

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 November 18, 2024.

Board Members in Attendance

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

Staff Members in Attendance

Superintendent: Terry Martin; Administrators/Supervisors: Barbi Riggs, Brian Brands, Kevin Strong, Josh Darwood, Darel Bidwell, Ralph Brown, Luke Augsburger, Nate Tyler, Darren Perry; Certified: Steve Thorpe, Scott Jacobson, Julie Harvey; Classified: Michelle Bidwell; Board Recording Secretary: Julie Emmert

Other Attendance: Parents/Guardians of ESPY/SPARK award winners

1. Call the meeting to order/pledge

2. ESPY /SPARK Awards -Exceptional Student Performance this Year – This award is given 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. The School Board and the District want to recognize these students by celebrating their success at the beginning of each Board Meeting. Students received a Certificate, met each of our Board members and their names were announced on the web.

3. Agenda Approval/Changes

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

Motion No. 24-58: Board Member Jim Gourley moved to approve the agenda as amended. Board Member Dale Keene seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

4. Student & Personnel Reports/Comments

- A. Certified & Classified Representatives: Steve Thorpe reported on the winter happenings; Thanksgiving baskets. Shared thoughts on climate surveys in the district that were spoken at Octobers board meeting.
- B. STUDENT REP: Kellen Boss -Canned food drive, played ticket to hunger raised \$2,000. Gave a report on winter sports.
- C. Superintendent's Report:
 - Enrollment- Gave a report on enrollment - shared tracking for October, gave reasons for withdrawals; home school, moving out of town and 10 day drop were the three reasons. Attendance award for October was Jr. High at 91%. Reminded board that there will be a training on Thursday, November 21, 2024 and encouraged everyone to attend. Strategic Plan options and conversation on different ways the district can achieve this.
 1. Strategic Plan Progress
 - A. Pillar 1 - OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT- Barbi Riggs, Director of Teaching and Learning gave a report on the Health adoption released from ODE. The board will continue to be updated on the process. Mary Massey asked questions such as; do we have to purchase this curriculum or can we come up with our own. How many minutes do we need to teach per day/week.

- B. Pillar 2 - THRIVING CITIZEN- Scott Jacobson - Educator of the year. Linn County Ag Teacher- Farm Bureau awarded this to Scott.
- C. Pillar 3 - THRIVING COMMUNITY- Julie Harvey shared information about the elementary career fair that will be held at the Sweet Home Senior Center on November 20, 2024, 5:30 - 7:00. They will be serving free hot dogs and chips. This will teach students about career preparedness.
Hawthorne is also doing a Thanksgiving cereal and milk domino event.
- D. Pillar 4 - SAFE AND WELCOMING FACILITIES AND SERVICE - Entec coat donation that they donate each year to our district.

5. Consent Agenda

- A. Approved minutes from the October 14, 2024 School Board Meeting
- B. Approved out-of-state field trip for the Sweet Home Cheer Team who will be competing in the USA Nationals in Anaheim 1/23/25 - 1/27/25
- C. Approved OSAA Cooperative Sponsorship between Sweet Home and Central Linn to offer Cheerleading beginning in the 2024-25 school year

Motion No. 24-59: 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 gave a budget report on year to date general fund spending compared to adopted budget & year to date spending last year by object.
- B. Board Policies -Second Reading
 - EBBA – First Aid, Delete
 - EBBA – Student Health Services
 - 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

7. Action Items: None

8. Public Comment: None

- 9. **Board Comments:** Mary Massey - Shared that Sweet Home was good to her daughter, she graduated from Sweet Home this past June and will be going to school and returning to Sweet Home to teach someday.

10. Late Items – NONE

11. Future Agenda Items

- A. Thursday, November 21, 2024 Board Work Session; 5:00 pm in the boardroom
- B. Next Board Officers Meeting, Monday, December 2, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. Superintendent’s Office
- C. Next Board Meeting December 9, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in DO Boardroom

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Signature, Board Chairman

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