

## 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 September 9, 2024.

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### **Board Members in Attendance**

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

### **Staff Members in Attendance**

Superintendent: Terry Martin; Administrators/Supervisors: Barbi Riggs, Brian Brands, Kevin Strong, Josh Darwood, Darel Bidwell, Ralph Brown, Aaron Huff, Luke Augsburg, Todd Barrett, Mark Looney, Darren Perry; Certified: Steve Thorpe; Classified: Michelle Bidwell; Board Recording Secretary: Julie Emmert

**Other Attendance:** Skyler Chappell, New Era, Ken Bronson

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

### **2. Agenda Approval/Changes**

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

***Motion No. 24-48: Board Member Jim Gourley moved to approve the agenda as amended. Board Member Jenna Northern seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously***

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

- A. Certified & Classified Representatives: Velma Canfield; Steve Thorpe thanked the board for being a part of this school year. Reported on the open houses that took place at each school. Shared information on integrate math/science program
- STUDENT REP - Killan Boggs- Reported on the beginning of events. First football game was awesome even with the storm.
- B. Superintendent's Report:
1. Enrollment- Superintendent Martin reported on the beginning of the year enrollment. Kindergarten is low again this year, we will want to continue to watch that.
  2. Strategic Plan Progress
    - A. Pillar 1 - OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT- we will be doing the ESPY and Spark awards again this year starting next month
    - B. Pillar 2 - THRIVING CITIZEN - September has been proclaimed as regular school attendance month. Regular school attendance is crucial for students' success and sense of belonging, especially starting from pre-K. Chronic absenteeism disproportionately affects students of color and low-income students, worsening achievement gaps and long-term outcomes like dropout rates. Addressing this issue requires collaboration between schools, families, and communities.
    - C. Pillar 3 - THRIVING COMMUNITY - SHCF along with the New Era sponsoring new city council candidates at the HS Auditorium.
    - D. Pillar 4 - SAFE AND WELCOMING FACILITIES AND SERVICE- Board just finished a field trip to Oak Heights to see the progress. There will be an open house when it is completed.

#### 4. Consent Agenda

- A. Approved minutes from the August 12, 2024 School Board Meeting
- B. Approved Temporary hire of Bethanie Young, 5th Grade Teacher at the Oak Heights Elementary for the 2024-2025 school year
- C. Approved hire Temporary hire of Melissa Kruzel, 6th Grade Teacher at the Oak Heights Elementary for the 2024-2025 school year
- D. Accepted retirement of Mark Holden Science teacher at the Jr. High effective October 1, 2024 with the opportunity to work back for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year
- E. Approved hire of Alejandra Rua Rico, Spanish teacher at the High School effective immediately

***Motion No. 24-49: Board Member Mike Adams moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Board Member Jim Gourley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

#### 5. Information/Discussion

- A. Budget Update- Business Manager, Kevin Strong- Gave the updated budget report; reported on the annual Integrated programs that is an action item
- B. Announce Budget Committee Vacancies  
#1 Holley, #2 Liberty, #4 Cascadia, #6 Crawfordsville, #7 At Large, #8 At Large

#### 6. Action Items:

- A. Board Policies
  - AC – Nondiscrimination
  - BBF – Board Member Standards of Conduct
  - BBFC – Reporting of Suspected Abuse of a Child
  - CB – Superintendent
  - CBC – Superintendent’s Contract
  - CBG – Evaluation of the Superintendent
  - CCG – Evaluation of Administrators
  - DJC - Bidding Requirements (Versions 1 & 2), Delete
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  - DJC-AR – Exemptions from Competitive Bidding and Special Procurements, Delete
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  - DJCA – Personal Service Contracts, Delete
  - DJCA-AR – Personal Service Contracts, Delete

Pulled for revisit next month as a 1st reading

EBBA – First Aid, Delete

EBBA – Student Health Services

EBBA-AR – First Aid - Infection Control, Delete

EBBAA – Infection Control and Bloodborne Pathogens

EBBB – Injury or Illness Reports

EBC – Emergency Plan and First Aid

EBC/EBCA – Emergency Procedures and Disaster Plans, Delete

EBCA – Safety Threats

EBCB – Emergency Procedure Drills and Instruction

GBEB – Communicable Diseases in Schools

GBEB-AR – Communicable Diseases in Schools

GBN/JBA – Sexual Harassment

GBNAB/JHFE – Suspected Abuse of a Child Reporting Requirements

GBNAB/JHFE-AR(1) – Reporting of Suspected Abuse of a Child

GBNAB/JHFE-AR(2) – Abuse of a Child Investigations Conducted on District Premises

GCDA/GDDA – Criminal Records Checks and Fingerprinting

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GCDA/GDDA-AR – Criminal Records Checks and Fingerprinting, Delete  
IGBAF – Special Education – Individualized Education Program (IEP)  
IGBAF-AR – Special Education: Individualized Education Program (IEP)  
IGBAG – Special Education – Procedural Safeguards  
JBA/GBN – Sexual Harassment  
JBAA – Section 504 – Students  
JBAA-AR – Section 504 – Students  
JEA – Compulsory Attendance  
JEA-AR – Compulsory Attendance Notices  
JGA – Corporal Punishment  
JGAB – Use of Restraint or Seclusion  
JGAB-AR – Use of Restraint or Seclusion  
JH – Student Welfare  
JHC – Student Health Services and Requirements -Delete  
JHCA/JHCB – Immunization and School Sports Participation  
JHCC – Communicable Diseases - Students, Delete  
JHCC-AR – Communicable Diseases - Students, Delete  
JHCCA – Students - HIV, HBV and AIDS, Delete

REMOVED

JHCCF – Pediculosis (Head Lice), Delete

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JHCCF-AR – Pediculosis (Head Lice), Version 1

JHFE/GBNAB – Suspected Abuse of a Child Reporting Requirements

JHFE/GBNAB-AR(1) – Reporting of Suspected Abuse of a Child

KBA-AR – Public Records Request Nondiscrimination

***Motion No. 24-50: Board Member Jim Gourley moved to remove the head lice policies JHCCF and JHCCF-AR. Board Member Mary Massey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

***Motion No. 24-51: Board Member Jim Gourley moved to approve remaining board policies. Board Member Mike Adams seconded the motion.***

***Mike Adams withdrew the 2nd motion.***

***Motion No. 24-52: Board Member Mary Massey moved to remove policies below and revisit next month as a first reading:***

EBBA – First Aid, Delete

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EBBA-AR – First Aid - Infection Control, Delete

EBBAA – Infection Control and Bloodborne Pathogens

EBBB – Injury or Illness Reports

EBC – Emergency Plan and First Aid

EBC/EBCA – Emergency Procedures and Disaster Plans, Delete

EBCA – Safety Threats

EBCB – Emergency Procedure Drills and Instruction

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GBEB-AR – Communicable Diseases in Schools

***Board Member Floyd Neuschwander seconded the motion. The motion passed 6 yes and 1 no. Mike Adams-no, Jason Redick, Floyd Neuschwander, Jenna Northern, Amanda Carter, Mary Massey, Jim Gourley -yes***

***Motion No. 24-53: Board Member Jim Gourley moved to approve remaining board policies. Board Member Jenna Northern seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

B. Approve Integrated Programs Annual Report

***Motion No. 24-54: Board Member Jim Gourley moved to approve the Integrated Programs Annual Report as presented. Board Member Floyd Neuschwander seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.***

**7. Public Comment: None**

**8. Board Comments:** Jenna Northern asked about the follow up on the incident that happened over the summer. A follow email was sent earlier in the month.

**9. Late Items – NONE**

**10. Future Agenda Items**

- A. Next Board Officers Meeting, Thursday, October 3, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. Superintendent's Office
- B. Next Board Meeting October 14, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in DO Boardroom

**11. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

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*Signature, Board Chairman*

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