

Special Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes – May 17, 2023

OPENING OF PUBLIC SESSION

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Fielder at 6:00 pm. Vice Chair Fielder led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance:

- X - Shane Stuart-Board Chair – Not Present
- X - Linda Fielder-Board Vice Chair
- X - Bill Hagerty
- X - Diane Boisa
- X - Joseph Boyd
- X - Misty Wharton, Superintendent
- X - Ken Richwine, High School Principal
- X - Chad Holloway, Administrator of Facilities and Alternative Education
- X - Megan Kellow, Special Programs Administrator – Not Present
- X – Kristina Albin, K8 Director

Patrons, Students and Staff: Shelley Stoll, Jessica Starr, Cherie Robinson, Jason Hill, Sherry Hartford, Jim Hill, April Bailey, Jessica Dean, Tina Dean, Mary Hurliman, Tera VanDyke, Melanie Merryman, Peter Deam, Mary Hurliman, Carolyn Hill, Kristina Albin, Brian Hardebeck

PUBLIC COMMENT

April Bailey wished to address the Board on the proposal for a loan and asked for an explanation. Mrs. Bailey added that we are in a recession and no one wants to pay more property taxes.

Mrs. Wharton said the loan would not affect taxes at all. The K8 project finished under budget. The Board identified a CTE building as a want, so remaining money went there. The track and field at the High School was not in good shape. 90,000 yards of dirt would have to be moved

and being able to move it to the K8 was a huge cost savings. The Board agreed to push forward with all projects. We were able to go out for a loan with a low interest rate. What we repay will cost less than what it would have cost to complete the project at a later date. We can refinance at any time, she added.

Mrs. Bailey asked how much the loan was for? Mrs. Wharton said the loan is for 2.7 million over 15 years. Mrs. Wharton added that it might not actually take that long.

ACTION /DISCUSSION

Recommendation: Approve – Resolution #2023-5

Annual TANF borrowing to cover expenses until the November 2023 property tax posts. This is around the threshold we do every year.

MOTION: Diane Boisa 2nd: Bill Hagerty AYES: 4 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

Recommendation: Approve – Resolution #2023-6

This resolution authorizes the Superintendent to place a RFP for a 15 year loan to close out the completion of the capital improvement projects.

MOTION: Joseph Boyd 2nd: Bill Hagerty AYES: 4 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

Recommendation: Approve – Candidate, Dr. Doug Dougherty as presented, to fulfill the full term vacancy of NWRESD Zone 2 to begin July 1, 2023.

Mr. Dougherty is the sole candidate for this zone and has a successful history on the NWRESD Board of Directors.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Convene to Executive Session Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(i) To review and evaluate the employment related performance of the chief executive officer of any public body, a public officer, employee or staff member who does not request an open hearing.

Complaint filed May 15, 2023 concerning Superintendent Wharton

The Board of Directors moved to the conference room for Executive Session at 6:08 pm.

The Board returned to Public Session at 6:35 pm.

FURTHER BUSINESS

There was no further business.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Vice Chair Fielder at 6:37 pm.