

VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD of DIRECTORS Public Meeting

Thursday, March 9, 2023 – 6:00 p.m. Vernonia Schools, 1000 Missouri Avenue, Vernonia, OR 97064

Public participation on agenda items occurs at the discretion of the chair. Please indicate your interest by completing a "Public Comment Card" provided at the agenda table and give it to the Board Secretary or if attending virtually, email your interest to bcarr@vernoniak12.org 24 hours before the meeting. Individual comments are limited to 3 minutes. Group comments are limited to 5 minutes.

At 8:00 p.m., the Board may take a five-minute recess, and the chair will review the agenda for possible rescheduling of agenda items. For special accommodations, call 429-5891 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

REGULAR SESSION

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1.0	CALL TO ORDER 1.1 Flag Salute Chair
2.0	AGENDA REVIEW
3.0	PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA & NON-AGENDA ITEMS This is a time for public comment. Normally the Board will not take any immediate action, but will refer concerns to the Superintendent and ask him to report to the Board. We would appreciate you keeping comments to 3 minutes per individual or 5 minutes if you are representing a group of patrons. Please note: Under Oregon Revised Statues, we cannot discuss personnel concerns in a public meeting. If you have any concerns with school district personnel, please schedule a meeting with the Superintendent.
4.0	SHOWCASING OF SCHOOLS 4.1 Administrator Reports
5.0	BUSINESS REPORTS 5.1 Superintendent Jim Helmen 5.1.1 Strategic Plan Update 5.1.2 Calendar Update 5.2 Financial Marie Knight 5.2.1 Budget Committee Meeting Calendar 5.3 Maintenance Mark Brown
6.0	BOARD REPORTS / BOARD DEVELOPMENT

7.0 OTHER INFORMATION and DISCUSSION

7.1 Licensed and Administrative Staff Contract RenewalJim Helmen
 7.2 Integrated Guidance – 2nd Reading......Jim Helmen

6.1.2 Scholarship Committee - fundraising discussion

7.3 Staffing Update – New Hire / Resignation......Jim Helmen

8.0 ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Out of State Travel

I move to approve out of State Travel for a high school Germany Trip and Senior Trip to Disneyland and 8th Grade DC Trip for the 2023-24 school year.

8.2 2022-23 Calendar Adjustment

I move to approve the revised 2022-23 instructional calendar as presented.

8.3 Budget Committee Meeting Calendar

I move to approve the Budget Committee meeting calendar as presented.

8.4 Licensed and Administrative Staff Contract Renewal

I move to approve Administrative Contract Extension resolution #2023-02 and Licensed Staff Extension resolution #2023-03 as presented.

8.5 Integrated Guidance

I move to approve the Integrated Guidance document as presented.

8.6 New Hire

I move to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to hire Lita Blodgett as K-12 Structured Learning Center teacher.

8.7 Resignation

I move to accept the resignation of MS/HS Band/Music Teacher Megan Peterson effective April 14, 2023.

10.0 CONSENT AGENDAChair

The Board, on an individual basis prior to the meeting, has reviewed all material. All financial reports are available for review by the public in the business office. All items listed are considered by the Board to be routine and will be enacted by the Board in one motion. There will be no discussion of these items at the time the board votes on the motion unless members of the Board request specific items to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Agenda.

10.1 Minutes of the 02/09/23 Regular Meeting and the 02/17/23 Special Meeting.

I move to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- **11.0** <u>RECESS to EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> under O.R.S. 192.660 (2) (i) "to review and evaluate the performance of the chief executive officer or any other public officer, employee or staff member..."
- 12.0 RETURN to REGULAR SESSION
- 13.0 ACTION ITEM

13.1 Superintendent Annual Evaluation

I move to approve the 2022-23 annual evaluation of Superintendent Jim Helmen as discussed.

14.0 OTHER ISSUES Chair

14.1 Agenda Setting Meeting for Next Month

15.0 ADJOURNChair

UPCOMING DATES

(Dates and times are subject to change. Please check the district web site at www.vernoniak12.org for the most up-to-date information)

April 13, 2023

Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. – Mist

Vernonia School District 47J

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March 2023 VHS/VMS Board Report–

Greetings Board!

March's Board Report is primarily focused on what has transpired since the last meeting

German-

 "Germany 202." is on! Pending Board Approval, 5 students have signed up to join Ms. Keister for a trip to Germany

Theater Arts

 We started rehearsals for "The Servant of Two Masters." We are getting a set from a community member and will be reaching out for more involvement from any interested community members.

Clubs

The Magic the Gathering Club is starting next Wednesday and is open to all students 7-12. Mrs. Alexander purchased starter decks for the core group. We have also had donations and continue to request donations so that any student who needs a deck would not have to spend money. We are developing club rules for sportsmanship and collaborative skills and we will teach anyone who needs to learn. We have a president and a vice-president already and we will have other leadership positions available as well. We have Kait Eyrrick helping us in game play instruction and support.

Robotics

Getting ready for competition!!



Welding and CTE

- The Welding shop has 2 new Lincoln Electric 260 Magnum Pro MIG welders with optional Spool guns for welding Aluminum.
- \$11,000 worth of equipment provided by PACTEC!
- We are also waiting on the final phase of install/setup on our new Haas CNC Mill!

College and Career Readiness

Local scholarships are open as of March 1st and are due April 18th. We missed our field trip to the Future Careers in Forestry conference in Eugene but are set up for a visit to Rainier High School next Friday to have juniors go to the Oregon Public University College Fair. Juniors will also be able to take the student ASVAB on March 14th and there is a field trip for the mechatronics and chemistry classes in the next few weeks. High school students are working on career activities during their advisory class. For underclassmen this includes taking interest, skills, and value assessments and posting career options that fit the results in their digital portfolio. Seniors are working on their senior projects (due March 24th) and will be working on getting their resumes up on their digital portfolios at the end of this month

Academics

- MS Honorable Mention (GPA of 3.00-3.24
 - Abbygayle Morgan **Elijah Fergugson**Dayton Hurdsman
 - Ellzabeth Ornie**Iris Schram**Abbey Thorn**Steve Waldrop
- MS Honor (GPA 3.25-3.49)
 - Ayden Abbott**Michael Wheelock** Hayden Kofstad**Jonathan Swart

MS High Honors (GPA 3.50-3.99)

■ Joshua LaBelle**Bella Granucci** Koa Leininger** Cohen McManus**Brody Campo**Morgan Dennis**Layla Abbott**Julia Busch**Heston Forster**Nova Gleason**Taylor Leonetti**Caylee Llanos**Emma Swart**Kamryn Means

MS Principal's Honors (4.00 GPA)

■ Maika Borst** Makenlee Espinoza**Ethan Martin**Charlotte McIntyre**Jacob Roady**Charlotte Schlegel**Lorrie Shipley**Summer Wheelock

HS Honorable Mention (GPA of 3.00-3.24

■ Ayden Baronas**Nathaniel Curry**Gracie Turner**Eli Wood**Lila Eckert**Hansom Forster**Ethan Lanig**Jarryn Marine**Logan Morgan**Kaydence Roberson**Kaydence Thorn**Trinity Weber**Emiliano Carreno**Bella Morrison**Jesse White**Samantha Cole**Peter Hahn**Johnathan Sicard**Jade Smith**Remington Winningstad

HS Honor (GPA 3.25-3.49)

■ Sylar Navarro**Orran Peters**Emma Scheuerman**Arlon Shipley**Jack Riddell**Tara Thorn**Cameron Terry

HS High Honors (GPA 3.50-3.99)

■ Rydia Boyer**Zachary Franco**Marissa Naeve**Robyn
Naron**Hayden Rau**Campbell Zavales**Cannon McLeod**Ella
Schram**Beau Smith**Avery Wolf**Wyatt Woodall**Wyatt
Hartman**Paige Mendelsohn**Michael Sliwinski**Justin
Tong**Haylie Turner**Logan Wolf**Trevor Wolf**Allison
Cheadle**Grace Groshong**Jarren Joslin**Elijah
Leatherman**Marlene Lieblang**Eleanora Linkmann**Sacha
Masi**Clayton Matusak**David McCallum**Tyler Riddell**Torey
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HS Principal's Honors (4.00 GPA)

■ Addison Coburn**Momi Leininger**Ayla Wilcox**Johnathan Law**Peter Schram**Kortni Adams**Chloe Guiberson**Garrett Jones**Jessika Marine**Lynness Ota**Seth Scheuerman**Leecy Smith**

- Athletics
 - Basketball
 - **■** First Team All Defensive
 - Momi Leininger**Dave McCallum
 - Honorable Mention
 - Avery Wolf**Garrett Jones
 - 3rd Team All League
 - Logan Wolf
 - 2nd Team All League
 - Dave McCallum
 - 1st Team All League and District Player of the Year (POY!)
 - Kaydence Roberson**Dave McCallum
 - Wrestling-District Place Winners-HS
 - 5th Place-Ethan Lanig
 - 4th Place-Cannon McLeod**Isaiah Naeve
 - 1st Place-District Champ!-Trevor Wolf
 - Wrestling District-MS
 - 5th Place-Wyatt Dennis**Brandon Strack
 - 4th Place-Brody Campo
 - 3rd Place-Ethan Martin**Koa Leininger
 - 1st Place-Logan Vaughn

HAVE A GREAT WEEK LOGGER NATION!



"Building Bridges, Clearing Paths"

VERNONIA AND MIST ELEMENTARY BOARD REPORT

February 9, 2023



"Building Bridges, Clearing Paths"

Student of the Month Assemblies

Congratulations to our November Student of the Month students.

- Lucas Ellis- Mrs. Ash (Kindergarten)
- Jamile Ward- Ms. Wall (Kindergarten)
- Emma Martell- Mrs. Myatt (1st Grade)
- Isabell Cameron- Ms. Stavens (1st Grade)
- Taylor LaBelle- Ms. Adkins (2nd Grade)
- Javon Ward- Ms. Adkins (2nd Grade)
- Mael Schaefer- Ms. Roberts (3rd Grade)
- David Getsinger-Hahn- Mrs. McLeod (3rd Grade)
- Kristina McGuire- Mrs. MacDonald (4th Grade)
- Holden Swayze- Miss Johnston (4th Grade)
- Myles Milstien- Mr. Falkowski (5th Grade)
- Jasper Mitchell- Mr. Hunt (5th Grade)
- Barett Mohn- Mr. James
- Jasper Budge- Mrs. Avy (K-2 Mist)
- Leih Nelson- Mrs. Wilmoth (3rd-5th Grade Mist)

PLCs (Professional Learning Communities)

Our PLCs have been diving into Schmoker's Book <u>Focus</u> and focusing on what we teach and rigor (Depth of Knowledge) to move student learning forward.

School Culture

During the Week of March 1st, many of our elementary classrooms celebrated Read Across America Week by wearing pajamas to school and celebrating their love for reading.

Ms. Stavens first grade class celebrated with green eggs and ham for snack on Thursday.



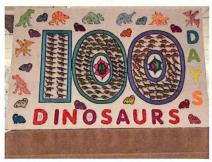
Ms. Johnston's class made bookmarks for Read Across America Week.

Ms. Stavens and Mrs. Myatt's first grade classes also celebrated the 100th day of school on Tuesday, March 7th. As part of their celebration, students created a poster using 100 items.











Mrs. MacDonald's fourth grade class made bookmarks for our bus drivers for Bus Driver Appreciation Day.

Ms. Wall's kindergarten class performed a talent show on the stage as part of their SEL lesson last week. The students were excited to share their talents with their classmates.

This week is Classified Appreciation Week and our students and staff have been celebrating our classified staff throughout the week. Thank you to our amazing classified staff for supporting our students, staff and community! They go above and beyond every day to make our students feel welcome and supported! Thank you Classified Staff!

Family Engagement Event

Thank you to our students, families, board members, staff and community for engaging with us to support our students. It was an outstanding evening "Building Bridges, Clearing Paths".

Vernonia Schools Board Report Rachel Wilson - Vice-principal March 2023

UPDATES:

- 1. DATA (see attached): NOTE Referral data does not include VFA
 - a. Elementary graphic = Students: 67 Referrals: 287
 - i. Mist/Vernonia Total enrollment = 224
 - b. Middle School graphic = Students: 33 Referrals: 99
 - i. Total enrollment = 95
 - c. High School = Students: 33 Referrals: 52
 - i. Total enrollment = 137

2. Attendance:

- a. Scheduled to attend upcoming sessions with Attendance Team w/NWRESD:
 - i. District and School Attendance Policies
 - ii. Using Data Effectively for School Attendance Teams
- b. No update: Elementary has started an Attendance team to address elementary needs.
- c. Looking forward to comparing data from pre/post Reengagement event attendance presentation

3. Positive Referral System/Recognition: TBD

a. NO update at this time (Consider: Synergy data as all goes through Synergy).

4. Safety Committee involvement:

- a. Next drill is a SHELTER drill (earthquake) scheduled for March 7 @ 8:30 am.
- b. **STILL** No Update: The Behavioral Safety Assessment team is planning to meet before the end of the month (Justin Ward, Pete Weisel, Jamie Hamsa, Rachel Wilson).
 - i. Initial meeting will review what members learned at the trainings and make plans to move forward with the resources provided)

5. Student Handbook update:

a. **STILL** Working on updating Synergy Incident Referral codes to sync with handbook; ongoing (chicken and egg ordeal).

6. School Culture and Climate:

a. May not be able to attend as at school duties interfere with the schedule. I signed

up but continue to opt out due to pressing on campus needs.

7. Tier 3 Classroom (elementary):

- a. Tier 3 classroom continues to provide a valuable resources for our students
 - i. Allows traditional classroom teachers to focus on Tier 2 behaviors so they do not escalate to Tier 3 behaviors as evidenced by DRASTIC reduction in radio calls for classroom assistance.
 - ii. Behaviors overall and need for *out of classroom* interventions have drastically reduced.

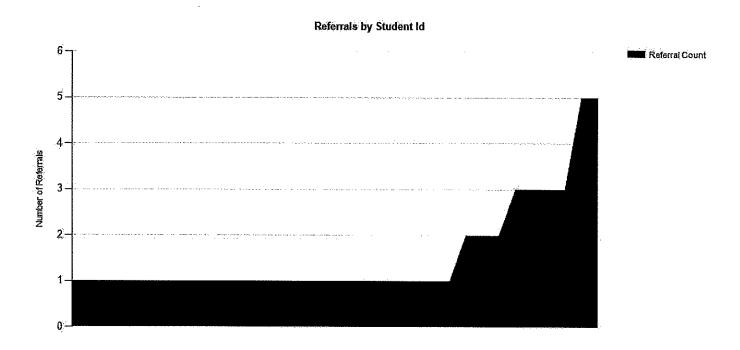
8. Opportunity Room II

- a. Justin Ward continues to support MS/HS students with behavioral needs as well as:
 - i. Houses and supports ISP (Independent Study Program) students
 - ii. Develops and provides instruction for Alternative Education Program from individual classes to entire course offerings.
 - iii. Supports VFA students, as needed, when they transition back to main campus
 - iv. Supports out of class placement for students as needed be it period only or ISS
- b. Victoria Leonetti, IA, supports ORII for a portion of the day as well as runs lunch and after school detention.

9. Q&A:

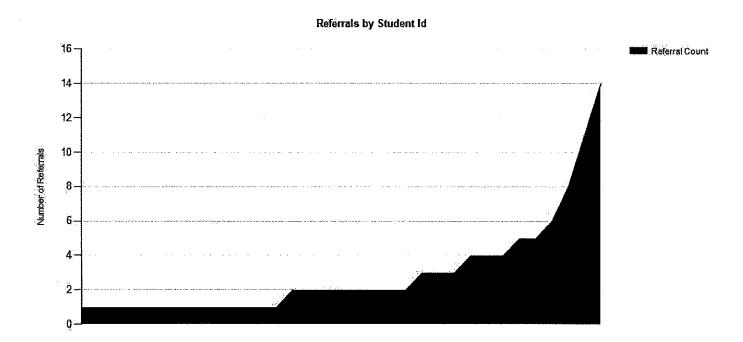
High School Graphic

Students: 33 / Referrals: 52



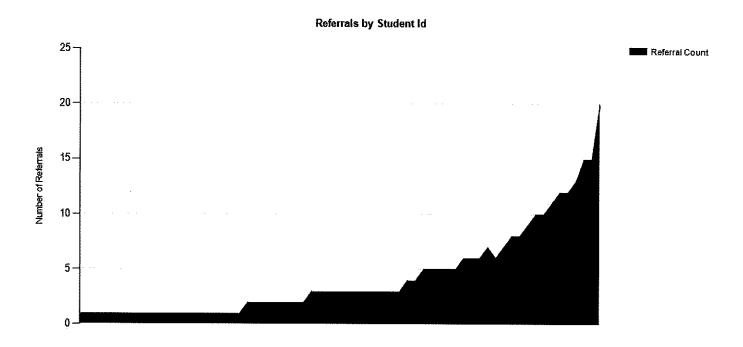
Middle School Graphic

Students: 33 / Referrals: 99



Elementary Graphic

Students: 67 / Referrals: 287



With the long weekends and unexpected snow days that have happened since last month's report, some class activities have been postponed. A field trip for VHS special education students will be rescheduled later this month. Students will visit JoAnn's craft store to purchase supplies for their sewing projects. They have been learning how to plan out craft projects, determine materials needed, and budget accordingly. They are also planning to stop at Taco Bell for lunch, which might be the most exciting part. Students have already picked out their favorite menu items, and determined what they can afford to order based on their personal spending budget. Despite looking forward to this trip when it was originally planned, they have been very patient with the weather and the need to reschedule soon. Other student projects are picking up where they left off last month as well. Students continue to prepare to reopen the coffee cart, and are working diligently toward their OR food handler's cards.

VMS/VHS Special Education Teacher, Caroline Alexander, is starting a new Magic The Gathering student club. Any interested students, grades 7-12 can join, and there's already a core group of students who are willing to teach newbies how to play. Caroline gathered donated cards, 20-sided dice, and protective card sleeves for the kids to use. The club offers a new opportunity for students to socialize while playing the interactive, fantasy-based, strategy game. The club will meet on Wednesdays, 3:00-4:15 in Ms. Alexander's classroom.

Our special education team is very happy to welcome Lita Blodgett as the new Structured Learning Center teacher. Lita will take over the SLC classroom for all grades, K-12, as well as transition programming for 18-21 year-old students. Lita has been working for the Northwest Regional ESD in the preschool program supporting young children with special needs. She has always dreamed of being a teacher, and our team is excited to support her as she begins her teaching career.



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Classified School Employees Week is March 7-11!

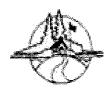
Classified employees are the backbone of the Vernonia School District. They work directly with our students, educators, parents, volunteers, business partners, and community members. They are pivotal to the smooth operation of our offices, the safety and maintenance of buildings and property, healthy nutrition, and direct instruction of students. Regardless of the task, they show up and step up in ways people never see. They give their all daily to our students, staff, and families- no matter the time commitment or difficulty.

Please take a minute to thank our classified staff for being a fundamental component of student success. They are essential to making our district great.

State School Funding (Outlook)

The State of Oregon Budget proposal

- The State School Fund outlook is \$9.9 billion. VSD is developing our budget message and planning around the current SSF of \$9.9 billion, with some contingencies with SSF allocation increases.
- COSA and our K-12 funding advocacy partners continue to strongly advocate for a \$10.3 billion State School Fund appropriation. While the Legislature has additional resources to spend, there is pressure (and demonstrated need) for state leaders to make significant investments to address homelessness and housing, mental health, addiction, and other critical funding needs facing Oregon; there will still not be enough resources to meet all the requested investments.
- Based on the general fund revenue and expenditure forecast, we are projecting a budget shortfall for the 23-24 school year.
- It is anticipated that elementary summer learning funds may be available for districts at a possible 50% match. Districts have been required to match funds at 25% for the previous two years.



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- This will negatively impact the secondary credit recovery and summer learning options we have provided our students for the last two years.
- In anticipation of this lack of credit recovery services in the summer, we have purchased the Odyseeware credit recovery online program for identified students who need to be on track to graduate.
 - The program purchase was \$10,000, but through a grant application, VSD paid \$2,500.

Staff contracts for the 23-24 school year.

- K-12 Administrator and certified teacher recommendation renewals are provided.
- ORS 342.840 Determination of length of service for a probationary teacher. We have two
 teachers who, based on the number of days they taught in 21-22, which was less than
 135 in a calendar year, will maintain 1st-year probationary status.
- We currently have three teacher openings for the 23-24 school year.
 - Secondary Choir and Music
 - Secondary PE
 - Elementary Tier III
- We have hired a K-12 Life Skills teacher. We are excited to have her onboard.

Integrated Guidance

Our district's ODE Integrated Guidance plan is complete. The IG plan focuses on consolidating SIA, SSA, and EIIS grant funds and programming. The plan also provides 5-year growth targets based on reach targets of the state's top 10% of performing districts.

Growth Target areas:

- 4-year graduation rates
- 5-year completion
- 3rd grade ELA (SBAC)
- 9th Grade on Track
- Regular Attendance



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Changes to First Reading:

- On 2/27/23, we received updated five-year trend data on "Combined Focia Groups" and have updated our five-year projections only for the Combined Focal Group- previously listed as "Special education."
 - This combined focal student group is the basis for Gap-closing Targets in the LPGTs. Students are included in this group if they are a member of any of the following: Students Navigating Poverty (as newly defined using the State Board of Education adoption in December 2022 in OAR 581-014-001 using SNAP or TANF participation), Students Navigating Homelessness, Students Navigating Foster Care, Migrant Students, Students with Disabilities, Emerging Bilingual Students, American Indian/ Alaska Native Students, Black/ African American Students, Hispanic/Latina/o/x Students, Native Hawaiian /Pacific Islander Students, Asian Students, Multiracial Students, Nonbinary Students, Students Recently Arrived, and Students with Experience of Incarceration or Detention.

Community Re-engagement Night

- On March 1, 2023, from 5:00 pm 7:00 pm, we held our community-comprehensive family re-engagement event at VSD schools commons. The focus is to continue the conversation on the importance of attendance, student engagement, and community involvement in supporting the district in meeting our 70-70-90 goal.
 - Attendance: we had over 350 people attend.
 - We received valuable feedback from 34 families on how to support engagement in school which we will utilize as we make educational system adjustments.
 - Feedback was overwhelmingly positive regarding the following:
 - District's communication efforts
 - Districts community/family engagement efforts (day-to-day events)

Effective changes in instructional, behavior, and staff/ student cultural systems.

Focus areas (summarized from the feedback list)

- Individual grade/class contests
- Daily communication with families regarding attendance
- Increase rigor in reading



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- Before or after-school Care
- No cell phone in school
- Late starts, "Like last year."

**One of the components of the re-engagement night was the recruitment of substitutes and teachers to our district. Thank you to Juliet Safier for coming up with this idea and facilitating it at the event. Since the events, two community members have come forward wanting to sub for our district. This will have a positive impact on our culture and support for our students.

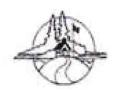
- Attendance trends in the last five years have significantly declined. Attendance is one of the leading factors in student achievement.
- We are partnering with the NWRESD and are part of their attendance consortium.
 - This program will program VSD with attendance resources and guidance.
- ** A huge thank you to Barb Carr for facilitating the event. She did an incredible job.
- ** Also, thank our school board, kitchen staff, and district staff for supporting us.

Continuous Improvement Plan: Areas of Focus

- Academics
- Attendance
- Behavior
- Career Technical Education
- Social Emotional Learning

Focus: meet our district's 5-year goal of 70-70-90:

- 70% of our students "Meeting" the state benchmark for ELA
- 70% of our students "Meeting" state benchmark for Math
- 90% of our K-12 students attending school 90% of the time or more (Students missing less than 17 days in a school year- excused or unexcused.)



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Our school district staff are working to provide each student with the best possible educational options.

Care Solace Partnership

- Through feedback from VSD mental health/psychology staff regarding the number of students requesting mental health services and VSD needing more resources to manage the requests, we have decided to partner with Care Solace.
- Care Solace is a mental health care coordination service for K-12 school districts.

That helps school districts provide wraparound support for students, staff members, and family members needing mental health or medical services.

- CS helps families find local service providers, complete paperwork, and schedule.
- CS also supports all families with service care coverage, including private insurance,
 Medicaid, and sliding scale options for those without insurance.
- CSD will work directly with our school counselor and mental health providers to provide support. CS also has a portal for families to connect directly to service Care support through the school district.
- Thank you to Dr. Jen Cooper, our school psychologist, for bringing these options to VSD and facilitating the process.
- In the coming weeks, we will set up a Care Solace training for staff and families.

For more information, please visit https://www.caresolace.org/services/k12-education

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2022-23 Instructional Calendar - Updated 3/9/2023

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25 No School-Staff PD

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August

8-19 Kindercamp

23 VHS Registration

25 VMS Registration

25 New Staff Orientation

26 New Staff Classroom Work Day

29-31 Staff Inservice

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1 Staff Inservice/Meet the Family K-12

2 Staff Inservice/Work Day (1/2) Day

5 Labor Day

6 School Begins K-12

28 No School-Staff PD

October

7 No School-State Wide Inservice 26 No School-Staff PD

November

4 End of Q1

7 No School Teacher Work Day 8-9 Early Release PM Conferences

9 No Late Arrival

10 No School Trade Day

11 No School Veteran's Day

21-25 No School - Thanksgiving

December

1 Weather Closure

19-30 No School - Winter Break

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Vernonia School District 47J

To:

Vernonia School District Board of Directors, Superintendent Jim Helmen

From:

Marie Knight

Date:

3/9/2023

Re:

March 2023 Financial Information

Comments:

Auditors are finishing up the 2021-2022 financial audit this month, it will be ready to present next month at the April board meeting.

Jim and I are continuing work on the 2023-2024 budget. We recently received updated state school fund estimates for the current year as well as estimates for 2023-2024. This is important inforamtion for us to create the most accurate budget possible.

In February we attended the Oregon Association of School Business Officials Budget Symposium event. This was a great opportunity provided for school superintendents and business officials to learn budgeting strategies as well as recieve information about grants, federal funding, and upcoming changes.

The financial report included in your packet has been updated to reflect current revenue and expense estimates through 6/30/2023.

As always, please contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks!

-Marie Knight

Business Manager, Vernonia School District 47J

VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT 47J FUND 100 (GENERAL FUND) 2022-2023

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2023 - 2024 BUDGET CALENDAR

March 16, 2023	Publish Budget Committee Meeting – 1st notice	notice
April 6, 2023	Publish Budget Committee Meeting – 2 nd notice	nd notice
April 20, 2023	Budget Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m
May 11, 2023	Budget Committee Meeting School Board Meeting	6:00 p.m
June 1, 2023	Publish Budget Hearing Notice	
June 8, 2023	Public Hearing and Adoption of Budget 6:00 p.m. as approved by budget committee School Board Meeting	6:00 p.m.

March 2023 Maintenance Report

Alarm Related Calls:

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Facility Use:

SPring sports, Coaches meetings, Boosters, assemblies. Two large events in our commons one for teh school, one for a private party

Projects/Work for the Month

- *Mist monthly maintenance:
- *Softball field update: Waiting on weather and tractor repair.
- *Burg and fire alarms are set for installation on the 27th of March
- *Board report.
- * District office: Meeting with Dan today 3/1/23 to go over start day. The weather have been an issue
- *Programming and key setup for more new staff or changes.
- *Install batting cage in big gym
- *Install new TV's and mounts in Elementary principals office and high school conference room
- *Sanded and painted bathroom stall to cover graffiti in blue hall boys bathroom this time.
- *Meeting with county inspectors to go over some old permits. We are all set on this.
- **Changed water filter in high school wing, ordered new replacement filters.
- *Another fuel delivery for the biomass, this cold weather has required an extra delivery this year.
- *repaired/replaced cooling fans in walk in freezer 1
- *Installed cages over the lights in the Mist again and repaired broken door closures.
- *Inspect basket mechanism in the big gym. I will need to order parts and a lift. Basketball season is over so we will not need to use that basket.
- *Repair urinal divider in boys bathroom red hall
- * repair hs urinal divider yellow hall
- *Sand graffiti of boys bathroom stall in blue bathroom, prep for paint
- *Lots of snow removal and weather related work.
- *Organize gym storage area
- *Repaired crash bars on Mist gym doors
- *support cage that covers light in Mist gym
- *Worked with a contractor for D.O. enclosure
- *Extra custodial coverage (one out for a week)
- *New hire card and security programing
- *Doing the best we can to prepare for spring sports outside with current weather conditions.
- *deep clean and inspect bleachers in the big gym
- *Replace broken clock in 137
- *Burned, burn pile
- *Extra work on gas boiler to fire

Weekly/Monthly

- *Equipment repair: regular maintenance weekly
- *AED inspections and testing
- *Generator quarterly maintenance and testing.
- *The lighting and security schedule changed about once a month as times change
- *Shop work
- *Custodial meetings
- *deliver lunches to mist daily
- *IPM inspections
- *Inspect roof units (weekly)
- *Fire extinguisher inspection (Monthly)
- *Generator testing (monthly)
- *Playground inspections (Monthly)
- *Paperwork (weekly)
- *weekly biomass maintenance during winter months

Miscellaneous:

I check facilities/systems, check emails and handle miscellaneous or minor repairs. The remainder of the day I try to get caught up on any maintenance/grounds items and or assist staff, students and admin with day to day needs that arise. Along with ordering, reports and follow ups with customers and suppliers. Weekly/monthly /facility inspections.

Vandalism:

We have many light fixtures in the boys locker room that have been broken and damaged. This may have been over a period of time as they have holes in them and may not have been seen immediately.

Increase in damage to bathroom dividers, stalls and graffiti.

Thank you

Mark Brown

Facility/Maintenance/Grounds Supervisor/IPM Coordinator

Vernonia School District

971-297-6403

MEETING MINUTES

VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD of DIRECTORS Regular Meeting – February 9, 2023

Vernonia Schools, 1000 Missouri Avenue, Vernonia, OR 97064

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER:** A Regular Meeting of the Directors of Administrative School District 47J, Columbia County, Oregon was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Stacey Pelster, Chair.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Board Present: Stacey Pelster, Susan Wagner, Greg Kintz, Amy Cieloha, Joanie Jones, Scott BOARD PRESENT Rickard, and Javoss McGuire.

Board Absent: None

BOARD ABSENT

Staff Present: Jim Helmen, Superintendent; Michelle Eagleson, Elementary Principal; Rachel Wilson, K-12 Vice Principal; Marie Knight, Business Manager; Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant; Mark Brown, Maintenance Supervisor, Kendra Schlegel, Licensed Staff and Camrin Eyrrick, Classified Staff (virtually).

STAFF PRESENT

Visitors Present: Scott Laird

VISITORS PRESENT

1.1 The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2.0 AGENDA REVIEW: Susan Wagner moved to approve the agenda as presented. Javoss McGuire AGENDA REVIEW seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Susan Wagner amended her motion to approve the agenda as amended (adding minutes of Workshop 01/19/2023 to item 10.1). Javoss McGuire seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA and NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None 3.0

PUBLIC COMMENT

SHOWCASING OF SCHOOLS: 4.0

4.1 Administrator Reports: The Board reviewed the administrative reports prior to the ADMINISTRATOR meeting.

REPORTS

Amy Cieloha inquired about the return of the elementary Bee Bucks program? According to Mrs. Eagleson, discussion has taken place about bringing back that program in the future. The Golden Awards have just started back up.

Rachel Wilson shared some information on the Menstrual Dignity Act. She stated that products are running out due to not having enough staff time to handle the refills. Len Hamilton, the school nurse, is willing to take over the refilling task but he is not available yet. Comments were made about the vandalism to this program, and Jim Helmen shared that more education is needed. He does not believe the District has exhausted all options for education.

5.0 **BUSINESS REPORTS:**

Superintendent Report: Jim Helmen's report is provided to the Board prior to the meeting. 5.1 There were no questions from the Board.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Mr. Helmen presented his work from the past three months, putting together the Integrated Guidance Plan required by ODE. This plan consolidates the SIA and high school success grants. This plan is presented as a draft and satisfies the requirement to have an initial reading. A secondary reading and approval will occur at a future meeting.

INTEGRATED GUIDANCE DOCUMENT 1st READING

This document represents a great deal of time and work nd Mr. Helmen feels it is valuable. The community surveys, community forums, thought exchange, data team, diving deep into where our district is and planning for the next two years, has proven to be a valuable process.

Areas of the document were highlighted:

Growth Goals: primary indicators of state report cards are reviewed and targets are identified. Equity Advanced – evaluation of every component of the district

02/09/23 1-3 Engaged Community – creative ways to get parents into the school. Integrated Guidance Fiscal Planning –looked at State projections for next year and compare to what we paying for with the grant funds. Does this align with the District's priorities? Artifacts – evidence of data

The Integrated Guidance Plan will be presented at the March School Board meeting for a second reading and subsequent vote.

5.1.1 Strategic Plan Update: Nothing specific to the Strategic Plan was shared.

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

5.1.2 Calendar Update: The current school year calendar has three snow days embedded within the calendar. The District was closed in December due to weather therefore the first of the three potential snow make-up days, March 3rd, will now be a regular school day.

POTENTIAL SNOW DAY CHANGED TO REGULAR SCHOOL DAY ON CALENDAR

5.2 Financial Report: Marie Knight's report was provided to the Board prior to the meeting. Marie shared that the District financial audit for last year is nearing the end. She is hoping to present the audit at the March Board meeting. Currently work is underway on the budget and the beginning set up for next school year.

FINANCIAL REPORT

5.2.1 Upcoming Budget Mtg. Process / Draft Calendar: Marie Knight shared a draft budget committee meeting calendar. The layout and timeline of the calendar works well and the dates were rolled forward. The calendar will be presented in March for adoption.

BUDGET PROCESS & MTG CALENDAR DRAFT REVIEWED

Marie also shared that she has entered all board members into the government ethics reporting system. An email was sent to the Board with instructions and a link to the site. Each board members needs to log on and set up a personal profile before March 15th. On March 15th another email will be sent letting you know that it is time to go in and complete your ethics / financial reporting. This must be completed by April 15th and if not, fines will be assessed. \$10.00 per day for 14 days then the fine increases to \$50.00 per day.

GOVERNMENT ETHICS REPORTING REQUIRED FOR ALL BOARD MEMBERS

Maintenance Report: Mark Brown's report was provided to the Board prior to the meeting. There were no questions from the Board.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

5.3.1 New IPM Coordinator: Mark Brown shared that the IPM coordinator duty is transferring from him to another staff member. Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is a requirement of the State that regulates and limits the amount of pesticide focused prevention. The Board approved the District's IPM Plan therefore Mark wanted to inform the Board of the change in oversight. The new coordinator will take over effective July 1st.

IPM COORDINATOR TO CHANGE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023.

6.0 BOARD REPORTS/ BOARD DEVELOPMENT:

6.1 Committee Reports:

6.1.1 Policy Committee – The committee scheduled their next meeting on Feb. 21st.

BOARD REPORTS COMMITTEE UPDATES

6.2 Superintendent Evaluation: Board members need to return their personal comments to Barb Carr. A Special Meeting is scheduled for February 16th at 6:00 p.m. At this meeting, the Board will work collectively to review all comments and come up with a single voice response. Mr. Helmen's evaluation will be presented at the March 9th board meeting.

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SUPT EVALUATION PROCESS REVIEWED

7.0 OTHER INFORMATION and DISCUSSION

7.1 Policy Updates -2^{nd} Reading: The following policies were presented for approval.

AC - Nondiscrimination

AC-AR – Discrimination Complaint Procedure

BBAA - Individual Board Member's Authority and Responsibilities

BD/BDA - Board Meetings

BDDH - Public Comment at Board Meetings

BDDH-AR – Public Comment at Board Meetings

CM - Compliance and Reporting on Standards

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POLICIES PRESENTED FOR SECOND READING

DJC - Bidding Requirements

GBA – Equal Employment Opportunity

GBEA - Workplace Harassment

GBNA-AR - Hazing, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Menacing, or Cyberbullying

Reporting Procedures - Staff

GBNAA/JHFF - Suspected Sexual Conduct with Student and Reporting Requirements

GBNAA/JHFF-AR - Suspected Sexual Conduct Report Procedures and Forms

GBNAB/JHFE – Suspected Abuse of a Child Reporting Requirements

GBNAB-JHFE-AR - Reporting of Suspected Abuse of a Child

IA/IAA - Instructional Goals

1B - Freedom of Expression

IGBHA - Alternative Education Programs

IGBHA-AR – Evaluation of Alternative Education Programs

IGBI - Bilingual Education

IIA – Instructional Resources / Instructional Materials

IJ - School Counseling Program

7.2 Student Transfer Limits for 2022-23: Jim Helmen explained that this is done annually and historically the number of students transferring into Vernoina has been established at 3 students per grade.

STUDENT TRANSFER **LIMITS FOR 2022-23** DISCUSSED

7.3 Licensed Staff Contract Renewal for 2022-23: Jim Helmen indicated that at the next meeting Administrators will be presenting their recommendations for contract renewal.

NOTIFICATION OF LICENSED CONTRACT **EXTENSIONS**

NWRESD Local Service Plan: Jim Helmen shared NWRESD's benefits and services the 7.4 Vernonia School District takes advantage of as well as the cost for those services. As a small school district we rely on the ability to share services with other school districts. The presented Local Service Plan identifies the services available to Vernonia for the next school year. Mr. Helmen recommends approval.

NWRESD LOCAL SERVICE PLAN SHARED

7.5 ODE Integrated Guidance 1st Reading: This information was presented during the Superintendent Report (item 5.1) earlier in the meeting.

ODE INTEGRATED GUIDANCE 1st READING

ACTION ITEMS 8.0

Policy Updates Approval: Susan Wagner moved to approve the policy updates as amended POLICIES APPROVED in discussion item 7.2. Amy Cieloha seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

8.2 Student Transfer Limits for 2022-23: Susan Wagner moved to approve the incoming transfer limits for the 2023-24 school year at 3 per grade. Scott Rickard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

TRANSFER LIMITS FOR 2023-24 SET

8.3 NWRESD Local Service Plan: Greg Kintz moved to approve the NWRESD Local Service Plan as shared. Joanie Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

NWRESD LOCAL SERVICE PLAN APPROVED++++

9.0 MONITORING BOARD PERFORMANCE:

Greg Kintz shared that he is looking into visiting other district CTE programs. Clackamas Community College is offering coursework in March that would be advantageous to our forestry and sawmill program.

MONITORING BOARD **PERFORMANCE**

CONSENT AGENDA: 10.0

CONSENT AGENDA

10.1 Minutes of 01/12/23 Regular Meeting and 01/19/23 Workshop **MINUTES**

Greg Kintz moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. Scott Rickard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

11.0 OTHER ISSUES:

OTHER ISSUES

Agenda setting meeting next month will be Stacey Pelster and Amy Cieloha.

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February 22, 2023 the District is holding a Re-Engagement Night for our families. Dinner will be provided along with door prizes and a discussion on the importance of attendance. Proceeds from the Re-Engagement grant the District received will support this event.

Scott Rickard asked that discussion on a potential Scholarship Committee fundraiser be added to the March meeting agenda.

12.0 M	EETING	ADJO	URNED	at 7:18	p.m.
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ADJOURNED

Submitted by Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and Board	of Directors
Board Chair	District Clerk

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MEETING MINUTES

VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD of DIRECTORS Special Meeting – February 17, 2023 Vernonia Schools, 1000 Missouri Avenue, Vernonia

 CALL TO ORDER: A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of Vernonia School District 47J, Columbia County, Oregon was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Stacey Pelster. 	MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
Board Present: Stacey Pelster, Greg Kintz, Joanie Jones, Javoss McGuire, Amy Cieloha and Scott Rickard (joined by phone)	BOARD PRESENT
Board Absent: Susan Wagner	BOARD ABSENT
Staff Present: Jim Helmen, Superintendent; Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant.	STAFF PRESENT
Visitors Present: None. 2. RECESSED to EXECUTIVE SESSION under ORS 192.660 (2) (i) at 6:02 p.m. Jim Helmen reviewed his goals for this year and highlighted the goals met. He presented his self-evaluation for the board to review and then exited the meeting.	VISITORS PRESENT RECESSED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
The board reviewed the summary of comments received and prepped by chair Stacy Pelster. Board members worked to form a unified response to the 8 Standards.	SUPT. EVALUATION DISCUSSION
3. RECONVENED to REGULAR SESSION at 8:15 p.m.	
4. ADJOURNED: Special Meeting adjourned at 8:20p. m.	ADJOURNED

District Clerk

Board Chair