site at our schools. Math has gone through the adoption process, and the goal is to have it in classrooms before teachers leave for the summer. Next year, along with supporting ELA and Math, we will be adopting Science, which will bring us up to date with our adoption cycle. ODE has been approved for all 6 initiatives

Pillar 2 - THRIVING CITIZEN: Todd Barrett shared regarding the positive events that have been happening at Oak Heights. Self Managers, Walking School bus, PTC Sponsored events, Character Program.

Pillar 3 - THRIVING COMMUNITY: Student Leadership- Superintendent Martin has met with leadership students from both the Junior High and also the High School for lunch in his office where we have been able to discuss from a student perspective what is happening at school and needs around the district.

Pillar 4 - SAFE AND WELCOMING FACILITIES AND SERVICE - Josh Darwood presented a video on what is coming up around the district for summer projects that maintenance will be tackling. Shared seismic opportunities for Oak Heights.

7:00 pm Closed public hearing for the budget

5. Consent Agenda

- A. Approved minutes from the May 8, 2023 school board meeting
- B. Accepted Resignation from Whitney Grizzle, Jr. High School Math Teacher effective June 16th, 2023
- C. Accepted Resignation from Tami White, Basic Life Skills Coordinator and Behavior Specialist effective June 16th, 2023
- D. Approved hire of Brooklyn Giles, Secondary School Counselor - Mental Health Support at the Jr. High and High School for the 2023-2024 School year
- E. Approved hire of Caytlin Gillespie, Language Arts Teacher at the High School for the 2023-2024 School year
- F. Approved hire of Samuel Mercado, Spanish Teacher at the High School for the 2023-2024 school year
- G. Approved transfer of Mark Looney, Jr. High Principal to Principal at Hawthorne Elementary effective August 1, 2023
- H. Approved transfer of Nate Tyler, Assistant Principal at the High School to Principal at the Jr. High School effective August 1, 2023
- I. Accepted Resignation from Elijah Heide, Band Teacher at the High School effective June 16, 2023
- J. Approved hire of Zech Brown, Forestry Instructor at the High School for the 2023-2024 School Year
- K. Approved hire of Bailey Bronson, Full time substitute teacher for the district for the 2023-2024 school year
- L. Approved hire of Courtney Daniels, 1st Grade Teacher at Oak Heights Elementary for the 2023-2024 school year
- M. Accepted Resignation from Jesse Fipps, 2nd grade teacher at Oak Heights effective June 16, 2023
- N. Approved transfer of Lori Tuter from Language Arts to Music Teacher at the High School for the 2023-2024 school year
- O. Approved hire of Jennifer McIntyre, English Teacher at the High School for the 2023-2024 school year

Motion No. 23-27: Board Member Jim Gourley moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Board Member Mike Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Information/Discussion

- A. Budget Update- Kevin Strong, Business Manager gave a budget update YTD spending
- B. Free Breakfast & Lunch Program Update- Kevin Strong, Business Manager gave an update on the grant that Sweet Home received that will give all students free breakfast and lunch for the next four years
- C. Aquatic Committee Update- Kevin Strong, Business Manager gave an update. There was a meeting right before this meeting. Maintaining an existing Levi for 5 years will be the recommendation from this group.
- D. OSBA Policy Review 1st Reading
 - AC-AR – Discrimination Complaint Procedure
 - EHB – Cybersecurity
 - EHB-AR – Cybersecurity

GCBDF/GDBDF – Paid Family Medical Leave Insurance
ICB – Religious and Cultural Holidays
IGBHD – Program Exemptions
JFCF-AR – Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Cyberbullying, or Teen Dating Violence Reporting Procedures
JGE – Expulsion
KL – Public Complaints
KL-AR(1) – Public Complaint Procedure

7. Action Items M. Reynolds Action
A. **Resolution #2-2223** Approve budget adjustment for the 2022-2023 School fiscal year; Transfer \$750,000 from the General Fund to the Long Term Maintenance Fund

Motion No. 23-28: Board Member Jim Gourley, moved to approve Resolution #2-2223 budget adjustment for the 2022-2023 school year as presented. Board Member Dale Keene seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- B. **Resolution #3-2223** Close Public Hearing & Approve to adopt the 2023-2024 Budget, make appropriations and impose and categorize taxes

Motion No. 23-29: Board Member Jim Gourley, moved to approve Resolution #3-2223 to adopt the 2023-2024 budget as proposed and adopted at the tax rate of 5.0057/\$1,000 GF and .3000/\$1,000 local option. Board Member Dale Keene seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. Approve the use of ESSER funds for renovation costs for Oak Heights Elementary School. Renovation costs outside the scope of the \$2.5 million seismic grant.

Motion No. 23-30: Board Member Dale Keene, moved to approve the use of ESSER funds for renovation costs for the Oak Heights Elementary updates. Board Member Mike Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- ~~D. Approve Contract with ZCS Engineering for the Oak Heights Seismic Project~~

8. Board Comments: NONE

9. Late Items: NONE

10. Future Agenda Items M. Reynolds ALL Information

- A. Next Board Meeting July 10, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in DO Boardroom
B. OSBA Summer Conference, August 11-13, 2023 at Salem Convention Center (please inform Julie Emmert if you are interested in attending)

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Signature, Board Chairman

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