

Rainier School District #13
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Rainier School District Boardroom

Regular Board Meeting
July 11, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. Harding, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Hendricks, Mr. Schimmel, Mrs. Usher, Mr. Hisey

I. Preliminary Matters

A. Call Meeting to Order at 6:30 pm

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Ratify Election of Board Officers

Mrs. Richardson motioned to ratify the elections of the Board Chair and Co chair as elected at the June 13, 2022 meeting, seconded by Mrs. Usher

Discussion: None

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Hendricks	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

D. Approve Agenda

Mrs. Richardson motioned to approve the agenda with amendment to add, VI. D. Football Stadium Lights, seconded by Mrs. Hendricks

Discussion:

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Hendricks	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

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II. Reports, Information, and Discussion Items

A. Superintendent Report, Dr. Hatrick: Written Report was provided

- Congratulations to the Trap team for their state title. Thank you Jeff Sorensen
- COSA Conference was two weeks ago. It was a great opportunity for networking, team building with the 22-23 leadership team and we walked away with some positive learning to apply to the upcoming school year.
- Thank you to all the volunteers and community for Rainier Days. The district participated in the parade Saturday. We had a great time and enjoyed the 80's theme.
- Facilities Update and Summer Projects: Summer is one of the busiest times of the year. Projects List provided.
- Summer Projects:
 - Bond Next Steps
 - Continuing conversations around running start and advanced credit options
 - Woodshop re-opening in process with Commissioner Garrett, the NW Carpenters Union and few other partnering groups
 - Leadership Training for our leadership team
 - Reviewing and updating all Federal and State Grants
 - Reviewing and revising the comprehensive Improvement Plan
 - Developing a pre service schedule
 - Updating Emergency Plans and Handbooks
 - Reviewing Administrative Rules, for operationalizing policies
 - Facility Use Process
 - Vehicle Review and Plan
 - TAP Grant
 - Division 22 Standards and much more
 - Developing an Educational Continuum Overview, so everyone will know what all of the options are here for students, both academic and non academic
 - Mentoring and Induction Program for new staff
 - Looking at our multi tiered systems of supports to identify students in need of additional supports
- Facility: Review quotes for roof repairs, hiring a building envelope general consultant to determine the cause of water intrusion in the HPE Gym, develop a plan to remediate repair or replace the gym floor, football lights, bathroom remodels are already under way, boiler upgrade that we are still diagnosing and the wrestling room upgrades have been ordered. Thank you to our Facility Team, both maintenance and custodial. In addition to keeping the property looking the way it is, they have already deep cleaned classrooms, waxed and polished the floors and now they are really working on remodeling and hitting a lot of these projects. They've got a busy, busy summer, but they are doing an outstanding job, so thanks to them.

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- Briarcliff Grand Reopening tomorrow, July 12, 2022 from 5 - 8 pm
- Staffing Update: Most positions filled
- Work Session dates: August 9 and 15 from 5-8pm, Dinner will be provided
- Mary Graff: Memorial Service Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at 1:00PM in the Rainier School District Auditorium. The service will also be available for viewing on the Rainier School District's YouTube Channel

Questions/Discussion: None

B. Financial Report, Kevin Hansen: Written report provided

C. HPE Staggered Start, Megan Keplinger: Written proposal provided.

Gearing up for new ELA Curriculum implementation, Senate Bill 1003, kinder screening for risk factors for Dyslexia. Staff need 12 hours of training which will need to be pushed into the first week of the school year.

Questions/Discussion: Any problems with students being able to get to school for the screening?

Mrs. Keplinger: We do what we can, orientation, bring families in or we go to them if needed.

Dr. Hattrick: I would request for board approval since it deviates from the board approved calendar.

Mrs. Hendricks motioned to approve the HPE staggered start for preschool, kindergarten, first grade and second grade, seconded by Mrs. Richardson

Discussion: None

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Hendricks	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

D. Trap Team, Jeff Sorensen: Jay, Tyler and Lilly came with staff, Nolan Borders, Jake Budge. We are a club with the school, not through OSAA. We do all our own fundraising, open 6th - 12 grade. We've been here for 4 years, started with 15 students and this year we had 25.

We shoot in Virtual Competitions, which is the team shooting here at our local range and we submit school. State competition is the only time we are with other teams competing. We won this year with 470/ 500 points. Tyler shot a

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perfect 100/100. Tristan traveled to Minnesota for nationals, which was about 1600 students.

Dr. Hattrick: 100/100, is that clay targets and when was the last time you won state?

Jeff Sorensen: Yes and never. 17 students came to the state competition.

III. Public Comment

A. Tonight's meeting is designed to keep presentations and deliberations efficient and effective. The board will not comment, but will listen only. They may choose to call your name for public testimony at the end of the meeting if your topic is a non-agenda item. The board may choose not to address your request if your topic is outside the scope of the board's governance. We ask that you remember Oregon law prohibits us from discussing specific employees or their job performance. If you wish to speak, please complete the Public Comment Form and submit to the board secretary prior to the start of the meeting.

Martha Hallaran: Provided pictures to the board. I'm very involved at the softball fields and I don't know if you've been over there recently, but it is not being maintained well. Pictures from about 3 weeks ago. It's a little better now that someone has mowed it. That area is for our students, our community and I pay taxes like everyone else. The school is supposed to maintain it, it's not being maintained and no one can play up there. If it's not maintained and it seems the board is worried about having issues with insurance or someone getting hurt up there, it's definitely a safety issue. I challenge all of you to go up there and look, frankly it's very embarrassing and I know people will say we're not in season, but when we were in the high school season the only field that was maintained was the varsity field, only during the season, there was trash everywhere and it was very embarrassing and I know I'm not the only one that felt that way. I also belong to RGSA and we have always volunteered. I have put in countless hours as have parents and we helped maintain it. Last year I was up at the fields working with parents and I got a phone call telling me we could not be working because we didn't have insurance and that's another issue. I would like to propose or see if there's somehow a way that if the school can't maintain it as part of the community without having to have liability insurance, that we can help. Frankly we are not a wealthy community, many people are just getting by and a lot of kids that are playing in the youth sports, do that to get out of the house. They need that. Personally I feel like in our community right now youth sports is becoming a dinosaur. I just want to know if we can do something?

Mr. Harding: Thank you for pointing that out, we will take it under advisement.

Tina Edwards: I was here a few months ago to talk about the insurance issues and I'm hoping some of those policies have changed. I'm here because I'm concerned about both youth and high school sports in Rainier. Athletics have a huge value, but the life lessons and personal connections made can last a lifetime and they are very important. It brings a lot of pride to the school and community. I'm truly saddened to see what the

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softball fields look like. I'm also someone who has helped. One of my life's mottos is, be part of the solution, not part of the problem. I'm here today to say that I want to be part of the solution. I will volunteer, I will put in hours, I will help organize work parties. I want these kids to have some pride in where they go and when it looks like this it's hard to be proud. I'm also saddened to hear that HPE gym is still an issue. I did middle school volleyball down there for years and to not have a facility available, wow. We are taking huge steps backwards and it makes me sad. Please put me on the list. I'm here to work. Let's do this.

Mr. Harding: Thank you very much for your comments

IV. Executive Session: Entered at 7:06PM

ORS 192.660(2)(h)

To consult with counsel concerning current or possible litigation.

Returned to regular meeting at 7:28 pm

Mrs. Hendricks motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Hisey

Discussion: None

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Hendricks	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

V. Consent Agenda

A. Approve June 13, 2022 Organizational meeting minutes

B. Approve the hire of:

- a.** Lisa Langner, RJSBS HS ELA
- b.** Ken Howell, HPE VP & Director of Teaching and Learning
- c.** Alan Luff, HPE PE Teacher
- d.** David Weaver, RJSBS PE/Health Teacher

VI. Items for Board Action

A. Resolution #1: As we do at every Operational meeting. This sets our approved signers, prices and fees. There are things that have been revised. Meals are no longer free. We kept athletic fees the same as last year and my hope is to take the next month to get feedback from board

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members so that I can give a more informed proposal. We can revise if need be.

Mr. Hisey motioned to approve Resolution 1, seconded by Mrs. Usher

Discussion: None

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Hendricks	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

- B. Athletic Program: Tabled, Financial breakdowns provided to the board, feedback needed and appreciated before the next meeting.
- C. Food and Supplies RFP, Dr. Hattrick: This is for our food services and Sysco won the bid

Mr. Hisey: I recommend the District award the 2022-23 Food and Supply RFP #2023-01 to Sysco Portland. I recommend the acceptance of products added to the buying list as approved through each of the Subsequent RFP's. I also recommend the award be extended for each of the next four school years based on the increase in product prices being at or below the Bureau of Labor Statistics CPI inflation Calculator in March of the previous school year, seconded by Mrs. Richardson

Discussion: None

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Hendricks	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

- D. Football Stadium Lights, Dr. Hattrick: Back in 2020 we had estimates on replacing rotten light poles and the cost to switch to LED. It was suggested by a Board member that we consider doing that now with the three poles

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down. We were able to resurrect the old estimates and get updated estimates. The football stadium lights will all be replaced with LED to provide an outdoor learning and community meeting space. Cost is \$148,083.01 to be paid out of ESSER II. Vendor said they would be able to install them in August and be ready for football season.

Mr. Hisey motioned to approve replace/repair cost of the football stadium lights, seconded by Mrs. Usher

Discussion: Going from Halogen to LEDs, will this save us money?

Dr. Hattrick: Yes

Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Hendricks	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	

VII. Future Agenda Items

A. Facility Use Proposal: No new Updates

VIII. Board Comments

Mrs. Richardson: Thank you to all the parents that helped out with the Senior Safe and Sober Fundraiser down at the city park, especially to the Schimmel family for all the effort and Tami Crape for putting it all together. To the Graff family, our hearts are all with you and we're so sorry. It's a tremendous loss for not only this community but for education.

Mr. Hisey: I'd like to just say again to the Trap team, Outstanding! First time ever for Rainier and it's great to hear. I knew Mary Graff for twenty years, my neighbor, she educated my kids. There is just too much to say about her, her family and how they've touched my family and my kids' lives. I just want her family to know that we thank them for sharing her time with us.

Mr. Harding: I'd like to thank Mr. Demko and the History Club for their participation in the parade. I thought they did a really excellent job and that was a long walk. I'm glad I got to ride.

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Mrs. Hendricks: Could you look into maintenance of softball fields? Maybe Eric knows, with the girls youth softball is there a league that those junior high girls belong to?

Mr. Schimmel: Yes, we generally run a softball league in the spring time that concludes in June and then in the fall we will hopefully have a fall league here, hosting teams throughout the area, but that's something we need to work on. Fall ball is September through October.

Mrs. Hendricks: The concern about the liability insurance for them. I know that through USA the wrestling team is covered by liability insurance. I also did some checking and I know that last year Rainier belonged to the Cowlitz County Football League youth program and they could have obtained a certificate of liability insurance through that, so that's what I'm wondering, does the league if they were to ask about that, because I'm sure there's fees and everything that is paid. Is there already liability insurance that's available and people just aren't knowing the right questions to ask?

Mr. Schimmel: Yes, they're working on getting liability coverage through an organization. I believe USA softball is one option but there's other options as far as organizations to get carried underneath their umbrella so to speak. Hopefully we can get it settled before this fall. The field conditions are another topic that we need to figure out as well obviously, I'm hearing it tonight. The insurance thing is possible for softball to get insurance under an organization, however there's other athletic programs, activities that don't have that capability. One specifically, basketball, so we need to figure out this liability coverage so all these programs are able to use our facilities when it's available.

Mrs. Hendricks: Is there a summer basketball league?

Mr. Schimmel: I believe all they're doing is practicing right now and that's at the high school level. Youth level is generally during the winter time.

Mrs. Hendricks: The other comment I have is can we look into the maintenance of the softball fields up there? It seems to me that volunteers should be able to go out and help mow and do that kind of maintenance.

Dr. Hattrick: I can definitely look into it, but I won't go into too much detail yet.

Mr. Harding: Volunteers, it's not team participation, they are working on district property wouldn't they be included under our coverage like our other volunteers?

Dr. Hattrick: No, so a year ago we wanted to do a work day to clear trails and do all of that, which would require people to use power tools. Insurance said, absolutely not, you can't have them using power tools. I had even asked if we could have them sign a waiver. I'm happy to report back on that when it's on the agenda and I'll also

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Reach out to insurance and see if there is a work around because I agree, that would be great.

Mrs. Usher: Are we going to look at our board work session for next month?

Mr. Harding: Yes that's next.

Mr. Schimmel: Rainier Days events, thanks to the city for putting that on and giving opportunity for the community to come together. Shout out to Mayor Cole and the committee. Senior class for next year, we can start fundraising now. I helped with the high school basketball team, they put on a cornhole tournament and that was very successful. There were multiple events that had the support of the district. Trap team, I'm in awe. Four years ago they didn't exist. I know how much work putting a program like that, something like that together. I can't imagine going from

ground zero and doing it in such a short period of time. It takes a lot of not just coaches support but also parents as well as the kids support, so that's pretty impressive to do in such a short period of time. Thoughts and prayers with the Graff family, she taught all of my girls at one point or another and I coached one of her sons and couldn't ask for better, supportive parents to coach. . We discussed a little bit about the facilities, liability insurance. We have some great community members that are willing and eager to train our kids, teach them things they don't get in the classroom that they need in life, work ethic, commitment, accountability and these volunteer coaches willing to make our facility a better place, making these kids better human beings and we are really letting them down right now and we need to find better solutions. We need to do our part and figure out solutions.

Mrs. Hendricks: Can we have an umbrella, pay a separate fee to cover volunteers with the school district. With their help we can do wonderful things.

Mr. Harding: We had a meeting with the insurance guy and it was not rewarding. It did not give much encouragement about doing much to help those teams on insurance, but I think we should restudy that just so everyone knows.

IX. Next Meetings

Board Work Session - August 9th and 15th 5- 8 pm dinner provided.

Regular Meeting - August 8, 2022

Dr. Hattrick: Board work session. Based on your surveys, the response was August 9th and August 15th. I've texted the trainer. I haven't heard back, but there were some other questions to consider so what were those?

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Discussion:

Dr. Hattrick: Board work session. Based on your surveys, the response was August 9th and August 15th. I've texted the trainer. I haven't heard back, but there were some other questions to consider so what were those?

Mr. Harding: The 8th is our regular board meeting, I'm not sure if we could modify that board meeting and make it short enough to have the training and the board meeting on the same evening.

Dr. Hattrick: So are you proposing a 5-8, but only an hour being the meeting type of thing?

Mr. Harding: Yeah, if we modify the reports, shorten that up to just bare bones. It's a matter of board items and what we need to work on, vote on as to how much we could condense that. We could suspend public comments for that meeting. We could probably do it in an hour.

Dr. Hattrick: One of the main reasons that I did it on a separate night is that I received a lot of feedback in my evaluation about board meetings and work sessions on the same night. That was your voice and I'm trying to do what you want, so just let me know.

Mr. Harding: I thought maybe the board should talk about it and discuss what they thought.

Mrs. Hendricks: My concern is that if we shorten the time of the board meetings, we are limiting our time to discuss athletic programs, the coaches compensation proposal and admission fees. We were talking about coming back to amend fees for sports. I hate to put such a time crunch on our regular meeting and normally to have someone come to do a work session or training, I don't think an hour or hour and half is worth it. By the time they present and you ask questions, I think it's making it too tight.

Mr. Hisey: I agree about condensing our meeting and we are selling ourselves short if we do that. We would not be giving our presenter his time.

Mr. Schimmel: I will be doing my best to make the meeting on Monday, but I have already committed to a coaches training out of town and was hoping to attend via zoom.

Mrs. Richardson: I'm okay with separate nights.

Mr. Harding: You guys work and have different scheduling problems, I'm pretty flexible.

Mrs. Hendricks: I'm very flexible too, however I want to make sure we have adequate time to do the training session and adequate time to do a board meeting.

Dr. Hattrick: So if I'm hearing people correctly, I've texted Vince about those two dates and if one of those dates doesn't work for example I could propose the eighth also. Would that be okay as a backup?

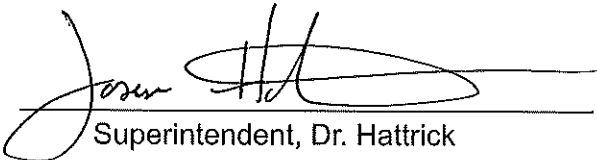
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Mr. Hisey: Only if necessary. I'm just worried about Eric. I'd like to see 100 percent participation.

X. Meeting Adjourned at 7:58 pm

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

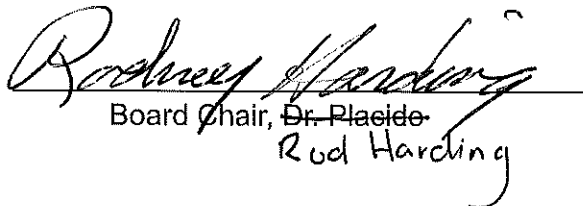
Name	Aye	Nay
Mr. Harding	x	
Mrs. Richardson	x	
Mr. Schimmel	x	
Mrs. Hendricks	x	
Mr. Hisey	x	
Mrs. Usher	x	



Superintendent, Dr. Hatrick

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Date



Board Chair, Dr. Placido
Rod Harding

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Date

