



# Sisters School District

“Home of the Outlaws”

Board of Directors Meeting  
Sisters District Office  
September 7, 2022

6:00pm

## MEETING MINUTES

### ATTENDEES:

**Board:** Asa Sarver, Jeff Smith (Zoom), David Thorsett, Edie Jones, Jenica Cogdill

**Superintendent:** Curt Scholl

**Supervisors:** Sherry Joseph

### CALL TO ORDER / FLAG SALUTE

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

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

Amendments

Board Transportation Letter is now an Action Item.

**Edie Jones moved and David Thorsett seconded that the board adopt the September 7, 2022 agenda with the above revisions. Vote was unanimous in favor, motion passed 5-0.**

### COMMUNITY COMMENTS

N/A

### BUSINESS/FINANCE REPORT

Sherry Joseph informed the board that there wasn't much to report on in regards to revenue and expenditures due to the school year just beginning. However, there is a correction to the June Resolution #21-22-02. ODE found she had combined the transfers and debt service into one line item, Sherry corrected the resolution and is asking the board to re adopt the amended resolution.

**Edie Jones moved and Asa Sarver seconded that the board adopt Resolution #21-22-02 with the above revisions. Vote was unanimous in favor, motion passed 5-0.**

### ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

#### Lorna Van Geem ~ Special Programs

Lorna reported that the Special Programs department has been busy with meetings and programing to make sure they are meeting student needs. Several move in students with complex needs, focus on support. The Transition Center Building has been relocated to the High School. Purchased new reading material and program to help with transition for graduating students to learn new transition skills. A sensory room has been built at the Elementary School for students to help with sensory breaks, routine based, 15 minute long to help regulate demand of academics. Help to decrease some behavior issues and

increase progress for learning. Three hour training with Occupational Therapist, Office Specialist and Speech Pathologist to work with Para Professionals and Kindergarten teachers to help with strategies for high needs students. Working with Tim and creating a space for complex needs students at the Middle School. Added intervention curriculum at the Middle School to help with needs. Para Professional position still available.

### **Joan Warburg ~ Elementary School**

Great start to the school year. Students started yesterday with the exception of pre-k and kindergartners. Assessed kindergarten students on Tues and Wed this week and are ready for Monday start. Kindergartners had their stop and drop to meet teachers, see classrooms and get a feel for the school. Pre-K will start on Tuesday with all spots filled (18). Joan had a nice shout out to the two custodians and the construction team for their help with moving spaces. Pre – K to Library and Library to modular bldg. Grateful for her team and the effort to get the building ready for students and how her teacher have created a beautiful space for students. The stop and drop for students last week was successful with a 95% turnout. All are excited.

### **Tim Roth ~ Middle School**

Tim reported that the Middle School wrapped up Summer School with finishing the mural next to the stage. A Hike and Read Camp in the woods and focused on Literacy work. Web Day – all 5<sup>th</sup> grade and new students spent the day with student leaders that gave them an orientation about the culture and what makes Sisters School District so awesome. They were able to go through their schedule and meet teachers. Open house was great – good attendance. Didn't do a head count but all the burgers and hot dogs were gone at the end. This was a great time with student families. David Thorsett gave a compliment from a parent that Tim has great energy and they are excited about the new school year and the move here. Students received their schedules and were able to meet teachers and roam the building. The first full day went smoothly and three sports started; cross country, football and volleyball.

### **Steve Stancliff ~ High School**

Wrapped up Summer School with a great finish. The IE program helped Mr. Runco design a gear trailer. Steve reported that they had a great in-service week with teachers and instructional assistants focusing on belonging from last year and meeting where the kids are at. Prepared for 22/23 and asked staff what does Sisters High School look like – process and feedback? Refreshed staff on evaluation process and time to transition to the new 3/5 schedule and to understand the logistics and the amount of work that goes into it. The first day of orientation for 9<sup>th</sup> grade was an awesome day. Connected 9<sup>th</sup> grade students to upper classman to help them connect and get a feel for the campus. Hoping to do more as mentors during the school year. Athletics off to great start, good energy and seeing faces is a great start. "Eddie complimented on "leveraging what they bring" empowering for students to know this.

### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

- **Enrollment Report** – Curtiss reported that the original report was off by ten (the formula rolled over incorrectly and Lynne fixed it) Real numbers as of 9/2/22 are 1149, feels good and the highest the enrollment has been since he has been here. (will confirm) A more

accurate reading will be next month after the 10 day drops, changes, etc. take place. Largest opening numbers since COVID.

- **Bond Report** – Moving forward, Transition Center out, bus turnout and construction site for ES. Final bid documents, supply chain issues, trying to open in 2023 is nearly impossible. Completion set for the end of April 2024. Start with student's fall of 2024 with students in the new building.  
Haven't confirmed an opening ceremony as of yet but looking at October 2024.
- **University of Oregon** – Curt met with them today and board approved for Curt to partner with them for support. Strategic planning with U of O students, City Planning and Parks and Rec Division. They will be here October 7<sup>th</sup> to view the grounds and study what they need to move forward with the partnership. This is to work on best optimizing our assets for the City of Sisters. Focusing on Administration Property, Transportation and Grade School. Looking forward to this partnership and what it has to offer.

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

- **Transportation Letter** – If you live within a mile of a school there is not a requirement for busing and they will not reimburse you for it. In our district we have had a waiver because of Cascade Ave. running through town.
- The letter to the state by Ryan Stock is asking for supplemental transportation plan that would affect 10-15 elementary students. This is an Action Item.

**Jenica Cogdill moved and Edie Jones seconded the Board approve the Transportation Letter. The vote was unanimous in favor, motion carried 5-0.**

Board discussed the following 1<sup>st</sup> reading policies:

- JEA – Compulsory Attendance
- JECAC/GBH – Staff/Student/Parent Relations
- JHFE – Suspected Abuse of a Child Reporting Requirements
- JHHA - Crisis Prevention and Response
- JO/IGBAB – Education Records/Records of Students with Disabilities
- KGBB – Firearms Prohibited
- KL – Public Complaints

Board discussed the following policies for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading:

- IGBA – Students with Disabilities
- JB – Equal Education Opportunity
- JBAA – Section 504 – Students
- JECB – Admission of Nonresident Students
- JFC - Student Conduct and Discipline
- JFCF – Hazing/Harassment/Intimidation/Menacing/Bullying/Cyberbullying/Teen Dating Violence/Domestic Violence – Student

- JFCI – Substance/Drug Abuse
- JFCJ – Weapons at School
- JFCM – Threats of Violence
- JGA – Corporal Punishment
- JGDA/JGEA – Discipline of Disabled Students
- JGEA – Alternative Education Programs Following Expulsion
- JHCC – Communicable Diseases
- JHFF/GBNAA – Reporting Requirements for Suspected Sexual Conduct with Students
- JOA – Directory Information
- JOB – Personally Identifiable Information
- KAB – Parental Rights
- KBA – Public Records
- KG – Community Use of District Facilities
- KGE – Public Responsibility for Facility Usage
- KN – Relations with Law Enforcement Agency
- LBE – Public Charter Schools

**David Thorsett motioned and Edie Jones seconded the Board approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading policies with changes. The vote was unanimous in favor, motion carried 5-0.**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Edie Jones moved and Asa Sarver seconded the Board approve the 09/07/22 consent agenda. The vote was unanimous in favor, motion carried 5-0.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
10/05/22	Regular School Board Meeting	6:00pm	DO

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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David Thorsett, Chairman

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Jane Ashley, Board Secretary