

**Rainier School District #13**  
**Minutes**  
Rainier School District Boardroom

**Regular Board Meeting**  
February 6, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

**Present:** Mr. Harding, Mrs. Hendrickson, Dr. Placido, Mr. Schimmel, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Usher, Mr. Hisey (arrived at 6:32 p.m.)

**I. Preliminary Matters**

**A.** Call Meeting to Order at 6:30 p.m.

**B.** Pledge of Allegiance

**C.** Welcome Statement

- The Board welcomes visitors to our meetings, and values comments from district patrons that improve the quality of education for students. The Board, at their discretion, will recognize comments from the audience with a completed comment form submitted to our board secretary prior to our public comment section of the agenda. We must require, however, that complaints be directed through the administration for resolution. Comments made during this session must be free of abusive language, personal attacks on district personnel, and not directed towards any department. We also ask that presentations be limited to (3) minutes. Thank you for joining us tonight.

**D.** Approve Agenda

Dr. Placido motioned to approve agenda as presented, seconded by Mrs. Richardson

**Discussion: None**

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Hendrickson	x	
Dr. Placido	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Hisey	absent	
Mrs. Usher	x	

**II. Reports**

**A.** Superintendent Report, Dr. Hattrick: Written report provided

- ESSER II & III Update: Written report provided
  - ESSER I has expired
  - ESSER II must be expensed by June of 2023

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- ESSER III must be expensed by June of 2024
- HPE Gym Update, Steps taken and status, requesting RFP
- Rainier Graduation Rate, we passed the county average as well as state with 89%
- Governor Proposed Budget of \$9.9 billion state school fund, which gives us hope of as we are advocating for \$10.3 billion, also hoping summer funds return
- COVID: OAR 333-019-1030 is still in place and requires all staff and volunteers to be vaccinated.
  - Exceptions may be granted by the Superintendent or designee
    - If exceptions granted we must take reasonable steps to ensure that unvaccinated school-based program staff and volunteers
  - The accommodations were agreed to by the district nurse and public health
  - We are removing weekly COVID test
- Job Fair: February 11, 2023 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. at HPE
- Bond Website is live and mailers are being sent out
- Honor Roll for semester 1 will be announced soon
- Public Service Announcement: Social Media is not official communication, if you see things or hear things you are concerned about please communicate with the school directly.

**Discussion:** HPE Gym was denied originally due to signed waivers during contracting. Graduation Rates, as a parent we keep being warned of low graduation rates. COVID info was confusing, masking within 6 feet for 15 minutes.

**B. Financial Report, Kevin Hansen:** Written report provided. We are up on revenue as well as expenses.

Transfers are at 100%, no more needed this year

- House Bill 4114, Statement of Economic Interest: Written one pager provided. Mr. Hansen will add you all into the system and you should receive an email from the government. This is the first year school boards have been required to do this.

**Discussion:** Say you're up for election in May, do you have to do this? Yes. Dr. Hattrick is happy to discuss and answer questions in 1:1 meetings.

**C. Rainier Jr/Sr High School SIP update, Principal Williams:**

- Girls Wrestling Districts were this last weekend
- Cheer Performance in Oregon City for State on February 11, 2023
- Men's district wrestling competition February 11, 2023 starting at 10am
- History Bowl took 2nd place this past weekend
- District Swimming this upcoming weekend
- Student Activities Funds: FAQ's and written info provided

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**Discussion:** Some safety equipment may not be required, does that fall under programs or school? Essentials should be provided by the district. Goal is to provide all required.

- School Improvement Plan: Written report provided
  1. Freshman on track to graduate: By June 15, 2023 82%
    - Progress monitoring at end of each quarter
    - Students will learn how to read a transcript and determine classes needed.
  2. Sophomores on track to graduate: By June 15, 2023 70%
    - Progress monitoring at end of each quarter
    - CARE team meetings
    - Student placement into credit recovery
  3. School Climate: Student attendance, especially tardies: By June 15, 2023 will reduce number of tardies by 20%
    - Communication about importance of attendance
    - Parent and Family contact regarding tardies and attendance
    - Accurate tracking of tardies
    - Incentives to encourage getting to class on time

On Track Data provided

- Class 2023, 49 students, 72% on track
- Class 2024, 47 students, 79% on track
- Class 2025, 53 students, 72% on track
- Class of 2026, 82 students, 75% on track

**Discussion:** Students and staff are working very hard to get there. We are recovering and we are in great shape here at Rainier as far as our scores go. Students do not like the iReady, so those scores are not as authentic as I'd like. Communication with parents of students not on track. Communication is the thing, we are not perfect at it, but the emphasis is that parents will know each year where their students are moving forward. What about seniors? The expectation is that the counselor and senior teachers are reaching out. The messages that are coming home, is that they are really behind and there may be a lot of them not graduating. Mr. Williams will talk to teachers about staying positive. Teachers are appreciated for the after school programming. As kids grow up and get older, by the time they are jr and sr they should be taking accountability on themselves, it's great that teachers reach out to parents, but are there any tools the school is using to facilitate student ownership? It's a fine line between accountability and enabling.

**III. Public Comment**

- A. *The Board may now recognize individuals who have submitted a completed public comment form.*

**None**

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Mr. Harding: We'll move to the consent agenda. I want to pull January 9, 2023 executive minutes and take it to executive session.

Dr. Placido motioned to approve the consent agenda with removal of executive minutes from January 9, 2023 seconded by Mr. Hisey

**Discussion:** Item A, January 9th regular minutes, primary motion to revise budget calendar and we had an amendment to the motion, but we only have one vote.

**Dr. Hattrick:** The minutes could be approved, but we could add an item tonight that we are ratifying that vote.

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Hendrickson	x	
Dr. Placido	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

**IV. Consent Agenda**

- A. Approve January 9, 2022 regular meeting minutes
- ~~B. Approve January 9, 2023 executive session minutes~~
- C. Approve January 23, 2023 work session minutes
- D. Approve January 23, 2023 executive session minutes
- E. Approve the hire of Amanda Stanton, RJSHS

**V. Items for Board Action**

- A. Local Service Plan, NWRESA; Dan Goldman, Superintendent, David Williams, Chief of Staff, Stacy Rager, and Tony Erickson, board member:
  - o Toni Erickson, Board Member Zone 4, which covers Clatskanie, Rainier, Beaverton, Jewell and others. Covers 20 school districts.
  - o Stacy Rager: 4 county area, vision is to see all students equipped....
    - i. Medicaid
    - ii. Competitive Grants
    - iii. Early Learning
    - iv. Instruction
    - v. Special Education
    - vi. Technology Support

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- Dan Goldman: This document is for the state school fund, 10 % stays at the ESD for operations, lights, parking etc., 25% goes to core services; technology, instruction and county allocations and then 75% goes out to the districts. Current plan is based on a \$9.5 billion budget.

**Discussion:** Procedure, every district approves the plan, but is it also weighted by size of district? All 20 superintendents have an equal vote. It gets trickier, every year we have to have  $\frac{2}{3}$  of school board approval to pass and it also has to make up at least 50% of the students. This is the big plan and then in April the district staff will select what services are needed and the NWRES D does the recruiting and hiring to provide those services. ESD has about 840 employees, probably 350 staff in early learning. Regional Inclusive, for instance we co-op an autism specialist to share across districts. There is a Satellite Office in St. Helens as well as others throughout our area.

**Dr. Hattrick:** On page 28 there is a resolution

Resolution 2302.06.01

Dr. Placido motioned to adopt Resolution 02.06.01, the 2023 - 2024 NWRES D Local Service Plan as presented, seconded by Mrs. Richardson

**Discussion:**

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Hendrickson	x	
Dr. Placido	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

B. Update on HPE Gym and RFP for remediation, Marlene Gillis: Written report provided.

- Add area drains, waterproof the base of the walls, this should solve the issues, we would like to go out to bid

**Discussion:** In observations of the floor, they removed the water about 2 ½ years ago, have you seen any water intrusions? Is there a floor person that can patch the floor so it can be used as a gym while we do the rest of the work? Yes, I believe so. Certa, the forensic expert did test and confirm that there is indeed moisture coming from the slab

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to the underside of the floor. The one year weight time is a very conservative timeframe. They believe we can put the floor back this summer. Hesitant to patch with safety of kids running on the floor. If this solves the issue, we'd have to come back and re-patch. We can look at a temporary solution. Soderstrom can look out for contractors and a temporary solution.

**Dr. Hattrick:** Expediting was a big concern, I personally would not recommend making repairs as we have seen the same damage twice. Addressing it with a fully intact drain should solve it and I would hate to waste precious money if it doesn't work having to spend again.

**Discussion:** If you don't fix the hole, how are you going to determine that it will hold? We don't have to replace the patch until we are confident in the repair. Scope of work, what is the chance that this work will not fix the problem? Earthwork outside the building, with the waterproofing and adding drain, tying downspouts into drain to keep water off that side of the building. We are doing our best guess. This is the least cost and most effective strategy. This doesn't work, then what?

**Dr. Hattrick:** Each time something doesn't work we go back to the drawing board.

**Discussion:** Is this once it's done we're done?

**Dr. Hattrick:** We are leaning on the experts, doing this work this way doesn't displace students and activities.

Mrs. Hendricks motioned to approve going out for an RFP for remediation on HPE Gym, seconded by Dr. Placido

**Discussion:** If we did everything, ripped up the floor, how significant is the cost?

**Dr. Hattrick:** It's significant.

**Discussion:** It seems like a pretty solid and logical approach with the least amount of impact to instructional time. Would like to see a patch to the floor prior to the drain. We live in Oregon, and it rains a lot. This is an excellent plan, getting drainage in. Thanks for all your work Marlene. The work would be done prior to the summer so that the floor would be repaired over the summer? Correct. The bid will come back to the board.

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Hendrickson	x	
Dr. Placido	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

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- C. Election Resolution for May 2023 Bond, Dr. Hattrick: Written resolution provided. This is the second read and would need a motion. This is for the election language and included in that is exhibit A, which includes the ballot title, caption, question and summary. It also authorizes district representatives to file on behalf of the board.

Dr. Placido motioned to approve the Election Resolution 23-0206.2, a Resolution of Rainier School District Number 13 Columbia County Bond Language, seconded by Mr. Hisey

**Discussion:** Fourth paragraph, general fund will be replenished from the bond? Yes and the official bond language will go on the bond website.

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Hendrickson	x	
Dr. Placido	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

- D. Hawkins, Delafield & Wood LLP, Engagement Letter for bond services, Dr. Hattrick: We incur no cost if the bond does not pass. She continues to work with us.

**Discussion:** She is doing the legal aspect, wrote the bond language? Yes, she read through the entire bond proposal and drafted the bond language from that.

Dr. Placido motioned to approve the letter of engagement with Hawkins, Delafield & Wood LLP, seconded by Mrs. Usher

**Discussion:** #5 fees and expenses is a set fee. Do we know what the fixed fee is? No. They are specific to the bond. Separate from our district legal counsel. Last sentence says fees will be negotiated at the time of engagement.

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Hendrickson	x	
Dr. Placido	x	

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Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

**E. Budget Calendar:** Ratifying the January 9, 2023 vote

Dr. Placido motioned to ratify the adoption of the Budget calendar for 2023 as presented from the January 9, 2023, seconded by Mrs. Hendricks

**Discussion:** Calendar is in Board packets, we can email it out as well.

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Hendrickson	x	
Dr. Placido	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

**VI. Information & Discussion**

- A.** Integrated Guidance, Dr. Hattrick: This is more of a reminder, I've included information in previous reports and I will be presenting it in March.
- B.** Bond Update

**Discussion:** Appreciate getting the bond website up and appreciate the brochure and the two community info sessions will be in the Auditorium on February 22 and March 9. People should reach out to the Board or myself for information. There is a PAC being assembled.

**Mr. Harding:** We're going to take a 5 minute break then go into executive session

**VII. Executive Session** entered at 8:23 p.m.

To review and evaluate the performance of the superintendent or any other public officer, employee or staff member, unless that person requests an open hearing. (ORS 192.660(2)(i))

**Returned to public session** at 9: 14 p.m.

**No decisions were made**



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**VIII. Future Agenda Items**

1. Student of the Month Program
2. House bill 790
3. Further Steps having a student member of board
4. Board Candidate forum
5. County didn't list elections for Rainier, it is fixed, error on page. Clatskanie Chief
6. March 16th file to run for Board

**IX. Board Comments**

**Mr. Hisey:** Feb 11th is a busy day, spaghetti feed fundraiser, congrats to lady wrestlers that made it to state!

**Mrs. Usher:** There will be Raffle Baskets on Feb 11th too

**Mr. Schimmel:** Good luck to all state participants, swimmers, wrestlers, cheerleaders, history. Lilly key is the 2nd girl in Rainier to ever qualify for state. Think about putting together meetings out in the communities, say at churches, senior center, granges, historical society, if we could come together to do that.

**Dr. Placido:** Ditto on all the congrats! Excited to see Honor Roll, I've met with folks in town and its nice to speak with them and we can learn a lot

**Mrs. Hendricks:** I Invite everybody to come to the district tournament Saturday, it'd be nice to see some board member faces.

**Mr. Harding:** Part 7: I make a motion to pass the executive minutes from January 9, 2023, seconded by Mr. Hisey

**Discussion: None**

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Hendrickson	x	
Dr. Placido	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

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**X. Next Meetings**

March 13, 2023 - Regular Meeting

March 27, 2023 - Work Session

April 10, 2023 - First Budget Committee Meeting

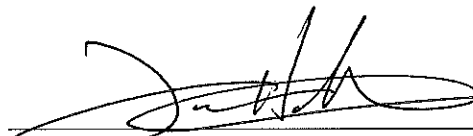
April 10, 2023 - Regular Meeting

Mr. Hisey motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Hendricks

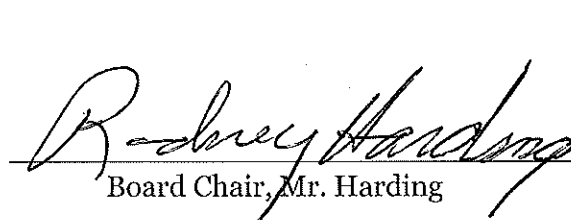
**Discussion: None**

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Hendrickson	x	
Dr. Placido	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

**XI. Meeting Adjourned 9:22 p.m.**

  
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Superintendent, Dr. Hattrick

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Board Chair, Mr. Harding

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