



Regular Board Meeting / Budget Hearing
Sisters School District Office
June 5, 2024 at 6:00pm

MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDEES

Board	Jenica Cogdill , Edie Jones*, Asa Sarver, Jeff Smith, David Thorsett
Student Representative	Holly Davis
Superintendent	Curt Scholl
Administrators	Joe Hosang, Tim Roth, Steve Stancliff , Lorna Van Geem, Joan Warburg
Supervisors	Sherry Joseph, Todd Pilch, Ryan Stock
Board Secretary	Amy Bionda

* late arrival

CALL TO ORDER / FLAG SALUTE

Call to Order **David Thorsett** called the Regular Board Meeting to order at **6:01pm**.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA / ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Amendment Steve Stancliff is absent and will present the SHS end-of-the year report in August.

Jeff Smith moved and Asa Sarver seconded that the Board adopt the 2024-06-05 Regular Board Meeting / Budget Hearing Agenda with the above amendment. Vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed 3-0*.

PUBLIC HEARING

Call to Order **Dave Thorsett** declared the Public Hearing open at **6:02pm**.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Steve Swisher
69339 Ox Yoke
Sisters, OR 97759

Steve Swisher made some general comments about the budget committee process, including that this was the first time in many years that all budget members were present for the process, and that there were 91 questions asked and answered, showing that members were highly engaged. He made some recommendations to the board, including to think about future maintenance, recruiting and transportation issues.

Denis Dempsey
PO Box 1833
Sisters, OR 97759

Dennis Dempsey expressed his concerns about activity bussing and student safety. He made a few recommendations to the board concerning transportation and co-curricular drivers.

BUDGET ADOPTION

Resolution Sherry Joseph presented Resolution #23-24-03 to the board.

David Thorsett moved and Asa Sarver seconded that the Board approve the Resolution #23-24-03 to Adopt the Budget, Make Appropriations, Categorize and Levy Taxes Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

Adjourn Dave Thorsett declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:24pm.

BUSINESS / FINANCE REPORTS

Resolution Sherry Joseph presented Resolution #23-24-04 to the board.

Jeff Smith moved and Edie Jones seconded that the Board adopt Resolution #23-24-04 as presented. Vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

Revenue / Expenditures Sherry Joseph shared the 2024-06-05 General Fund Report and the 2024-06-05 General Fund Projected vs Actual Report. Sherry asked the Board if they had any questions. No questions were asked.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS / QUESTIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Middle School Tim Roth presented the SMS literacy data from iReady assessments, which showed a large improvement over the course of this year. Amongst other factors, he attributes the success to the implementation of high yield teaching strategies, as well as the integration of goal sheets and student-led conferences, where students take an active role in their academic achievement, goal-setting and character education. Tim concluded by mentioning the 8th Grade Promotion that will take place at Reed Stadium on June 13th at 5pm.

SMS Math Curriculum Adoption Jonathan Kelly and Joan Warburg presented the SMS Math Curriculum to be adopted: Big Ideas by Cengage. They described the selection process and then presented an overview of the curriculum that was selected and piloted. Some of the reasons for selecting this curriculum include the digital classroom tools, instant detailed feedback, skills focusing on domains rather than levels for added support, and it offers a comprehensive K-12 curriculum, versus just 6-8.

Edie Jones moved and Asa Sarver seconded that the Board adopt the SMS Math Curriculum for 6th grade - Algebra: Big Ideas by Cengage. Vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

Elementary School Joan Warburg presented the SMS literacy and math data from iReady assessments, which showed a tremendous improvement over the course of this year, particularly in literacy. Student goal-setting and student-led conferences has also been implemented in a few classes at SES, with an objective to incorporate these programs school-wide next year. She mentioned that for certain grades the math curriculum will be reviewed to help support students more appropriately.

Special Programs Lorna VanGeem shared a presentation about the district's collaboration with Oregon Adaptive Sports (OAS) that was given recently at the State Advisory Committee for Special Education (SACSE). In conjunction with OAS, our district has been providing skiing and snowboarding opportunities at Hoodoo Ski Area to special education students for 13 years. In that time span, 1900 mountain hours to 92 students has been registered. This has only been possible thanks to the amazing volunteers, OAS, SSD staff and funding from Unified Sports Grants from the Round House Foundation, Sisters School Foundation and Kiwanis Club.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

- Bond Update** **Curt Scholl** shared that the move in is planned for June 24th and keys will be delivered on July 15th. Any funds left over after construction will be put aside for use following an evaluation period. The Bond Oversight Committee recently visited the new Elementary School. Another visit for board members will be scheduled after the Organizational Board Meeting in July.
- Workforce Housing Update** **Curt Scholl** shared that a ribbon cutting ceremony for the first home will be held on July 19th.

BOARD BUSINESS

- Delete Policies & ARs** The board discussed the following policies and ARs to delete:
- DJCA** - Personal Services Contracts (*OSBA recommendation*)
 - DJCA-AR** - Personal Services Contracts (*OSBA recommendation*)
 - GBEBA** - Staff - HIV, AIDS, and HBV (*OSBA recommendation*)
 - GBLA** - Disclosure of Information (*OSBA recommendation*)
 - GCDA/GDDA-AR** - Criminal Records Checks / Fingerprinting (*OSBA recommendation*)
 - IGBBC** - Programs and Services - Talented and Gifted (*OSBA recommendation*)
 - JECB-AR (3)** - Mutual Agreement - Admission of Nonresident Students (*OSBA recommendation*)
 - JFCF/GBNA** - Hazing / Harassment / Intimidation / Bullying / Menacing (*policies separated*)
 - JFCF/GBNA-AR** - Hazing / Harassment / Intimidation / Bullying / Menacing Complaint Procedures (*ARs separated*)
 - KC** - Community Involvement in Decision Making (*redundant*)

Jeff Smith moved and Edie Jones seconded that the Board delete the above policies and ARs. Vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

- Adopt/Readopt Policies & ARs** The board discussed the following policies and ARs to adopt/readopt:
- BG/GBD** - Board / Staff Communications (*duplicate policy*)
 - DFA** - Investment of Funds (*no change*)
 - DJFA** - Procurement of Credit Cards (*no record of adoption*)
 - DLB** - Payroll Deductions (*no record of adoption*)
 - GBD/BG** - Board / Staff Communications (*duplicate policy*)
 - GBED** - Medical Examinations / Drug Testing (*no change*)
 - GBEDA** - Drug and Alcohol Testing and Record Query - Transportation Personnel (*no change*)
 - GBH/JECAC** - Staff / Student / Parent Relations (*duplicate policy*)
 - IGBAB/JO** - Education Records / Records of Students with Disabilities (*duplicate policy*)
 - IGDA** - Student Organizations (*no change*)
 - JECAC/GBH** - Staff / Student / Parent Relations (*duplicate policy*)
 - JIA** - Student Excellence Program (*no change*)
 - JO/IGBAB** - Education Records / Records of Students with Disabilities (*duplicate policy*)

Edie Jones moved and Asa Sarver seconded that the Board adopt/readopt the above policies and ARs. Vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

- First Reading Policies & ARs** The board reviewed the following policies and ARs:
- AC** - Nondiscrimination (*revised*)
 - AC-AR** - Discrimination Complaint Procedure (*revised*)
 - BD/BDA** - Board Meetings (*new policy*)
 - BDC** - Executive Sessions (*new policy*)
 - EFA** - Local Wellness Program (*left under review from last year*)
 - IGBAH** - Special Education - Evaluation Procedures (*revised*)

Recess

Dave Thorsett declared recess of the Regular Board Meeting at **7:40pm**.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Call to Order **Dave Thorsett** declared in the Executive Session (Superintendent Evaluation) at **7:49pm**.

Executive Session The Board conducted the Superintendent Curt Scholl's yearly review.

Adjourn **Dave Thorsett** declared the Executive Session adjourned at **9:20pm**.

Reconvene **Dave Thorsett** declared the Regular Board Meeting reconvened at **9:20pm**.

Jeff Smith moved and Edie Jones seconded to approve the Superintendent evaluation and contract with a modification to non-fault termination as discussed. Motion passed 4-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Meeting Minutes 2024-05-01 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Resignations **Megan Crouch**, SES Teacher
David Rowell, SHS Teacher

New Hires **Brook Jackson**, SMS Counselor

David Thorsett moved and Asa Sarver seconded that the Board adopt the 2024-06-05 Consent Agenda. Vote was unanimous in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Event	Time	Location
July 3, 2024	Organizational Board Meeting	6:00pm	DO

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn **David Thorsett** called the Regular Board Meeting adjourned at **9:23pm**.

David Thorsett, Board Chairman

Amy Bionda, Board Secretary