

# MINUTES

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OF THE

## SCHOOL BOARD OF DISTRICT NO. 40, YAMHILL COUNTY

### McMINNVILLE, OREGON

The Board of Directors of McMinnville School District met in **Regular Session** on November 18, 2019, in the School District Office at 800 NE Lafayette Ave., McMinnville, Oregon. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chair Larry Vollmer led the pledge of allegiance. Roll call indicated the following:

#### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Paul Haddeland  
Ms. Janis Braich  
Mr. Gerardo Partida  
Mr. Carson Benner  
Mr. Larry Vollmer  
Mrs. Barbara Carter  
Dr. Tim Roberts

#### BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

#### STUDENT ENVOYS:

Megan Bomberger  
Evan Ewing

#### ADMINISTRATION:

Dr. Maryalice Russell, Superintendent  
Melanie Martinoff, Board Secretary

#### AUDIENCE:

Stephanie Legard, Tony Vicknair, Veronica Chase, Steffanie Frost, Susan Escure, Pete Keenan, Lauren Berg, David Bousquet, Kristian Frack, Davey Altree, Kathi Fowler, Kim Price, Debbie Hilfiker, Hilary Brittan-Lack, Marty Palacios, Brian Crain, Allison Eitzen, Amy Fast, Veronica Chase, Mark Hinthorn, Laurie Fry, Darlene Geddes, Ava Adams, Brittany Sierra Ruiz, Kourtney Ferrua, Debbie Hilfiker, Kristian Frack, Amy Fast, Zoe Pearson, Reid Kimura, Bryan Thomas, Cyndi Oyster, Sign Language Interpreter, Ben Cavaletto, Sign Language Interpreter, Mimi Weinreb parent, Stephanie Legard.

#### Student Reports

Stephanie Legard, Principal at Grandhaven, introduced teacher Robin McClendon, who with her 1<sup>st</sup> grade students, Kaeleb Foster, Devin Anguiano, Mia Velasquez, Alonzo Flores, Travis Hubbard, Ryan Ragulsky, Leland Johnson, Annabelle George and Zeke Warden showed board members STEM bins.

#### Introductions and Communications

Dr. Fast introduced several students: Adan Rizo-Espinoza was recently elected to NW Student Council. Ethan Hansen has won awards and is a Math scholar, has a 4.0, and a quantum physics podcast. Annie is the social studies student of the month and national honor society president. She hopes to pursue immigration law. Ethan Weinreb is the

unified sports student of the year. Evan and Megan were October's ASB students of the month. Anna Heuberger is the coach of the year for volleyball.

Board Chair Larry Vollmer announced that November 18-22 is American Education week. He read the American Education Week proclamation:

WHEREAS, public schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they need to maintain our nation's precious values of freedom, civility and equality; and

WHEREAS, by equipping young Americans with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities, schools give them hope for, and access to, a productive future; and

WHEREAS, education employees--be they custodians or teachers, bus drivers or librarians--work tirelessly to serve our children and communities with care and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, schools are community linchpins, bringing together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders, and elected officials in a common enterprise;

NOW, THEREFORE, the McMinnville School District does hereby proclaim November 18-22, 2019 as the 98th annual observance of American Education Week.

Consent Agenda

**On motion by** Carson Benner **seconded by** Dr. Paul Haddeland the Consent Agenda was approved on a **unanimous vote**.

The Board accepted with gratitude, gifts to the District: a check for \$1,000 for the MHS athletic program's athletes in need from the Rotary Club Foundation of McMinnville, a check for \$100 for the MHS Twilighters by Wayne Parke and Amy Klaus, a check for \$250 from Citizen's Bank in Corvallis for use by Grizzly Catering, 2 glockenspiel, 5 xylophones and 3 metalophones for use by the music program at Columbus from Cobb Childcare valued at \$5,643, a check for \$375 for the Carole Newland Whitehead Scholarship at MHS by John C. Holley and Candace Newland-Holley, and a donation check of \$36,754 from the McMinnville Athletic Club for the MHS stadium sound system.

Minutes of the October 14, 2019, Business Meeting and the October 28, 2019 Board work Session were approved.

Personnel actions were approved. Licensed retirement: Jeff Autencio, Vic Downs, Sharon Buehler, Daniel Joe Crafton and Russell Weaver. Licensed new hire: Doug Barsotti and Patrick Pipitone. Classified Resignation: Eva Medina and Barbara Wood. Classified new hire: Kyrsten Kyzer, Amanda Bertsch, Stacy House, Anna Barsotti, Alyssa McMillan and Vanessa MacRae.

The Board heard Monthly Reports.

Student Envoy Report

Evan Ewing and Megan Bomberger from McMinnville High School presented their report to the Board. The envoys reported on recent and upcoming events, athletics and the arts as well as recognizing outstanding achievements in sports and academics. The canned food drive has begun. Mission Mac High has also started in earnest. Several groups are making holiday albums in the new recording studio. 98% of AVID students are going on to a 4 year institution from the 2019 class.

### Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Russell spoke about the SIP sessions at MHS on November 25, 2019. The city of McMinnville hopes to do a shared board meeting with the board of education. They want to discuss the Kids on the Block program and other items. Zoe Pearson, from County health spoke. She said that part of the Student Success Act requires districts to address student mental health needs. Right now there is a school based therapist in each of the schools in the county. There is a generational impact showing 20% of youth have a mental health condition. Suicide is the third leading cause of death for youth under the age of 24 and many have undiagnosed health issues. Mental wellness is also possible. Zoe Pearson spoke about good relationships between parents and schools. She said it would be great to have interventions at the school level.

In SSA listening sessions, Dr. Russell is meeting with parents who want help for students with mental health issues. Yamhill County health has also provided input on the priorities for the SIA. Dr. Russell complemented Zoe Pearson and her team on the support provided students, staff and families last year following a suicide situation.

Board members went to the Oregon School Board Association conference and learned more about current school district priorities for Oregon.

Financial Report: Susan Escure recently attended the OASBO conference. The district should be receiving an estimate of the amount it will be receiving for the SIA funds. Current enrollment is 6,701 students which is close to the projections.

Facilities and Operations Report. Pete Keenan spoke about finalizing MHS Construction. There are a small number of warranty items still coming in and being repaired. The work during the winter break will include giving the final coating to the MHS gym floor and wall panels for the foyer. The Wortman Stadium final warranty items are completed. The baseball restrooms, field and batting cage are all operational for baseball teams and patrons. The facilities department is preparing for winter weather and making sure ice and snow removal tools and equipment are ready.

Principal's Report: Stephanie Legard gave the Principal's report for Grandhaven. She shared that this year she is working on a daily math review at the school because data showed that growth is needed in the area of mathematics. Students do a daily math review. It is usually a set of 3-5 problems which take about 20-25 minutes and use standards set at the student's level.

### Unfinished Business:

There was a second reading for out of state travel proposals.

Dr. Amy Fast, McMinnville High School Principal, brought before the Board two requests for final approval for Out of State Student Travel.

Dr. Amy Fast presented an out of state travel request for final approval for the Twilighters for a trip April 2-6, 2020 to Southern California and Las Vegas.

Dr. Amy Fast presented an out of state travel request for the MHS Cheerleaders to go to NCA Nationals from January 30 – February 3, 2020 to compete.

**On motion by** Dr. Paul Haddeland **and seconded by** Barbara Carter, **the motion passed unanimously** to give final approval for these two out of state student travel requests presented by Dr. Amy Fast.

Steffanie Frost presented the following policies for second reading.

- GCDA/GDDA & GCDA/GDDA A/R Criminal Records Checks and Fingerprinting
- IICC Volunteers
- KI/KJ and KI/KJ A/R

**On motion by** Barbara Carter and **seconded by** Carson Benner, **the motion passed unanimously** to approve the policies for final adoption.

Under New Business

Steffanie Frost presented the following policies for first reading.

- BCD Board - Superintendent Relationship
- BDA Regular Board Meeting
- GBCB and GBCB A/R Staff Responsibilities
- GCPD/GDPD Employee Discipline
- KC – Community and Parental Involvement in Decision Making

These policies will return for second reading at the next Board Business meeting.

The board discussed the proposed Budget Calendar for 2019-2020 to work on the budget for 2020-2021. SSA is a separate application and gets voted in at the Budget Hearing in June 2020. May 6<sup>th</sup> and May 20<sup>th</sup> are the two budget meetings.

**On motion** Carson Benner, **seconded by** Janis Braich, the **Motion Passed Unanimously** to adopt the Budget Calendar for 2019-2020 to work on the budget for 2020-2021.

Stephanie Frost and Susan Escure reviewed exiting substitute services through subfinder and the proposed substitute system through Edustaff. Currently the service is through the NWESD and it works with our absence management system. Edustaff agreements is a partnership with WESD. We are one of only two districts not using it in the tri-county area (Polk, Marion and Yamhill counties).

**On motion by** Dr. Paul Haddeland, **seconded by** Janis Braich, the **Motion Passed Unanimously** to use Edustaff services for substitutes.

Susan Escure spoke about Resolution #03-1920 which deals with the School Construction Excise Tax.

This will return for a vote at the next board meeting in December 2019.

The board discussed the upcoming regional OSBA elections. The candidate is Brandy Penner for Yamhill / Polk county. There are no people running for the LCP position.

**On motion by** Carson Benner, **seconded by** Barbara Carter, the **Motion Passed Unanimously** to vote for Brandy Penner for Regional Yamhill / Polk county OSBA representative.

The Board invited public comment:

1. Brittany Ruiz Sierra questioned the notice about the school based health center. She couldn't find where it was advertised that this was happening. She would like to have another work session of the board with this topic.

2. Ava Adams spoke about the school based health center. She is wondering why she hasn't received more answers to her emails about the school based health center. Her son is in high school and has autism and mental health. She said the high school immediately asked if she wanted a regular diploma and this suggestion happens too often.
3. Bryan Thomas is worried about the school not being liable for whatever treatment is given at the school based health center.

Directors Comments

Directors comments were given.

Dr. Haddeland said he learned a lot at the OSBA convention. He said that he is worried about the increase in mental health issues amongst students. He believes that the school based health center is a way to assist with this.

Janis said she also found the OSBA convention helpful. She was in a kindergarten class today where a student was showing extreme mental health issues. She echoes the mental health concerns.

Dr. Roberts also found the OSBA conference very helpful.

Gerardo Partida also found the OSBA conference useful.

Barbara also found the conference wonderful. She attended the Veteran's Day assembly as well at Duniway and it was amazing.

Larry attended Memorial and went on a tour with a student and really enjoyed it.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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Board Chair

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Superintendent