



**Regular Board Meeting
Sisters School District Office
November 1, 2023 at 6:00pm**

MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDEES

Board	Edie Jones, Asa Sarver, Jeff Smith, David Thorsett
Superintendent	Curt Scholl
Administrators	Tim Roth, Steve Stancliff, Joan Warburg
Supervisors	Sherry Joseph, Todd Pilch
Board Secretary	Amy Bionda

CALL TO ORDER / FLAG SALUTE

Call to Order **David Thorsett** called the Regular Board Meeting to order at **6:03pm**.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA / ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Jeff moved and Asa seconded that the Board adopt the 2023-11-01 Regular Board Meeting Agenda. Vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

None

GUEST PRESENTERS

SMS Leadership & Lifeskills

Jeff Schiedler & Berit Dart presented that at a recent field trip to Shevlin Park with a combination of the student leadership group and lifeskills group was a huge success. From SMS, 18 leadership students and 5 lifeskills students collaborated together with the goal of welcoming the lifeskill students and creating new connections. Due to the positive results, continued efforts will continue between the two student groups.

IEE Expedition

Rand Runco and two IEE Intern seniors from SHS presented an overview of the IEE program. IEE is in its 23rd year of providing unique experiences to approximately 50 juniors and eight to ten senior interns. Through the program, which combines English, science and physical education, students get a much deeper understanding of Central Oregon. The program includes class studies, six field studies, and two major expeditions where the students learn everything from art and fitness, to navigation, team building and leave no trace principles. The two students presented the incredibly enriching experience as senior interns, which has provided them with a whole new perspective on top of their previous experience as juniors.

BUSINESS / FINANCE REPORTS**Revenue / Expenditures**

Sherry Joseph shared the [2023-11-01 General Fund Report](#) and the [2023-11-01 General Fund Projected vs Actual Report](#). Sherry asked the Board if they had any questions. A few explications were requested concerning the report, to which Sherry explained that, as usual, revenues come in during the month of November and the numbers will rise.

ADMINISTRATIVE QUESTIONS

None

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**Enrollment Report**

Curt Scholl shared that there was a small increase in enrollment this past month, mainly at the high school. This can surely be attributed to Heart of Oregon enrollments.

Bond Update

Curt Scholl shared that the construction is still on-track. A tour of the school will be organized following the work session meeting in December.

Workforce Housing Update

Curt Scholl shared that good interest was expressed in the project at both the informative and follow-up meetings. High interest rates remain a concern.

C4C Belonging Presentation

Curt Scholl shared that the community gathering about belonging was a very successful event. At the event Curt presented the importance of having students feel like they belong, which in turns leads to more success in school. The sense of belonging is one of the main pillars at the Sisters School District.

Parks and Recreation

Curt Scholl shared that the Sisters School District is still working closely with Parks and Recreation to develop plans for the existing elementary school. One of the latest possible collaborations is partnering with a behavioral health provider, which could provide social-emotional support for Preschool Promise, amongst other services.

BOARD BUSINESS**Work Session**

David Thorsett and the Board decided to remove the November 15th work session.

Calendar Committee Rep.

Joe Hosang shared that the calendar committee will be meeting on November 8th to begin the process to determine the school calendar for next school year. The successful collaboration and efficiency of last year's committee, has led to the decision of maintaining the same team for the process this year.

Legislative Roadshow

Three Board members and Curt Scholl attended the event. **Curt Scholl** shared that the local event was informative and gave key insights about certain legislative issues and challenges that Oregon school districts face today.

CONSENT AGENDA**Meeting Minutes**

[2023-10-04 Regular Board Meeting Minutes](#)

Asa moved and Jeff seconded that the Board adopt the 2023-11-01 Consent Agenda. Vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Event	Time	Location
December 6, 2023	Regular Board Meeting	6:00pm	DO
December 13, 2023	Board Work Session + Tour of New Elementary School	6:00pm	DO

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn

David Thorsett called the Regular Board Meeting adjourned at **6:45pm**.

David Thorsett, Board Chairman

Amy Bionda, Board Secretary