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Oak Run Elementary School District
Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
Minutes

Governance Team
Kansas Simonis, President
Dede Masala, Clerk
Candace Maurer, Member
Sean Kittrell, Member
Shawn Hill, Member

Agenda

Wednesday, December 13, 2023
4:00 PM
Oak Run Elementary School
27635 Oak Run to Fern Rd.
Oak Run, CA 96069
ORESD Office

Open Session

4:00 PM

1. OPENING BUSINESS @ 4:03pm

1.1. Call to Order

1.2. Roll Call / Establish Quorum

Kansas Simonis, President

Sean Kittrell, Member

Misti Livingston, Superintendent/Secretary

Dede Masala, Clerk

Shawn Hill, Member

Candace Maurer, Member

Staff & Public in Attendance

Suzie Watt, Kathy Borders, Morgan Cole, Stephanie

Schmidt, Marcus Schmidt, Becky Carr, Andrea Sellers, Courtney Storment, Davis Gonzales, Joe Maurer, Katie May, Mary Speigle, Leo Livingston, Christina DeLarge, Jill Pearson, Luke Pearson, Wayne Freeman

1.3. Pledge of Allegiance

1.4. Approval of Agenda

2. CONSENT ITEMS

Items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and it is understood that the Administration recommends approval on all consent items. The Board of Trustees in one-motion takes action on consent items. There is no discussion of these items before the Board votes unless a Trustee, staff member, or public citizen requests specific items be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar. Each item on the Consent Calendar that is approved by the Board of Trustees shall be deemed to have been considered in full and adopted as recommended.

2.1 Approval of Consent Items

a. Minutes from Regular Board Meeting November 8, 2023

Sean Kittrell to approve item 2.1a and Candy Maurer seconded it. A vote was taken with 4-0 in favor.

b. Approve Warrant

Candy Maurer to approve item 2.1b and Sean Kittrell seconded it. A vote was taken with 4-0 in favor.

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3. **CELEBRATION**

- 3.1 **Recognition:** Kara Livingston for putting in extra work on the weekends getting our Camp Coral room up and running!

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Agenda Items: The public may address agenda items in the Action, Non-Action, and Reports/Comments portions of the meeting, before board discussion on the topic, when recognized by the chairperson. Speakers are asked to identify themselves before they begin their comments and are allowed to speak one time per agenda item for up to two minutes.

Non-Agenda Items: The Board will listen to public comment on any item of interest not on the agenda that is within their jurisdiction. The Board may limit public comments to no more than 2 minutes pursuant to Board policy. *The Board may not respond to public comments on an item not on the agenda.* Questions, concerns and requests directed to the board will usually be deferred pending administrative and board consideration at a later meeting.

Process: Comments or suggestions may be made orally at the meeting or in writing (letter or e-mail). Suggestions or Comments can be made in the Suggestion Box in the school office or by e-mailing suggestions@oakrunschool.org. Staff will report on the progress of parent/community suggestions and, if needed, they will be added to the board agenda in the future.

Suzie Watt: "I filled out a survey and I'm concerned because there was a lot of talk. I do not want what I wrote to be used in a negative way or to be used to remove anyone from their job. Everyone has the same goal that is the best for the kids. There's a solution to every problem. Remember the kids. I love this school and I think it's going in the right direction."

Kathy Borders: "Public schools is a service provided by the government. You may feel some deep down ownership but it is not owned by any of us. We all want a wholesome education here. Students are learning the importance of their community. Why are all the good things we are doing being attacked? We have education that is geared toward bringing up wholesome loving, caring individuals. We will continue to love, teach, and honor our students and community that is here. That is what we are doing here and I hope the truth comes to those who are trying to destroy this."

Stephanie Schmidt: "Now that I've been more involved, I can more clearly see all of the good things that are happening here. The atmosphere is more than just a school here. We have the ability to focus on everyone's needs. We focus on the good and I'd love to see that continue."

Morgan Cole: "I've been teaching for a while and in different schools, and this school is amazing. The people, students, staff are amazing."

Becky Carr: "I've been teaching up here for 8 years and also in different schools. This school is great. I'm hoping we can continue the basic love, nurturing, and teaching that we do here."

Andrea Sellers: "I've worked at two other schools. I came here for what Misti has to bring to this school."

Jessica Bigby: She reported all of the false accusations as if they were true and without speaking to anyone who knows anything about this school, other than those who are actively trying to shut it down in order to make it a Community center. She did not explain that these allegations were reports from someone and that 'if true' then something would happen. They were explained as if they were already true and this school can be shut down by the end of January and Misti Livingston would lose her credentials.

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Courtaney McCleod: “We addressed the Board about ... My friend, your former cook, is banned for coming on campus. Shame on you for limping her along and using her.”

Davis Gonzales: “Last month was my first School Board Meeting ... Issuing a no trespass order. This is a violation according to the ACLU. I’m standing up for the constitution of America.”

Leo Livingston: “She puts a lot of hours here and has a lot of stress. She’s dedicated and puts all she has into it.”

Christina DeLarge: Crying: “I’d like to thank Oak run and it means a lot to me. I appreciate everybody. I want to say thank you. I appreciate Misti. I’m sorry this is happening. I hope we can work this out. This is a safe place for our kids and families.”

Jill Pearson: “I’ve been here since last year. I’ve done it all as far as schooling goes. My children were behind when we came here and these teachers have grown them to be at or above grade-level. They have grown tremendously – socially, emotionally, and academically. This is an exceptional group of children and people who are leading this school. This school does not get support. This school is putting out exceptional adults. These kids are thriving and this is a head hunting party. It’s about the kids. These kids are learning resilience. I’m supporting this school 150 percent.”

Marcus Schmidt: Student: When I came back from going to another school, I was behind and I got completely caught up and now have straight A’s.

Wayne Freeman: This is just about my boss. When I first came here we cried because of the lifestyle of these children’s lives. I’ve really learned a lot of how to love these children. Her love for these children. Her life has been truly dedicated to these children, and I choose to be here to learn from Mrs. Livingston.”

5. ACTION ITEMS

5.1 Action/ Discussion Item: Updated Librarian Job Description

Recommendation: Approve

Sean Kittrell to approve item 5.1 and Candy Maurer seconded it. A vote was taken with 4-0 in favor.

5.2 Action/ Discussion Item: Community Connect Job Description

Recommendation: Approve

Sean Kittrell to approve item 5.2 and Candy Maurer seconded it. A vote was taken with 4-0 in favor.

5.3 Action/ Discussion Item: Stephanie Schmidt’s Contract for the Cook Position

Recommendation: Approve

Misti Livingston gave an explanation that this was to update the hours worked and hours paid section of her contract.
Sean Kittrell to approve item 5.3 and Candy Maurer seconded it. A vote was taken with 4-0 in favor.

**5.4 Action/ Discussion Item: Remove Tiffany Fulkerson from the Oak Run
Elementary School District Bank Accounts which
consist of the Debit Card account, Milk Fund Account,
and Activity Funds Account**

Recommendation: Approve

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Sean Kittrell to approve item 5.12 and Candy Maurer seconded it. A vote was taken with 4-0 in favor.

**5.13 Action/ Discussion Item: Resolution establishing the Time, Dates, Hours, and
place of the Board of Trustees**

Recommendation: Approve

Board Meeting days and times will stay the same. All members agree.
Sean Kittrell to approve item 5.13 and Candy Maurer seconded it. A vote was taken with 4-0 in favor.

**5.14 Action/ Discussion Item: Resolution: Annual Accounting of School Developer
Fees**

Recommendation: Approve

Sean Kittrell to approve item 5.14 and Candy Maurer seconded it. A vote was taken with 4-0 in favor.

6. NON-ACTION ITEMS:

6.1 Report:	Projected 2023-2024 Enrollment
	TK-2 - 8
	3-5 - 10
	6-8 - 12
	} Total – 30

6.2 Report: Academic Graph

6.3 Report: Letters of Restricted Access to Campus for 5 persons

7. OTHER REPORTS / COMMENTS

7.1 Information: District Leadership/District Advisory Committee / SSC

No comment

7.2 Comments: Classified / Confidential / Certificate

No comment

7.3 Comments: Director / Superintendent

I did not know that we could not restrict people physical presence from Board Meetings by restricting their access to campus because of them creating

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hostile and unsafe environments for our students. They have been allowed to attend by phone or zoom. If we are in violation of any laws then all of California is in violation of those same laws because they restricted access to Board Meetings during the whole of COVID. Furthermore, I do not know how I can be held responsible for any Mistake that I have made as Superintendent/Principal when I have asked for support and help with more than 35 things related to school business and received little to no help or assistance. I have also asked several people at SCOE, our insurance carrier, and another Principal for assistance/help with getting our employees signed into Keenan with zero support with that.

7.4 *Comments:* Board Members

No comment

8. NEXT MEETING

8.1 Regular Board Meeting – Wednesday January 10, 2024 @ 4:00 pm

9. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION @ 5:56pm

9.1 **54957 (b)(1)** Personnel – To discuss the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, discipline, complaints about of dismissal of specific employee or potential employee.

10. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION @ 6:20pm

Kansas has been an inactive member of this Board and we will move to removed her seat on the Board at the next Board Meeting.

11. ADJOURN @ 6:22pm