



Sisters School District

“Home of the Outlaws”

Board of Directors Meeting
Sisters District Office
August 04, 2021

6:00pm

MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDEES:

Board: Don Hedrick, Jeff Smith, David Thorsett, Edie Jones

Absent: Jenica Cogdill

Superintendent: Curt Scholl

Supervisors: Sherry Joseph

CALL TO ORDER / FLAG SALUTE

Don Hedrick called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the flag salute.

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

Addition – Consent Agenda – New Hire, Elizabeth DeFranco

New Hire, Hilgers, Mathew

Resignation, Jeff Larson

Addition – Superintendent – English Learners in Oregon Annual Report 2019-2020

Jeff Smith moved and Edie Jones seconded that the board adopt the August 04, 2021 agenda with the above revisions. Vote was unanimous in favor, motion passed 3-0. David Thorsett was not in attendance at that time.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Rodney Cooper, 69274 Stetson, Sisters, OR

Rodney Cooper questioned the board about their knowledge of any school aged children dying from COVID-19, if they had read any articles regarding the dangers of children wearing masks and if they are making the mask mandate decision out of fear from the government.

Amy Larabbi, 152450 Windigo Trail, Sisters, OR

Amy Larabbi shared her concerns about the district choosing to follow the governor’s mask mandate. She is concerned about students’ mental and physical well-being. She cautioned the board to consider how much money the district would lose if the families in the district unenrolled their students if the district enforces masks in the schools.

Debbie Meadows, 1961 NW Nickerreck Crt, Sisters, OR

Debbie Meadows stated that she agreed with everything that Amy Larabbi said.

Stephanie McMillan, 710 NW Hinderman, Sisters, OR

Stephanie McMillan shared that she had no children in the district but says the board is not performing their due diligence.

Ellen Schmall, 715 NW Brooks Camp Road, Sisters, OR

Ellen Schmall stated that she had no students in the district but is very concerned seeing children participating in sports while wearing masks. She advised that the board do their research regarding masking children.

Scott Stewart, 631 Sundance Ridge Ct., Redmond, OR

Scott Stewart shared his concern for Governor Brown using her authority to mandate students wearing masks, which he feels, is unconstitutional. Stewart suggested that the board could be held individually and jointly liable for gross negligence if a child is harmed, medical or physically, from being forced to wear a mask.

Ed Owens, 313 E Aspen Woods, Sisters, OR

Ed Owens shared that he feels the mask mandates are unlawful and unnecessary. He also feels that Critical Race Theory does not belong in the district.

Ronni Moore, 69220 Lariat, Sisters, OR

Ronni Moore shared that she plans to pull her son if masks are required and bullying issues aren't addressed. She feels the students are being treated unfairly if they have to wear masks.

Russ Smith, 1617 W. Williamson Ave., Sisters, OR

Russ Smith feels that the mask mandate should be a choice and not be enforced. He may not have his children attend the district if masks are enforced.

Mandi Moore, Sisters, OR

Mandi Moore said that her children would not be wearing a mask when they attend school this coming school year. She feels that sexual teachings of transgender should not be in the schools.

Sara Johnson, 16054 Perit Huntington Road, Sisters, OR

Sara Johnson shared her concern for students wearing masks. She feels that wearing masks at school should be a choice for families and students.

Jess Roux, 1171 W. Hill, Sisters, OR.

Jess Roux echoed and supported the comments that Sara Johnson shared.

Asa Sarvel, 13397 Trilliam, Sisters, OR

Asa Sarvel shared that he is not excited about kids wearing masks but he would rather have his students in school, wearing masks, then staying at home.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Curt Scholl announced the district offered a contract to architectural firm, BRLB to build the new elementary school.

He reported that the 2021-2022 school year will be a full school year and rather than using late-start Wednesdays for professional development, the district would now use early release Fridays.

He also announced that the district has many new hires. The district is pleased that the state fund has been reallocated and is back to the original projected \$9.3 billion amount, it will be fully funded.

Curt shared that summer school was a huge success and serviced over 20 students, five days a week. Transitions students' extended school year is going very well.

The bond council will have the bond resolution to the district by Aug. 16th. The board will need to approve this resolution at a special session board meeting.

Curt shared the new governor issuance of the Resilience Program and its current requirements. He also shared what the ramifications and penalties were if the district did not follow these guidelines.

BOARD BUSINESS

Special session date for passing the bond resolution will be August 16th at 6:00pm, at the district office.

1st reading policies ~

IIBGA – Electronic Communications Systems

CBA – Qualifications and Duties of the Superintendent

JGA – Corporal Punishment

CONSENT AGENDA: (Tab K)

Jeff Smith moved and Don Hedrick seconded the Board approve the consent agenda. The vote was unanimous in favor, motion carried 4-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
09/08/21	Regular School Board Meeting	6:00pm	DO

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55p.m.

Don Hedrick, Chairman

Melanie Petterson, Secretary