

# Sisters School District

"Home of the Outlaws"



Board of Directors Board Meeting 5:00pm  
Sisters School District Administration Building  
September 13, 2017

## MEETING MINUTES

### ATTENDEES:

**Board:** Jeff Smith, Amanda Clark, Jay Wilkins, Nicki Gregg, Stephen King

**Superintendent:** Curtiss Scholl

**Administrators:** Sherry Joseph

**Supervisors:**

### CALL TO ORDER / FLAG SALUTE

Jeff Smith called the meeting to order at 5:00p.m. and led the flag salute.

### ADDITIONS, DELETION, AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA/ ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Addition – Superintendent Report ~ Sisters Folk Festival cancellation update.

**Amanda Clark moved and Jay Wilkins seconded the Board approve the September 13, 2017 agenda with the noted revisions. Vote was unanimous in favor, motion passed 5 -0.**

### COMMUNITY COMMENTS

No comments.

### SSD INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM ~ Susan Springer

Susan Springer applauded the Sisters School District for their instrumental program and how the program has grown; it has become a very marketable program for the school district. She complimented Tyler Cranor for his instructional skills and his contribution to helping grow the band program. Susan has written five grants for the band program which has awarded the district more than \$15,000. Her hope is that the district recognizes Tyler's contributions to the program. SSD has 6 students that participate in the Central Oregon Youth Orchestra. Susan just submitted this week another grant request to the Roundhouse Foundation which would help fund the jazz/combo this year. If granted, this would be the third year the Roundhouse has help fund this program.

### BUSINESS/FINANCE ~ Sherry Joseph ~ Tab H

Sherry presented the board with the General Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Ending Fund Balance.

### SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Enrollment Report ~

Curt reviewed the enrollment report with the board. Enrollment is down from projections but hoping it continues with last year's trend of increasing throughout the year. Jay Wilkins and Stephen King would both like to see the district more proactive in implementing a marketing plan to increase enrollment.

46 Bond Update ~  
47 Curt updated the board about finished bond projects, as well as other phases in process and their status.  
48 Permitting and construction schedules have slowed down some of the progress of completion.

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50 Fire Update ~  
51 Curt was in constant contact with the fire management team during the fire. The district followed the local  
52 air quality index monitor to make decisions about school days and athletic practices. Curt is working  
53 through Deschutes County to reach out to other sources that may partially reimburse monies for filters  
54 that were purchased to help with air quality in the buildings during the fire. Stephen King commended  
55 Curt for his decisions of pushing out the beginning schools days as well as closing school during heavy  
56 smoke and poor air quality days.

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58 SSD 2017-2018 Student Calendar – Smoke Days Change ~ Tab Q

59 **Amanda Clark moved and Nicki Gregg seconded that the board approved the revised 2017-2018**  
60 **Student Calendar to reflect the added make up days for starting school two days later. Vote was**  
61 **unanimous in favor, motion passed 5-0.**

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63 Sisters Folk Festival ~  
64 Jay Wilkins serves on the Sisters Folk Festival board and he reported that the SFF still hopes to fund all of  
65 their supported initiatives. However, the SFF still does not know what the full financial impact will be on  
66 them. Stephen is concerned that the Sisters Folk Festival will have a short fall and not be able to support  
67 the district. He would like to approach the Sisters School Foundation and ask them to change their bi  
68 laws to allow the foundation to help pay for personnel and expenses that might be shorted by the folk  
69 festival’s cancellation.

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71 **ADMINISTRATORS REPORTS**

72 SHS ~  
73 Joe Hosang was not able to attend as he is attending an AVID parent meeting, Curt Scholl reported on his  
74 by behalf. The first home volleyball game had great attendance by the students. Link Crew started a new  
75 tradition of letting seniors decorate their personal parking spots. This Friday will be the first home  
76 football game and SHS is excited to host the event in the new stadium. Sisters GRO continues to grow  
77 and provide more financial support in ways of scholarships for our graduates. Several teachers were able  
78 to attend AVID training in San Diego and regionally. Our math department was able to attend a week  
79 long math professional development training. SHS will accreditation evaluation this year. A new  
80 student information system, TylerSIS, has been implemented in the district. The tech department is still  
81 working out the some transition issues. SHS will continue to use School Loop this year. Canvas will  
82 continue to be used at Sisters Middle School. Sisters Elementary School is using TylerSIS.

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84 SMS ~  
85 Tara Reis was pleased with the warm welcome she has received from students and staff. SMS Leadership  
86 hosted a Welcome Back assembly and it was a huge success. 5<sup>th</sup> graders were able to attend a field to  
87 Bend Science Station. Seed to Table is going to be working with 6<sup>th</sup> grade science students. ECoS will be  
88 taking their first weekend expedition at the end of September. Deputy Crosswhite is going to be meeting  
89 with students to review safety rules and talk about safe schools. At the end of September, Gabe Gabriel, a  
90 former NASA engineer, will be speaking at SMS. The SMS leadership students will be attending an all-

91 day regional leadership conference. Next Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm, at SMS will host a Parent  
92 Information Fair.

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94 SES ~

95 Becky Stoughton shared that this year at SES will be a year of change. SES has new curriculum and  
96 working on the adoption of that. With the new curriculum there is a push out communication piece that  
97 can be sent out to parents and to students. Becky thanked SMS staff, school board members and  
98 community that helped SES get ready for the first day of school. She invited the board to visit the school  
99 and see all the improvements. SES will host an Open House at a later time. October 12<sup>th</sup> will be the first  
100 SPTC Family Night. The theme for the night is “Foods Around the World”.

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102 SEO/Transitions ~

103 Mark Stewart complimented the district staff for their work during the difficult start of school this year.  
104 Neil Fendall was hired as the new SEO teacher at SHS. Mark and Neil are working together on an  
105 outreach /marketing program for homeschool students. The online platform was all moved to BYU  
106 online. Mark is excited about the SEO program and where things are headed. The Transition Center has  
107 been moved to the old central storage modular behind the football stadium. He thanked Angeline Rhett  
108 for letting the transitions program be housed in the bottom of the Belfry for the last two years. Mark also  
109 presented the board with a book that was published by Susie Werts’ students. There will be an assembly  
110 on Friday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, at SMS to honor the students. A communication celebration for the book  
111 publication will also be held on Saturday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> at Sisters Chamber office.

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113 **BOARD BUSINESS**

114 Work Session Schedule ~

115 The board will hold a work session for Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10:00 – 12:00pm at the district office.

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117 **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 118 ➤ August 2, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
119 ➤ August 22, 2017 Special Session Meeting Minutes  
120 ➤ New Hire, Neil Fendall, 1.0 FTE SEO teacher @ SHS  
121 ➤ New Hire, Alyssa Hopper, 1.0 FTE teacher @ SES  
122 ➤ New Hire, Taylor McCord, 1.00 FTE teacher @ SES  
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124 **Jay Wilkins moved and Amanda Clark seconded the Board approve the Consent Agenda. Vote was**  
125 **unanimous in favor, motion carried 4-0. Stephen King abstained from the vote.**

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127 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
130 10/04/2017	Regular School Board Meeting	5:00pm	District Office
131 10/18/2017	OSBA Fall Regional Meeting	6:00pm	HDES D

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133 **ADJOURNMENT**

134 The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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Jeff Smith, Chair

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Melanie Petterson, Board Secretary