

Clatskanie School District 6J
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING
July 12, 2021, 6:30 pm via Zoom and in person at the Old Middle School Gym, 660 SW Bryant St
(see our main page at www.csd.k12.or.us for instructions on joining the meeting via Zoom)

ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present: Megan Evenson-Board Chair, Kara Harris-Vice Chair, Ian Wiggins, Katherine Willis, Kathy Engel
Admin Team Present: Cathy Hurowitz-Superintendent, Maeve Mitchell-Business Manager, Mark Berghold, Tami Burgher-Board Secretary, Jim Helmen-Director of Student Services & Innovation, Kara Burghardt-CES Principal, Dr. Jeff Williamson-CMHS Principal
Guests: Albritton Family, Jacquelyn Holmes, Ken Kern, Diane Pohl, Lori Sherman, Donna Thompson, Paul Simmons, Tim Erwin, Kami Gray, Heather, Dawn Warren, Amanda Turner, Rebekah B.

- I. CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 pm
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - B. Agenda Review: No changes
 - C. Approve Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda

K. Engel/K. Harris - UNANIMOUS

- II. COMMUNICATIONS AND HEARINGS OF INTERESTED PARTIES
 - A. Public Comment: Diane Pohl and Lori Sherman, owner of Piercing Arrow Private School, both spoke about their belief and wish that students from Piercing Arrow Private School be allowed to play sports for the Clatskanie School District. That request was made and denied during this school year. They believe that this is unfair and the decision should be reversed for the 21-22 school year.
This is the time for citizens to address the Board. All speakers should state their name prior to speaking. Speakers are asked to write their name, address, phone number and topic to be addressed on the registration card. Speaking time is limited to three minutes per speaker. Speakers may offer objective criticism of district operation and programs, but the Board will not hear any complaints concerning specific District personnel. The Chair will direct the visitor to the appropriate means for Board consideration and disposition of legitimate complaints involving individuals. The right to address the Board does not exempt the speaker from any potential liability for defamation.
 - B. Student Body Report: None
 - C. Oregon School Employees Association Representative Report: None
 - D. Clatskanie Education Association Representative Report: T. Erwin wanted to thank Cathy and the rest of the negotiating team for working over email and online to get the contract finalized so teachers didn't have to worry about it over the break. C. Hurowitz thanked the teachers for working hard on getting this done and for always putting the kids first.
 - E. COVID Safety/Athletics Update - Ryan Tompkins: None

- III. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. None

- IV. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. NWRESA Zone 4 Election: There were a few candidates to choose from, one being our very own, Jim Helmen. There was a brief discussion on time commitment, which is one day a month, and why Jim wanted to be a part of it.

A motion was made to nominate Jim Helmen for the ESD Zone 4 position.

I. Wiggins/K. Willis - UNANIMOUS

- B. Elect 2021-2022 Chair

A motion was made to nominate Megan Evenson as Board Chair.

K. Harris/K. Engel - UNANIMOUS

C. Elect 2021-2022 Vice Chair

A motion was made to nominate Kara Harris as Vice Chair.

K. Engel/I. Wiggins - UNANIMOUS

D. Elect 2021-2022 Policy Committee

A motion was made to nominate Kathy Engel and Katherine Willis to continue on the policy committee.

K. Harris/I. Wiggins - UNANIMOUS

E. Elect 2021-2022 OSEA Negotiating Committee

A motion was made to nominate Kathy Engel and Ian Wiggins continue to serve on the OSEA Negotiating Committee

K. Harris/K. Willis - UNANIMOUS

F. Elect 2021-2022 CEA Negotiating Committee

A motion was made to nominate Kara Harris and Megan Evenson to remain on the CEA Negotiating Committee

K. Engel/K. Willis - UNANIMOUS

G. Approval of .5 FTE Business Manager, Maeve Mitchell (effective 7/1/21)

A motion was made to approve the .5 FTE Business Manager of Maeve Mitchell effective 7/1/21.

K. Willis/K. Harris - UNANIMOUS

H. Discuss Bond Accountability: Written.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. K-6 Principal Report: Written.
- B. 7-12 Principal Report: Written.
- C. Student Services Report: Written.
- D. Superintendent Report: Written
- Financial Report: Written

VI. BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS: K. Willis was glad to see that the credit recovery went well and it will be exciting to hear how many credits were recovered; and thanks to John (Hazapis) and Mary (Sizemore) for taking that on. M. Evenson welcomed Jeff Williamson on staff. K. Engel discussed going to a meeting with the owner and president of Next Renewable Energy today. It was very exciting to listen to him. It was representatives of all the tax districts just sitting around a table with him and hearing about this project. They could ask any questions they wanted. The company will pay taxes immediately, and; with all of the workers coming into town, it will be like "throwing a bowling ball into a bathtub". It is hard on a community and they need to pay for the services that the community provides. The school district could possibly get off of the state formula when they hit 1.3 billion. They are going to start in 2024. C. Hurowitz then asked how we, as a school district, could support our own students to be able to apply for jobs that would be available at their facility. He was very positive about working together and going forward. Start planning in the next couple of years. Possibly a training facility in our school? He is committed to education and it is very exciting. There was a discussion about biodiesel vs. renewable.

VII. INFORMATION (no action needed)

- A. Grounds/landscaping: P. Simmons spoke about the lack of landscaping and groundskeeping and why that is happening. At this time, we have a ½ time groundskeeper and ½ time maintenance. He hasn't had a lot of time to spend on grounds when we have had such major maintenance issues i.e., floods, HVAC issues, etc. The custodians do pitch in when they can. They are hoping to brainstorm to see how to fix this issue; add a part time groundskeeper on a seasonal basis? Offer extra hours to employees? They also discussed how the district cannot spray any herbicides or pesticides without having a licensed person to do the application. This can be a union issue when hiring outside contractors to do a union job. They will come up with a plan.
- B. Critical Race Theory: There have been a lot of discussions regarding critical race theory in the public and on Facebook. It doesn't and shouldn't have any influence on our curriculum. We teach history, slavery, civil rights, we want our children to be independent thinkers. Our goal is for our children to have academic and athletic experience. There is no critical race curriculum, it seems to be more of a political issue. As a district we are