



BANKS SCHOOL DISTRICT

12950 NW Main St. Banks OR 97106

Administration Building

Minutes September 14, 2020

REGULAR SESSION

Meeting held via Zoom

In attendance:

Norie Dimeo-Ediger, Chair

Ron Frame, Vice-Chairman

Dan Strebblow

Will Moore

Ron Frame

Jeff Leo, Superintendent

Administrators, Staff, Patrons

CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE

Norie Dimeo-Ediger called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM. She said if anyone in the audience had any comments/questions to email Mr. Leo and he would respond later this week.

PUBLIC WELCOME/RECOGNITION

There was no public recognition.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Raymond Mott moved to approve the agenda as presented. Ron Frame seconded. Discussion: There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS

There were no presentations or reports.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

There were no audience comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Minutes: August 17, 2020

Routine Personnel Matters

Resignation:

Ron LaGrone 1.0FTE Teacher

Change of Assignment:

Stacey Stoudenmeyer .5FTE Teacher to 1.0FTE Teacher

Hiring:

John Meyer 1.0FTE Special Education Teacher

Corrine Del Villar 1.0FTE Counselor

Amy Wilson 1.0FTE Special Education Teacher temporary position 9/8/20 - 12/16/20

Cory Francis .5FTE Teacher

Extra Duty Assignments:

Auschere Caufield, BHS NHS Advisor (shared stipend)

Devon Shryock, BHS NHS Advisor (shared stipend)

Robby Plowman, BHS Leadership Advisor

Tim Eggleston, BHS FFA Advisor

Robby Plowman, BHS Yearbook Advisor

Megan King, BMS Yearbook Advisor

Ron Frame moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Raymond Mott seconded. Discussion: There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

COVID 19 Update

Today was the first day of lessons with class meetings occurring.

USDA has approved food waiver thru 12/31/20. Ages 1 - 18 eligible for free breakfast and lunch. Buses will deliver to pre-determined drop off locations; people can also come to the elementary school to pick up. Emails are being sent to parents.

Hot spots were shipped last Thursday. 150 were ordered; anticipation is for 125. We were waiting for ODE and Verizon to reach a contractual agreement. This allows for cheaper units with unlimited data. Chrome books: Freya Lewis from NWRESD and Max obtained 200+ Chromebooks from Battle Ground. They were delivered to Vernonia and we picked them up over a week ago. They are not deactivated yet by Battle Ground. Devices have been delivered to the elementary and high school - middle school still waiting. We are waiting for an additional 200 new Chrome books that were ordered in June.

Elementary:

First official day today. Educational time is divided between screen time and non-screen time. Schedule is in the board packet. There were some technical problems today.

Middle School:

Still doing class meetings. 8th grade promotion was last week and a drive through recognition.

High School:

4 periods/day. 1 hour each. Lessons are being recorded. They cannot be posted on public web site.

Metrics: K-3 instruction will require less than 30 cases/100,000 over a 3 week period. Anytime the number goes above 30, the district would have to return to CDL.

Mr. Frame asked about the status of the Chrome books from Battle Ground - Mr. Leo said the information they needed to deactivate them was sent last week - we are hoping for them to be unlocked in the next few days. Mr. Frame said the concern is that 3 grades can't get started with the CDL will the district be considering extending the calendar year to meet state requirements? Mr. Leo said that has not been considered at this time.

ACTION ITEMS

Policies and Administrative Regulations

Mr. Leo said the main changes are the inclusion of COVID language and Federal Title IX requirements. Raymond Mott moved to approve the policies and administrative regulations as presented. Will Moore seconded. Discussion: There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Revision of Interdistrict Transfers Numbers for 2020-21 and Enrollment Number

Mr. Leo reported enrollment is down 36 students throughout the district.

Mr. Leo said he would like to raise the cap allowed at the kindergarten level to 15.

Will Moore moved to approve the cap at kindergarten level to 15 as presented. Dan Streblow seconded.

Discussion: There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of 1% increase on insurance benefit for 2020-21

Mr. Leo reported this is the result of discussion with the unions. The district wanted 0% and the unions wanted 2%. The last few meetings with the unions have been positive, with the discussions mostly on health and safety. The coverage offered through the HRA is the same as 2019-20.

Raymond Mott moved to approve the 1% increase on the insurance benefit for 2020-21. Will Moore seconded. Discussion: Mr. Moore asked that the board continue to be updated on the union meetings. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD COMMUNICATION

Superintendent Comments

Mr. Leo said teachers are on site Monday/Wednesday Friday, and Tuesday/Thursday are deep cleaning days with teachers off site. Mr. Leo said that there is latitude with staff working off site due to underlying medical conditions, these are handled on a case-by-case basis following ODE/OHA guidelines. Mr. Mott asked if there has been any discussion on an interim superintendent in case Mr. Leo is unable to perform his duties due to illness. He said not at this time. Mr. Streblov asked if the district has looked at bringing K-3 back on-site. Mr. Leo said there has not been discussion yet - there will be a solid plan in place prior to bringing children back on-site. It will start with a hybrid.

Board Member Comments

Dan Streblov thanked the administration, Mr. Leo and the teachers for all their work.

Ron Frame said he is looking forward to the hot spot and reminded everyone about public meeting law.

He said he is sorry to see Ron LaGrone has left the district - he is a great teacher.

Will Moore thanked everyone for their work, and said he was glad to see teachers on site. He said this year was going to be hard work, and hoped everyone would come together to have a great year. He was glad to see staff is reaching out and having conversations with parents.

Norie Dimeo-Ediger echoed the appreciation for staff and is glad things are going well.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:44 PM.