

GRANT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3

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BOARD MEETING

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WEDNESDAY 19 JULY 2023 – 06:00PM

R E V I S E D SPECIAL SESSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

[* = supplement enclosed]

1.0 PRELIMINARY BUSINESS:

- 1.1 Call to order
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3 Agenda Review / Approval/ Approved
- 1.4 Public Comments / 3-minute limit:
 - 1.4.1 1) <u>King Williams:</u> Doesn't see his motion made to pass budget and add the Supplemental Budget CM. Approval did not mean we agreed. We asked for supplemental BC Mtg in July. Further discussion needed. Asking this to be done. Important that this body resolve any issues w/PC for Co-op sports.
 - 1.4.2 2) Charlene Morris: Upset with this budget process this year. Budget officer required to present a full balanced budget. Critical issues w/ budget process tax dollars involved/managed if not transparent, huge issue for district. Feels district office made a decision outside/aside from motion [for supplemental budget meeting] by budget committee [feels] not transparent. Wants to know if there will be further discussion in meeting [this evening] about [my comments].

 RESPONSE LD: Will be further discussed on Agenda Item No. 3.4. Per legal counsel, unless we are making a 10% change [or more] in our budget, no need for a "supplemental budget meeting", but we can do a "resolution budget meeting". Back and forth between CM and LD; Stacy Durych asked to address the concern about filing resolution late without BC consent following a supplemental meeting.

2.0 REPORTS:

2.1 Superintendent/updates/LD */ Presenting job description drafts completed thus far. Continuing to be a work in progress. System using: Talent Ed. Handbook will be available for staff before "in-service" time. Will share with board later. Contracts done, awaiting few signatures.

3.0 NEW BUSINESS

- 3.1 **Motions to Elect:**
 - 3.1.1 Chair Person of the Board/ Discussion about nomination; motion: WB by ZB/M.T.A/unanimous
 - 3.1.2 Vice-Chair Person of the Board/ *Motion: AC by: JT/CL/unanimous*

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- 3.2 Capitol Projects Update: key locks/door action/NG/ Not on original Agenda; move to the end of the agenda as 3.9(?) motion: JT/AC/unanimous/ LD: NG may join after 7:00PM. LD presented locking systems to schools. Magnetic system explained how system works. Cost: some discussion; final proposed amount: \$30,000.00 /installation + \$53,000.00 (5 years); (10 years: \$83,000.00) /monthly manage licensing/monitoring. Other customers: info. From Robert W ESD. Money set aside for capitol improvements. NG [project manager consultant for district] may present later. JT reminded former board motivated to install security locking system. ZB wants to see comparables; WB agrees. Add discussion to next board meeting.
- 3.3 Request to New Board of Directors Using Robert's Rules of Order:
 - 3.3.1 Chair Person Keeping Meeting in Order:
 - 3.3.1.1 Public commentary about meeting topics saved until meeting is complete, including Zoom participants/ AC: recommended EM sent in advance of public comment. With some discussion WB stated: 'want everyone heard, but on topic and during designated time(s).' M.T.: unsure of board bi-laws. Easy to feel unheard; frustrating. Motion:

 17/AC/ discussion: M.T.. WB: shut down "Zoom chats" to eliminate negative, unproductive comments. CL: public comments not required. Review bi-laws then make decision. JM offered to review "public comment policy" and present to board for approval, then to OSBA for revision; did not pass revisit next meeting.
 - 3.3.1.2 Identification of each speaker (board member/public)/ *Discussion: CL: important to ID comments/voting.*
 - 3.3.1.3 Disallowing speaking out of turn/ WB: raise hand, recognized by chair/vice chair if filling in. Decorum/identity applicable to in-person and virtual participants.
 - 3.3.1.4 Time watch on "Public Comments / 3-minute limit" session/ WB: JM keeping time w/ stop watch. CL: asked/suggested to obtain publicly viewable countdown clock. Virtual participants MUST ID selves.
 - 3.3.1.5 Clearly identifying motions and seconds/ WB: Be clear in IDing selves.
- 3.4 <u>Board Member Resignation: Mr. Kelly Stokes | Zone 1 | Term Expires: 2025/LD */ LD: Thanked KS for service. See Janet for board opening details/ When would board want to conduct interviews. ZB/CL/ discussion: AC: Zone 1. LD: When to conduct interviews; unanimous</u>
- 3.5 2023/2024 Budget Resolution/SD/ Topics Seneca: future continuation/explanation of income/expenses; Humbolt Childcare Center (HCCC): may be at a loss fist year too soon to adjust budget until opening and we see where the numbers land. Will have actuals in August. CM: addressing ZB concerns about adopted -vs- actual budget numbers. AC: budget approved last mtg. Supplemental/work session to further discuss [understand] with clarity. WB: work session? ZB: can make budget changes via resolution(s). KW: budget resolution discussion. SD: send questions in advance of the meeting so she can research/prepare: Motion to reconvene for Budget Supplemental meeting: ZB/M.T./discussion: CL: suggest others, outside board, comment on supplemental b. mtg/ unanimous/ LD: date/time? ZB suggest Survey Monkey; LD will do. CM: action? CL: action. ZB (amended motion)/M.T./unanimous. SD: funding PERS, explanation of salaries/PERS; left funds at 15%/ will continue to add 5% each year. Cushion built in to PERS UAL. LD: further clarity PERS/UAL.
- OSBA Training to Continue Moving Forward?/LD/ Vince of OSBA would be the next trainer; Aug/Sept; district mission and priorities; Nov: district plan creates road map; Dec district monitoring session. Cost: \$5,000.00 \$8,000.00; needs board approval to move funds for this cost; AC: priorities? LD: could be added to curriculum. M.T.: Is there an opportunity to negotiate price? Has anyone ever asked? Offered business example worthy of questioning. Find set fees. ZB: Decide what training/support we need; LD: Will plan to inquire w/OSBA/ ZB: Set training sessions after gaining feedback from community, wants/needs. CL: Agrees. Maybe October.

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- 3.6.1 If Unanimous "Yes", \$5,000.00 will be required for the Board Budget/LD
- 3.7 Proposal for Future of Seneca Elementary School/LD/ Met w/ few board members/ future of Seneca. Budget/income clarifications reduced the cost to keep Seneca running; closer to breaking even. WB: How did we go from \$150,000.00 in the red with Seneca to close to breaking even – how did that come about?' SD: Recalculation of amount received per student. LD: receives funds from state for all three schools in one lump sum; divided out. NG (virtually): Feasibility/ Echo NW - PDX completed district report. Last 15 years Seneca has lost an average of 4 students/year; Seneca is losing money and at the rate of loss at 4 students/year, Seneca will close itself; a policy issue the board needs to address. Issue 2: continual decline across the board, Echo NW estimates a \$1,000,000.00 loss over the next 5 years. Suggests Echo NW come back out to re-present to new board the discussion that was presented to former board 05/2023. LD: How do we make Seneca cost neutral? Presented a couple of spending scenarios. Requested feedback from board: ZB: What are we doing to try and boost enrollment? LD: Looking to turn Seneca into an outdoor historical school; flyer out on web page/Seneca. ZB: Seneca staff? 5 total employees. Spoke to 2 families in Seneca and would be willing to talk to more families to try and boost enrollment. JT: All for 2 proposals; wants to see Seneca stay open and to make sure LD is supported in his effort to keep Seneca open. M.T.: Support of option 2. Culture has changed from when M.T.'s children attended Seneca.
- 3.8 Community Listening Session Proposed by Chris Labhart/CL/ We have changes coming with new GU Principal. Suggest meeting in new gym and hear what people are wanting. WB: Listen, engage and act. AC: discussion to gain good comments and feedback. RE: board training, setting priorities, plans and looking at data, as to meeting goals, if done properly, success can be gained. CL: 'Superintendent's role for our district'. Wants to see positive changes.
 - 3.8.1 First Proposed Meeting [Time] Suggestion:
 - $3.8.1.1 \quad 08/15/2023 7:00PM$

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Frequency? CL: Once we hear form public, then we can decide policies for public voice. MW [new HS Principal]: Excited to come back. Wants to conduct open public discussion session sometime in September. Working on staff feedback in August. WB: We can figure out which board member will attend each school and then bring feedback to next board meeting. ZB: Interested in hearing form public, students, former staff. MW: Agrees, however interested in current staff [their needs and goals]. JT: Previous concern former staff, why? May need to ask hard questions so we can know the answers. Good to put energy in to current staff. ZB: Wants to know why decline in enrollment.

WB: Opened floor to virtual participants; JM confirmed: none.

- 4.0 FUTURE CALENDAR DATES 2023 | BOARD MEETINGS: 7:00PM, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED
 - 4.1 08/16 Board Meeting
 - 4.2 09/20 Board Meeting
 - 4.3 10/18 Board Meeting
 - 4.4 11/15 Board Meeting
 - 4.5 12/20 Board Meeting
- 5.0 GOOD OF THE ORDER:
 - 5.1 **KS:** Resigned prior to meeting
 - 5.2 M.T. A: Looking forward to working with everybody here to get some real change made to the district.

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- 5.3 **AC:** Looking forward to listening sessions and priorities.
- 5.4 <u>CL:</u> Will be out of country [08/22 09/23/2023]; glad [WB] is chair
- 5.5 <u>ZB:</u> If he cannot attend a meeting, can it commence if we have a quorum? Excited about positive change. Appreciated the comments from everybody. Appreciates Budget Committee for being here.
- 5.6 <u>WB:</u> Thank King Williams for his comments: sports co-op; budget. Sports co-op, wants Andy [Lusco] to be present in August, have 4 new board members, wants added to agenda in August, need to come to agreement, even if we have to part paths. Also thanks to Charlene for her participation in the Budget Committee. Need to get word out that changes are coming.
- 5.7 <u>JT:</u> Co-op, wants to see Andy present, as well. Tough decisions ahead. LD not afraid to face the tough questions and work ahead. A lot of work to do.
- 5.8 LD: Passed out docs from Steve Kelly, OSBA.

6.0 ADJOURNED: 8:40PM – JT/ZB/unanimous

CLOSING STATEMENT: Compilation and completion of these minutes were drawn by reviewing the 02:38:49 Zoom recording of this 07/19/2023 SS Board Meeting in its entirety on 08/04/2023. By: Janet Myers, Board Secretary

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