

CENTRAL CURRY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
AUGUST 25, 2021

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Pursuant to notices made to the Curry County Reporter and to members of the Board of Directors, the regular monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, August 25, 2021, at the Gold Beach High School library.

Board members present and comprising a quorum were Vice Board Chair Andy Wright, Scott McNair, Nancy Sorensen and Jeremy Skinner. Staff members present were Superintendent Eric Milburn, Riley Creek School Principal Maureen March, Gold Beach High School Principal Dana Newdall and Administrative Assistant Theresa Hendrix. Board Chair Kailey Clarno and Business Manager Kristal Carpenter were absent.

#1 CALLED REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by Vice Board Chair Andy Wright at 6:05 p.m. Vice Board Chair Andy Wright led the Pledge of Allegiance and read the Mission statement.

#2 CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Superintendent Eric Milburn stated the following to be added to #3 Approval of Consent Agenda #3.2 Mr. Joemar Martinez, Gold Beach High School Science teacher to be added to approval of hiring and #3.3 Request for Unpaid Leave from Mr. Mark Becker has requested to be granted four days of unpaid leave October 5th thru 8th. As per Article 20 of the Bargaining Agreement, the Board, on the recommendation of the principal and/or superintendent may grant leaves of absence. Ms. Newdall recommends the approval of his leave request.

#3 APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

#3.1, #3.2 and #3.3 Approval of minutes of May 6, 2021 and July 21, 20201 regular meeting, approval of licensed staff recommendations for hire, Hanna Jantzi, Reading Specialist at Riley Creek, Karlie Wright, High School Math teacher and Joemar Martinez, High School Science teacher and approval of Mr. Mark Becker's unpaid leave request.

MOTION WAS MADE by Nancy Sorensen, seconded by Scott McNair to accept the consent items, as amended. Board unanimously voted in favor. Motion passed.

#4 CITIZEN INPUT FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Holly Reynolds, 34093 Cedar Valley Road, Gold Beach, Oregon, expressed her concerns regarding students required to wear masks during school and would like to see local control return back to the school districts.

Ms. Jennifer Quesada, 29678 Park Terrace, Gold Beach, Oregon, thanked the school board for their service and effort. She plans to meet with Superintendent Milburn to answer her questions.

#5 DISTRICT REPORTS

#5.1 Financial Reports – Ms. Carpenter shared July's financial reports of Accounts Payable, Budget/Actuals report, and General Ledger Cash Balance to the Board through email.

#5.2 Administrative Reports:

Ms. Maureen March, Riley Creek School Principal, shared with the Board staffing for Riley Creek with Ms. Hanna Jantzi hired as the K-8th Reading Specialist and 4th grade will have two classes. Ms. March also shared new monitors for all the classrooms and staff in-service day will be August 30th.

Ms. Dana Newdall, Gold Beach High School Principal, shared with the Board the new hires for the high school Chris Higgins for the library and Mr. Joemar Martinez for high school science teacher. The academic schedules for the students is in the process of being finalized. Freshman orientation day in partnership with Ascend will be August 25th and new student day will be September 1st. The athletic schedules for the fall sports have fluctuated however the first home football game will be Friday, September 10th and Volleyball will be Monday, September 13th. The math classes for Pre-Calculus and Calculus will be partnered with Pacific High School through OIT.

Mr. Eric Milburn, Superintendent, shared with the Board the enrollment numbers for the first day of school, however, the numbers will be fluid as students withdraw and enroll. The South Coast ESD Grow Your Own program is a great opportunity to develop teachers locally. The South Coast Superintendents have worked collaboratively to prepare a letter to the public regarding mask mandates. Mr. Milburn shared he has reached out to the state legislature to encourage school districts to have local control returned. Mr. Milburn also shared he is very excited for beginning of school and having students back in the classrooms.

#6. OLD BUSINESS

#6.1 Ready Schools, Safe Learners Resiliency Framework 2021-2022

Superintendent Eric Milburn shared the updated information regarding Ready Schools, Safe Learners Resiliency Framework 2021-2022 from Oregon Dept. of Education and Oregon Health Authority as of August 17, 2021.

#7. NEW BUSINESS

#7.1 Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan

Superintendent Eric Milburn shared the Safe Return Plan for the school district. Mr. Milburn shared the requirements for students returning to in-person instruction with prioritizing students and staff health and well-being. Face coverings have been mandated by the state as of July 29th for all students, staff and visitors for schools' K thru 12th. Mr. Milburn shared there will be mask breaks for students and students will not wear masks during recess. The school district is required to uphold the mandates and can face penalties issued by the state if not followed.

#7.2 Proclamation declaring September as Suicide Prevention, Awareness and Action Month

Vice Board Chair Andy Wright read the Proclamation. Mr. Gordon Clay shared the statistics regarding suicide and the need for awareness.

MOTION WAS MADE by Vice Board Chair Andy Wright, seconded by Scott McNair to approve Proclamation declaring September as Suicide Prevention, Awareness and Action Month, as presented. Board unanimously voted in favor. Motion passed.

#7.3 English Language Learners State Report

Superintendent Eric Milburn shared the English Learners in Oregon annual report 2019-2020 provided to the Oregon Department of Education on June 2021.

#8 CITIZEN INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was no citizen input on agenda items.

#9 INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

#9.1 Nancy Sorensen shared she is excited for the new school year and staff;

Scott McNair shared he understood the frustration parents are experiencing and the constantly changing environment with COVID and the state mandates. The statement the parents made regarding the Board was not hearing them was not accurate;

Jeremy Skinner also shared he fully understood the frustration parents are experiencing with the changing mandates and the state issued guidelines. Mr. Milburn has been advocating for the school district at the state level; and

Vice Board Chair Andy Wright is excited for a regular school year with students attending school for a full day 5-days a week.

#10 KEY DATES/CALENDAR UPDATES

#10.1 First day of school – September 7, 2021

#10.2 Next regular board meeting for Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Gold Beach High School Library

#11 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Andy Wright
Vice Board Chair

Theresa Hendrix
Administrative Assistant