

AGENDA

VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD of DIRECTORS

Public Meeting

Thursday, July 13, 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

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER**Chair
1.1 Flag Salute

2.0 **SWEAR IN NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS**
2.1 Oath of Office.....Jim Helmen

3.0 **AGENDA REVIEW**Chair
2.1 Action to Approve the Agenda

4.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**
This is a time for public comment on items not on the agenda. 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 Statutes, 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.

5.0 **BUSINESS REPORTS**
5.1 SuperintendentJim Helmen
5.1.1 Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) Final
5.2 FinancialMarie Knight
5.3 MaintenanceMark Brown

6.0 **BOARD REPORTS / BOARD DEVELOPMENT**.....Chair
6.1 Committee Reports
6.2 Policy Committee

7.0 **OTHER INFORMATION and DISCUSSION**
7.1 May 16, 2023 Election Abstract.....Jim Helmen
7.2 Superintendent Advisory Assignments:Jim Helmen
7.2.1 Safety Committee
7.2.2 Policy Review Committee
7.3 Board AssignmentsJim Helmen
7.3.1 Negotiations Team – Classified & Licensed Union Groups
7.3.2 Scholarship Committee

- 7.4 2023-24 Substitute Teacher PayJim Helmen
- 7.5 2023-24 Board Meeting ScheduleJim Helmen
- 7.6 New HiresJim Helmen
- 7.7 Staff ResignationsJim Helmen

8.0 ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Election Abstract

I move to approve the May 16, 2023 Election Abstract as presented.

8.2 Board Committee Assignments

I move to appoint (list names) to the Board Negotiations Team and (list names) to the Board Scholarship Committee for 2023-24.

8.4 2023-24 Substitute Teacher Pay

I move to set the 2023-24 Licensed Substitute Teacher Pay at \$_____ / day.

8.5 2023-24 Board Meeting Schedule

I move to approve the 2023-24 Board Meeting Schedule as presented.

8.6 New Hires

I move to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to hire Cecilia Barrie, MS/HS Band and Choir Teacher, Dawn Rhoads-Jay, Vernonia Elementary 2nd Grade Teacher, Raynett Mann, Tier 3 Teacher, and Lita Blodget, K-12 Behavior Specialist in LifeSkills.

8.7 Staff Resignation

I move to approve the resignation of Celeste Avy, Mist K-2 Teacher, and Geoff Schwartz, High School Science Teacher.

9.0 MONITORING BOARD PERFORMANCEChair

10.0 ELECT BOARD CHAIR & VICE CHAIRChair

- 10.1 Elect 2023-24 Board Chair
- 10.2 Elect 2023-24 Board Vice Chair

11.0 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.

- 11.1 Minutes of the 06/08/2023 Regular Meeting
- 11.2 Designate:
 - 11.2.1 Chief Administrative & Budget Officer/Clerk: James Helmen
 - 11.2.2 Custodian of Funds: Authorize Signatures, Use of Facsimile Signatures for District Checks, as appropriate: James Helmen
 - 11.2.3 Representative of Federal/State Fund & Grant Applications: James Helmen
 - 11.2.4 Depository of Funds: US Bank & Government Pool
 - 11.2.5 District Auditors: Pauly, Rogers & Co. P.C.
 - 11.2.6 Insurance Agent of Record: Brown & Brown Northwest
 - 11.2.7 Attorney of Record: Garrett, Hemann, Robertson, Jennings, Comstock & Trethewy, P.C.
 - 11.2.8 Newspaper of Record: Vernonia's Voice
- 11.3 Set:
 - 11.3.1 Borrowing Limit - \$150,000

I move to approve the consent agenda as presented.

11.0 OTHER ISSUES Chair

12.0 ADJOURNChair

UPCOMING DATES

August 10, 2023 School Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

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



VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT 47J
1201 TEXAS AVENUE
VERNONIA OR 97064

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER OATH OF OFFICE

I, _____ do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Oregon, and the laws thereof, and the policies of the Vernonia School District. I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of the Office of School Board Member according to the best of my ability during the term for which I have been appointed.

Signature

Date

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Summer Programming Option for Elementary Students

We will provide summer learning opportunities for our elementary students at home. Access to IXL and a list of Common Core State Standards students must know before 2023-2024. Login information for IXL has been mailed to each student and their report card. K-5 teachers have chosen priority standards in language arts and math that students should focus on to ensure they are prepared for the start of the school year in 2023-2024.

We will be sending out reminders over the summer, along with support options.

We aim to bridge the skill gap and enhance the learning experience of all students throughout the summer. To achieve our target of 70-70-90, we must offer these opportunities to every student.

Existing Grants

- We have not received any notification from the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant program regarding the \$500,000 grant for after-school and summer enrichment.
- We have not received any notification from the 2023-25 Youth Reengagement Opportunity Grant. This is the same grant that has funded our Check and Connect Program in the last three years.

Summer YTP program

VSD has employed two Youth Transition Programs (YTP) crew leaders to support Vernonia High School YTP students in completing summer maintenance and custodial internships to develop career-related postsecondary training.

YTP program Information:

Established in 1990, the Oregon Youth Transition Program (YTP) is a collaborative partnership between VSD, the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, the Oregon Department of Education, and the University of Oregon. It is funded by Vocational Rehabilitation every two years through intergovernmental agreements with local school districts and ESDs. The YTP aims to prepare

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students with disabilities for employment or career-related postsecondary education or training by providing a comprehensive array of pre-employment transition activities and supports.

Attached are the Smarter Balance reports summarizing the ELA and math assessment results for grades 3-8 and 11. These reports compare the state average and show the growth or decline in standards proficiencies over the past three SBAC summative assessment cycles. It's important to note that longitudinal data is only tracked for students assessed within the three-year summative cycle in the Vernonia School District that were assessed within the three-year summative cycle within the Vernonia school district.

ELA Proficiency Rate vs. State of Oregon Rate

School	Grade	Proficiency Rate/ State Rate	Longitudinal Growth (Over three year Periods)	Progress towards 70-70-90
VES	3	22%/40%	NA	NA
Mist	3	25%/40%	NA	NA
VES	4	25%/43%	2320/2380 (+)	Yes
Mist	4	100%/43%	2510/2550 (+)	Yes
VES	5	19%/48%	2407/2426 (+)	Yes
Mist	5	40%/48%	NA	NA
VMS	6	28%/42%	2458/2474 (+)	Yes
VMS	7	21%/45%	2426/2491(+)	Yes

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VMS	8	25%/43%	2418/2495 (+)	Yes
VHS	11	35%/49%	2527/2558(+)	Yes

Math Proficiency Rate vs. State of Oregon Rate

School	Grade	Proficiency Rate/ State Rate	Longitudinal Growth (Over three year Periods)	Progress towards 70-70-90
VES	3	4/40%	NA	NA
Mist	3	0/40%	NA	NA
VES	4	10%/38%	2343/2388 (+)	Yes
Mist	4	80%/38%	2465/2549(+)	Yes
VES	5	6%/31%	2399/2398 (-)	No
Mist	5	40%/31%	2418/2464 (+)	Yes

VMS	6	16%/29%	2434/2454 (+)	Yes
VMS	7	14%/30%	2429/2413(-)	No
VMS	8	6%/26%	2439/2470 (+)	Yes
VHS	11	20%/22%	2500/2501(+)	Yes

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STAR Assessment Outcomes in Reading

Reading CCSS growth over one year's worth of growth in reading (Baseline to Ceiling)

- Vernonia Elementary School 68.8%
- Mist Elementary School 66.7%
- Vernonia High School 64.8%
- Vernonia Middle School 64%
- Vernonia Middle School 64%

STAR Assessment Outcomes in Math

Math CCSS skill growth over one year's worth of growth in reading (Baseline to Ceiling)

- Vernonia Middle School 82.7%
- Mist Elementary School 73.9%
- Vernonia Elementary School 71.6%
- Vernonia High School 57.1%
- Vernonia Middle School 82.7%

62 of 75 students scored at or above typical growth (35th current SGP) from Fall to the given test period

Star Early Literacy Students Assessed

These are students who were not able to be assessed at the base reading (Kinder-2nd grade level/nonreaders coming into the 22-23 school year)

- Vernonia Elementary School 68
- Mist Elementary School 12
- Vernonia High School 1
- Vernonia Elementary School 68

Sixty-eight students completed one or more Star Early Literacy assessment(s). Fifty-five of these students scored above the typical growth rate over a year.

Summary of the combination of SBAC and STAR assessment outcomes.

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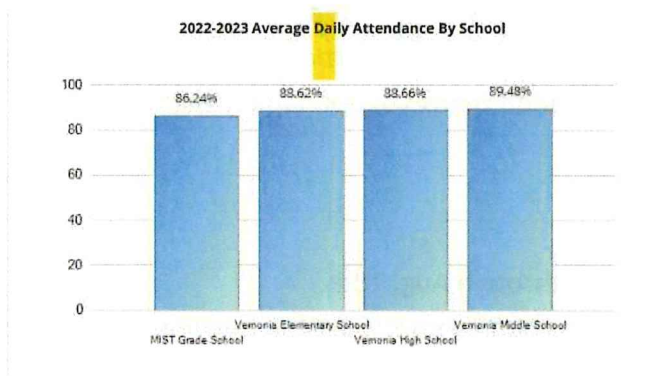


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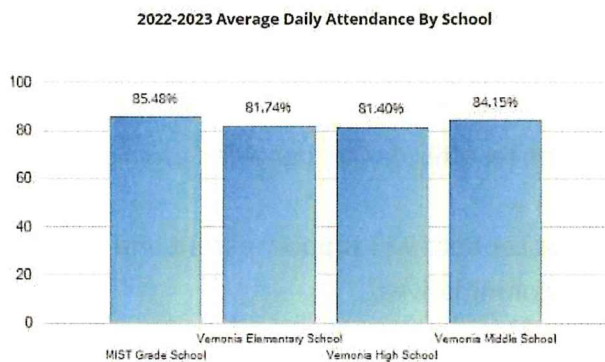
Based on the Star Renaissance data and smart balance assessment data, many students entered the 2022-2023 school year behind grade level in ELA and math by 2 to 3 years. While there has been some growth and improvement in smarter balance assessment scores, the overall efficiency rate needs to be up to the school district's standards for all grade levels. Additionally, there is a high number of nonreaders in grades K-2, which may indicate that teachers in those grades have successfully supported students to progress significantly toward reading proficiency.

Attendance Outcomes

Overall Average Daily Attendance by District 22-23 (Not Chronic Absenteeism)



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Union Bargaining

- The bargaining process of OSEA has concluded, and the OSEA field representative is finalizing the collective bargaining agreement. We thank Greg, Javos, and Susan for their valuable support during this highly successful bargaining session.
- We have yet to receive official confirmation from the certified union regarding their acceptance of the district's final agreements for the last two articles.

Both bargaining sessions have been very successful, and I thank you for supporting the bargaining team and both unions' staff.

Summer Meals Programming

- Summer Meals began on June 26 and will go through Aug. 18th.
- All staff have been hired, and the program has been very successful, feeding 130 families daily.

Staffing adjustments aimed at providing additional behavior and attendance support to both schools

VMHS

- TOSA Dean of Students - Justin Ward to support attendance, behavior, and School-Wide PBIS.
- Attendance/ Behavior support staff- Victoria Leonetti will support parent and student outreach focused on attendance and behavior initiatives.

VES

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- Behavioral Specialist- Janessa McDonald supports attendance, behavior, and School-Wide PBIS.
- K-5 Tier III Program- Raynett Mann and Summer Gonzalez serve students who need an alternative to traditional elementary classrooms (via actions or intentions) and may or may not already be served by special education qualifications.
- Kinder to 2nd-grade teacher: Due to lower incoming kinder numbers, VES will add a teacher to second-grade and remove a kindergarten teacher.
- K-12 Behavior Specialist in Life Skills classroom with support from the special education director to support the development of transition skills aimed at effective post-secondary education transition.

memo

Vernonia School District 47J

To: Vernonia School District Board of Directors, Superintendent Jim Helmen
From: Marie Knight
Date: 7/13/2023
Re: July 2023 financial information

Comments: Happy New Fiscal Year!

There is no financial report for the July school board meeting due to recently starting the new year. We are in the process of finishing up work for 2022-2023 and starting to work in 2023-2024.

Summer is a busy time with setting up payroll for the new year as well as getting orders processed for summer programs and the fall.

Thanks!

-Marie Knight

Business Manager, Vernonia School District 47J

June 2023 Maintenance Report

Alarm Related Calls:

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Facility Use:

SPring sports, Coaches meetings, Boosters, assemblies. Graduation, Year end closing event, ballet promotions,

Projects/Work for the Month

- *Mist monthly maintenance:
- *Lots of work on the ground, trying to get ready for graduation.
- *Alarm panel for the main building failed. working on a new panel and communications to get it back up. Should be in the next week or so.
- *Board report.
- * District office construction: Start time should be next week.
- *Programming and key setup for some new staff, collection of keys from summer.
- *closing down playing fields for summer.
- * Got new quotes for replacing communication panels in our building to have a new company take over monitoring.
- *Working on summer cleaning schedules, plans and projects.
- *Emptied m/s and h/s classrooms of heavy items
- *Initial prep work for summer cleaning has officially started. That will consume much of our time over the last two weeks of June.
- *Worked on Mist for their open house.
- *Ordered Filters for HVAC roof units
- * I was on vacation for two weeks in June...fyi
- *Graduation set up and take down.

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:

Graffiti, damage to Miscellaneous bathroom equipment and fixtures.

Thank you

Mark Brown

Facility/Maintenance/Grounds Supervisor/IPM Coordinator

Vernonia School District

971-297-6403

May 16, 2023 Special District Election
 Columbia County, Oregon
 Certified Precinct Level Results- Final

CERTIFIED FINAL RESULTS
 12-Jun-23

**Vernonia School District 47J, Director,
 Position 2**

VOTE FOR 1

	Greg Kintz	Write-in Totals	Total Votes Cast	Overvotes	Undervotes	Contest Total
41 City of Vernonia	276	3	279	0	200	479
44 Rural Vernonia	211	7	218	0	179	397
51 Mist	90	7	97	0	68	165
Washington County	2	0	2	0	1	3
Totals	579	17	596	0	448	1,044

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 Position 3**

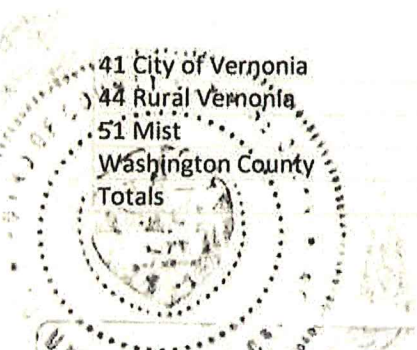
VOTE FOR 1

	Amy E Claloha	Write-in Totals	Total Votes Cast	Overvotes	Undervotes	Contest Total
41 City of Vernonia	282	5	287	0	192	479
44 Rural Vernonia	234	8	242	0	155	397
51 Mist	94	9	103	0	62	165
Washington County	3	0	3	0	0	3
Totals	613	22	635	0	409	1,044

**Vernonia School District 47J, Director,
 Position 7**

VOTE FOR 1

	Scott Rickard	Write-in Totals	Total Votes Cast	Overvotes	Undervotes	Contest Total
41 City of Vernonia	261	3	264	0	215	479
44 Rural Vernonia	205	6	211	0	186	397
51 Mist	88	9	97	0	68	165
Washington County	2	0	2	0	1	3
Totals	556	18	574	0	470	1,044



I certify that the votes recorded on this report correctly summarize the tally of votes cast at the May 16, 2023 Special District Election.


 Don Clack, Columbia County Elections

May 16, 2023

TO: School District and ESD Superintendents
RE: 2023-24 Substitute Teacher Pay Rates

HB 2939 from the 2015 legislative session created separate substitute teacher pay rates for districts with class schedules based on a 4-day week.

Following are final minimum pay rates for substitute teachers for the 2023-24 school year. **Note that charter schools are not subject to the provisions of the law (ORS 342.610, summarized below) that sets the minimum amount that substitute teachers must be paid.**

According to ORS 342.610, teachers employed as substitute teachers shall not be paid less per day than 85 percent of the daily salary of a beginning teacher who holds a bachelor's degree. The school district shall set the working hours for a substitute teacher. **Substitutes who work for a half day or less shall be paid half of the daily salary reported in this memo. Substitutes who work more than a half day shall be paid the full daily salary.**

The daily salary is defined as the average annual salary of beginning teachers who hold a bachelor's degree divided by 190 days using the most recent data available, but not earlier than the preceding school year. [ORS 342.610 (1)]

Based on data for 2022-23, the average salary of beginning teachers with a bachelor's degree is **\$46,125**.

School districts with class schedules based on a 5-day week

- The minimum pay rate for the **first 10** consecutive days of substitute teaching is **\$206.35** per day (\$46,125 divided by 190 times 85%).

School districts with class schedules based on a 4-day week

- The minimum pay rate for the **first 8** consecutive days is **\$232.14** per day (the 5-day rate \$206.35 times 1.125).

In cases where a substitute teacher teaches for **more than 10** consecutive days (**more than 8** consecutive days for districts with a 4-day week) in the same assignment, the minimum rate for the days taught beyond 10 (8 for a 4-day week) is computed as follows:

School districts with class schedules based on a 5-day week

- For districts with a salary scale, the minimum rate is the higher of:
 - 1/190th of the district's annual salary scale for beginning teachers with a bachelor's degree. [ORS 342.610 (3)(a)(A)] ; **or**

- **\$206.35** per day [ORS 342.610 (3)(a)(B)]
- For districts without a salary scale, the minimum rate is **\$242.76** per day (100 percent, rather than 85 percent, of 1/190th of the statewide average salary for beginning teachers with a bachelor's degree) . [ORS 342.610 (3)(a)]

School districts with class schedules based on a 4-day week

- For districts with a salary scale, the minimum rate is the higher of:
 - 1/190th of the district's annual salary scale for beginning teachers with a bachelor's degree **times 1.125**. [ORS 342.610 (3)(a)(A)] ; **or**
 - **\$232.14** per day [ORS 342.610 (3)(a)(B)]
- For districts without a salary scale, the minimum rate is **\$273.11** per day (100 percent, rather than 85 percent, of 1/190th of the statewide average salary for beginning teachers with a bachelor's degree **times 1.125**). [ORS 342.610 (3)(a)]

If you have questions, please contact Evan Fuller at evan.fuller@ode.state.or.us

Vernonia 47J School Board Meeting Schedule 2023-24

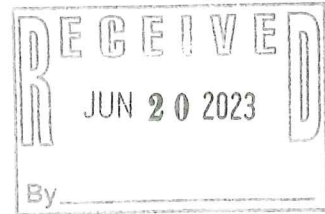
Business Mtg			Work Session - Saturday/5th Thursday		
	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>
July	13	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.			
August	10	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	31**		
September	14	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.			
October *	12	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.			
November	9	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	30**		
December	14	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.			
January	11	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.			
February	8	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	29**		
March	14	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.			
April *	11	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.			
May	9	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	30**		
June	13	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.			
July	11	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.			

* Mtg. Held at Mist Grade School

** 5th Thursday - Workshop If Needed

Adopted:

June 19, 2023



Mr. Jim Helmen
District Superintendent
Vernonia School District
1000 Missouri Avenue
Vernonia, Oregon 97064

Dear Jim,

Please accept this letter as my official resignation from my position as K-2nd grade teacher at Mist Elementary, Vernonia School District. My resignation is effective August 21, 2023.

I have enjoyed my time at Mist and am honored to have had the chance to touch the lives of so many children. It has been as much a pleasure to learn from them as it has been to teach them.

This resignation and related opportunity will allow me to be more available for my special needs daughter when I am home.

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to assist with the transition. I can be reached during the summer at 503.457.8208 or by email at celesteavy@email.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Celeste N. Avy".

Celeste N. Avy

Geoff Schwartz
1602 Rodlun Ct.
Forest Grove, Or 97116

June 21, 2023

To: Jim Helmen, Superintendent, Vernonia School District
Vernonia School Board, Vernonia School District

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of my resignation from my teaching position in the Vernonia School District effective June 30, 2023. Thank you for the opportunity to teach in Vernonia.

Sincerely,

Geoff Schwartz

MEETING MINUTES

VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD of DIRECTORS Regular Meeting – June 8, 2023 Vernonia Schools, 1000 Missouri Ave., 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 6:00 p.m. by Susan Wagner, Vice Chair. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
- Board Present:** Susan Wagner, Greg Kintz, Amy Cieloha, Scott Rickard, Javoss McGuire, Joanie Jones BOARD PRESENT
- Board Absent:** Stacey Pelster BOARD ABSENT
- Staff Present:** Jim Helmen, Superintendent; Marie Knight, Business Manager; Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant; Michelle Eagleson, Elementary Principal; Rachel Wilson, K-12 Vice Principal; Allison McLeod, Brittanie Roberts, Justin Benassi and Lee Costanzo, Licensed Staff, STAFF PRESENT
- Visitors Present:** Scott Laird, and 3rd Grade Students. VISITORS PRESENT
- 1.1** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 2.0 AGENDA REVIEW:** The following items were added to the agenda: AGENDA REVIEW
- 8.2 New Hires
- 8.3 Fee Schedule for 2023-24
- 9.3 Action Item – additional names were added to the suggested motion language.
- 9.4 New Hire Action for approval
- 9.5 Fee Schedule Action for approval
- Scott Rickard moved to approve the agenda as amended. Javoss McGuire seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance.
- 3.0 RECESS TO BUDGET HEARING** at 6:05 p.m. BUDGET HEARING
Jim Helmen asked if there were any remaining questions or comments from the Board. Amy Cieloha OPENED FOR
asked for clarification on preschool expenses. Mr. Helmen indicated these costs are part of the Early COMMENTS
Childhood program testing.
There were no comments from the audience. BUDGET HEARING
Budget Hearing closed at 6:09 p.m. CLOSED
- 4.0 PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA and NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** None PUBLIC COMMENT
- 5.0 SHOWCASING OF SCHOOLS:**
- 5.1 Administrator Reports:** The Board reviewed the administrative reports prior to the ADMINISTRATOR
meeting. Susan Wagner complimented the staff for the complete reports and including REPORTS
pictures.
- Brett Costley, representing the Project Based Learning class at Vernonia High School, gave a VHS P.B.L. CLASS
brief overview of the program he took over from Jim Krahn. Students learn how to solicit, AWARDS GRANTS
review, and award grants. This year the students selected two levels of criteria for their grant
dollars. Classroom and Career and Technical Education activities. The recipients of this
year's grants are:
1. Justin Benassi – Forestry Class. His \$3,000 grant will support the construction of a drying kiln to compliment the sawmill. Wood will be milled and dried and then available for use in the woodshop.
 2. Lee Costanzo – Welding Class. His \$1,000 grant will be used to purchase supplies, specifically air tools.
 3. Project Based Learning Class. The \$1,000 in grant funds were used to support a professor to come to VHS to teach sign language.

Scott Rickard asked about disciplinary reports. He was curious how the level of behavior, – aggressive, inappropriate, obscene – is determined. Is there a cheat sheet or is it a judgement call by who is entering the behavior incident? According to Rachel Wilson, ideally involved staff come together to determine the category which at times can be challenging. She is hoping that next year a more detailed explanation will be available. Staff did spend professional development time understanding what is required but more work needs to occur to understand each category.

5.2 Spring Sports Report: The Board reviewed the report prior to the meeting. Susan Wagner asked about the inclusion of OHSET. There was nothing noted about their efforts. SPRING SPORTS REPORT

Justin Benassi shared about the Clay Target Team, which is officially a Spring sport. They have the State shoot in the Spring as well as a Fall mini season for practice. This year he had 7 members on his team and they finished 4th out of 8 or 9 schools. They shoot at the Hillsboro Trap and Skeet Club.

6.0 BUSINESS REPORTS:

6.1 Superintendent Report: The Board reviewed the Superintendent report prior to the meeting. There were no questions. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

6.2.2 Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) Update: Jim Helmen shared his draft document with the Board. The work included in the document is around the District goal areas of: CIP DRAFT PRESENTATION

1. Instruction

- a. Increase academic achievement and growth in ELA
- b. Increase academic achievement and growth in Math
- c. Implement the 5 Pillar Exceptional Teacher Evaluation System
- d. Increase the availability of mentoring and instructional coaching throughout the district.
- e. Develop a District Professional Development Plan

Engagement

- a. Increase student attendance rates
- b. Reduce off-task behavior incidents that impact engagement and achievement

2. CTE programming (in progress)

3. Community

- a. Align for Student Success – Integrated Guidance ODE
- b. Increase community participation in the school to support college and career readiness
- c. Develop internships for high school students throughout community

4. Wellness (SEL)

- a. Increase student mental health supports
- b. Staff Wellness Program
- c. Implement CPS (Collaborative Problem-Solving) strategies K-12

The finalized document will be presented in July.

6.2 Financial Report: Marie Knight’s report was provided to the Board prior to the meeting. Marie indicated that she is confident that the District is ending the year where needed. Greg Kintz shared that the District is currently in negotiations with OSEA and soon will start with the VEA. FINANCIAL REPORT

Marie went on to further explain that Resolution #2023-05 is required when money must be transferred between funds to accommodate under or over spending from what was originally budgeted within a specific fund. This can be due to unexpected expenditures or the receipt of donations or grants not expected when the budget was developed. Scott Rickard asked if the tax rate was the same as last year? Yes, according to Marie, that does not change. RESOLUTION #2023-05 EXPLAINED

With recent State School Fund increases, this equates to about \$150,000 for Vernonia School District. Any additional funds received will be earmarked for curriculum purchases next year. POTENTIAL SSF INCREASES EARMARKED FOR CURRICULUM

Jim Helmen shared that the District has applied for a grant in partnership with Camp Cedar Ridge and LinArt. If successful in receiving the grant the funds would support 5 years of an DISTRICT APPLIES FOR COMPETITIVE GRANT

after school and summer program.

6.3 Maintenance Report: Mark Brown's report was provided to the Board prior to the meeting. MAINTENANCE REPORT

Jim Helmen shared that currently the District is dealing with an issue of not having any water at Mist Elementary. School was cancelled for today. There was a toilet that had continued to run, which can drain the holding tank for the well. Currently all areas are being considered; low water table, equipment failure, or if simply the running toilet.

LACK OF WATER AT MIST

The district made the decision to hire a separate cleaning crew to do the floor waxing this summer which would free up the maintenance staff to do overdue maintenance issues. The cost is approximately \$15,000.

DISTRICT LOOKS AT HIRING SEPARATE CLEANING CREW TO DO FLOORS

Jim Helmen gave a big shout out to Mark Brown and his custodial crew for getting the grounds ready for graduation as well as making our campus look good.

Amy Cieloha gave a shout out to a former student, Jake Handegard, for helping to spread bark.

7.0 BOARD REPORTS/ BOARD DEVELOPMENT:

BOARD REPORTS
COMMITTEE UPDATES

7.1 1 Committee Reports: Nothing shared.

7.1.2 Policy Committee: Nothing shared.

7.1.3 Scholarship Committee: Last night two scholarships were awarded to two graduating seniors. This is first year the Board scholarship has been active.

SCHOLARSHIP
COMMITTEE

8.0 OTHER INFORMATION and DISCUSSION

8.1 Staff Retirements and Resignations: Jim Helmen shared that Mark Brown and Glenda Delemos have asked to take advantage of PERS retirement and work back. Both will have to reapply for their positions.

STAFF RETIREMENTS
AND RESIGNATIONS

Robin Murphy, MS Math teacher, Gordon Jarman, Athletic Director, and Sheril McWhirter, Instructional Assistant are all retiring, Sarah Clark, high school social studies teacher is resigning.

8.2 New Hires: James Helmen, currently the Tier 3 Classroom teacher has been hired for Elementary PE, replacing George Spaulding who is moving to the high school PE position.

HELMEN HIRED FOR
ELEMENTARY PE

8.3 Fee Schedule for 2023-24: Fee increases are noted for student body, food service, and facility use.

FEE SCHEDULE SHARED

Jim Helmen shared that he will work on making adjustments to the Facility Use process for next year.

9.0 ACTION ITEMS

9.1 Resolution #2023-04 – Adopting the Budget, Making Appropriations, Imposing and Categorizing the Tax: Greg Kintz moved to approve resolution #2023-24 as presented and read aloud the components of the resolution. Javoss McGuire seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance.

RESOLUTION #2023-04
ADOPTING THE BUDGET
APPROVED

9.2 Resolution #2023-05 Transfer Appropriations within Funds of the 2022-23 Budget: Javoss McGuire moved to approve Resolution #2023-05 as presented. Amy Cieloha seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance.

RESOLUTION #2023-24
TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS
APPROVED

9.3 Staff Retirements and Resignations: Scott Rickard moved to accept the retirement of Sheril McWhirter, Instructional Assistant, effective June 14, 2023; Robin Murphy, MS Math Teacher, effective July 1, 2023, Gordon Jarman, Athletic Director, effective June 30, 2023, Glenda Delemos, Media/Technology effective June 30, 2023, and Mark Brown, Maintenance Supervisor, effective June 30, 2023 and the resignation of Sarah Clark, HS Social Studies, effective June 30, 2023. Greg Kintz seconded the motion. Scott Rickard amended the motion to adjust the effective date to June 30, 2023 for Sheril McWhirter and Robin Murphy. Greg Kintz seconded the amendment. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance.

MCWHIRTER, MURPHY,
JARMAN, DELEMOS and
BROWN RETIRE

CLARK RESIGNS

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| <p>9.4 New Hire: Amy Cieloha moved to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation to hire James Helmen for Elementary PE Teacher. Javoss McGuire seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance.</p> | <p>HELMEN HIRED AS
ELEMENTARY PE
TEACHER</p> |
| <p>9.5 2023-24 Fee Schedule: Javoss McGuire moved to approve the 2023-24 Fee schedule as presented. Amy Cieloha seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with those in attendance.</p> | <p>2023-24 FEE SCHEDULE
APPROVED</p> |
| <p>10.0 MONITORING BOARD PERFORMANCE: Attendance at OSBA’s Summer Conference was discussed briefly. Susan Wagner and Greg Kintz are attending.</p> | <p>MONITORING BOARD
PERFORMANCE</p> |
| <p>11.0 CONSENT AGENDA:</p> | <p>CONSENT AGENDA</p> |
| <p>11.1 Minutes of 05/11/23 Regular Meeting</p> <p>Javoss McGuire moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Greg Kintz seconded the motion. Scott Rickard abstained from the vote. Yes votes: Susan Wagner, Amy Cieloha, Greg Kintz, and Javoss McGuire. Motion carried.</p> | <p>MINUTES</p> <p>CONSENT AGENDA
APPROVED</p> |
| <p>12.0 OTHER ISSUES</p> | <p>OTHER ISSUES</p> |
| <p>12.1 Agenda Setting Meeting for Next Month: Joanie Joanes will join Stacey Pelster and Jim Helmen to set the July meeting agenda.</p> | |
| <p>13.0 MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:39 p.m.</p> <p>Submitted by Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant.</p> | <p>ADJOURNED</p> |

Board Chair

District Clerk