

## 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 March 11, 2024.

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### **Board Members in Attendance**

Jason Redick, Mike Adams, Dale Keene, Mary Massey, Floyd Neuschwander, Jim Gourley, Jenna Northern: Absent: Amanda Carter, Sara Hoffman

### **Staff Members in Attendance**

Administrators: Kevin Strong, Barbi Riggs, Brian Brands, Josh Darwood, Josh Dargis, Mark Looney, Darrin Perry, Ralph Brown, Luke Augsburger; Certified: Steve Thorpe, Jennifer Ashcraft, AJ Bronson; Classified Darren Schultz; Board Recording Secretary: Julie Emmert

**Other Attendance:** Award Winners and parents and grandparents

### **1. Call the meeting to order/pledge**

### **2. ESPY/SPARK Awards - Announced the March award winners from each school**

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

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

***Motion No. 24-8: Board Member Jim Gourley moved to approve the agenda as presented. Board Member Jenna Northern seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously***

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

- A. Certified & Classified Representatives: Classified representative; NONE. Certified Rep- Steve Thorpe thanked the board for honoring the proposal of licensed bargaining.
- B. Student Report: High School Student, Addison Graber, Spring Sports have started and there are a lot of kids going out; 30 golf players this year. Spirit week is coming up soon so the leadership kids will be organizing special events and ways to give back to our Sweet Home community.
- C. Superintendent's Report:
  1. Enrollment/Attendance Award; Hawthorne is the attendance award winner this month. Our enrollment for this time of year is down, reason unknown.
  2. ELL Adoption Update - Jennifer Ashcraft and Barbi Riggs - Jennifer Ashcraft explained her duties and the goals for ELL students. Showed the breakdown of language/students/schools. Curriculum options: Vista-Get Ready series focuses on Newcomer ELL students, Cengage Leveled EL. We went with Reach, Impact, Perspectives. Imagine Learning K-2 Supplement curriculum. SHSD EL Family is a family night out hosted by the district.

Question: Does this curriculum teach them about our culture as well, and it does.

### **3. Strategic Plan Progress**

- A. Pillar 1 - OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT
- B. Pillar 2 - THRIVING CITIZEN
- C. Pillar 3 - THRIVING COMMUNITY- Mark Looney- Hawthorne Principal shared activities and events taking place at Hawthorne- Dr. Seuss, backpack program, Tuesday in house program (Trivia), Kindness drawing (Library), Hawthorne leadership/Jr. High leadership has been visiting and doing things at each other's schools. Gay Byers, author visits often to read with the student. Community building.
- D. Pillar 4 - SAFE AND WELCOMING FACILITIES AND SERVICE

## 5. Consent Agenda

- A. Approved minutes from the February 12, 2024 School Board Meeting
- B. Approved hire of Ofelia Damag, Special Education Teacher at the Jr. High School for the 2024 2025 school year
- C. Approved hire of Andres Requentina, Special Education Teacher at the High School, positions starts upon arrival
- D. Accepted resignation of Robbie Ellis, Math Teacher at the Jr. High effective March 22, 2024
- E. Approved resignation of Samantha Miller, 2nd grade teacher at Foster Elementary Effective August 23, 2024
- F. Approved out-of-state High School Josai trip to Tokyo Japan June 15-27, 2024
- G. Accepted resignation of Rebecca Raab, Science Teacher at the High School effective June 14, 2024

***Motion No. 24-9: Board Member Mike Adams moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Board Member Jim Gourley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

## 6. Information/Discussion

- A. Budget Update- Business Manager, Kevin Strong- 8 months through this year, YTD General fund spending compared to adopted budget & YTD Spending last year. Labor cost is the main reason for increase.
- B. Proposed 2024-2025 Calendar - Superintendent Martin explained the process that is taken to come up with the proposed Calendar.

## 7. Action Items:

- A. Approve the Proposed 2024-2025 School Calendar

***Motion No. 24-10: Board Member Mary Massey moved to approve the Proposed School Calendar as presented. Board Member Mike Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

- B. RESOLUTION #2324-2-Approve LBL ESD Local Service Plan for the 2024-2025 school year

***Motion No. 24-11: Board Member Mike Adams moved to approve the Local Service Plan as presented. Board Member Jenna Northern seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

- C. Approve ELL Curriculum Adoption

***Motion No. 24-12: Board Member Floyed Neuschwander moved to approve the ELL Curriculum Adoption as presented. Board Member Mary Massey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

- D. Approve Vendor for Swimming pool Resurfacing Project

***Motion No. 24-13: Board Member Mary Massey moved to approve PDX Pools of Sherwood for the Swimming Pool Resurfacing Project as presented. Board Member Floyd Neuschwander seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

- E. Approve Vendor for Swimming pool Filtration Project

***Motion No. 24-14: Board Member Mary Massey moved to approve vendor Strong Refuge Pool LLC of Wilsonville for the Swimming Pool Filtration Project as presented. Board Member Mike Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

**8. Public Comments: NONE**

**9. Board Comments:** Dale Keene - LBCC/Sweet Home High Drop in event next Thursday at 4:00 pm

**BREAK 7:54 pm**

**10. Executive Session 7:54 pm**

- A. ORS 192.660 (2) (a) - Contract Personnel Renewal Recommendations
- B. ORS 192.660-(2) (i) - Superintendent Evaluation
- C. ORS 192.660 (2) (d) - Licensed Bargaining
- D. ORS 192.660 (2) (b) - Legal Updates

**11. Returned to regular session at 9:07 pm**

**12. Action Items:**

**A. Approve Contract Personnel Renewal Recommendations**

***Motion No. 24-15: Board Member Jim Gourley moved to approve the Personnel recommendations as presented. Board Member Mike Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Mike Adams/Floyd Neuschwander Abstained from voting***

**13. Late Items – NONE**

**14. Future Agenda Items**

- A. Next Board Officers Meeting **MONDAY**, April 1, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. Superintendent's Office
- B. Next Board Meeting Monday, April 8, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in DO Boardroom
- C. First Budget Meeting Monday, May 13, 2024 at 5:00 in the Boardroom

**15. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

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*Signature, Board Chairman*

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