

Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes – August 21, 2023

OPENING OF PUBLIC SESSION

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

Attendance:

- X - Shane Stuart-Board Chair-Not present
- X - Wally Nelson- Present via Zoom
- X - Zachary Best-Present
- X - Diane Boisa-Present
- X - Joseph Boyd -Present
- X - Misty Wharton, Superintendent-Present
- X - Ken Richwine, High School Principal -Present
- X - Chad Holloway, Administrator of Facilities and Alternative Education-Present
- X - Megan Kellow, Special Programs Administrator-Present
- X – Kristina Albin, K8 Director –Present

Patrons, Students and Staff: Shawn Best, Sherry Hartford, Heidi Schultz, Kayla Cole, Alicia Olson, Travis Love, Julie Love, Jesse Lewis, Kenny Hurliman, Nicole Hurliman, April Bailey, Greg Woods, Tami Flinter, Bob, Adam, Melanie, Tera VanDyke, Tim Hirsch, Annis Leslie, Baylee Beutel

Approval of Agenda – August 21, 2023

MOTION: Diane Boisa 2nd: Zachary Best AYES: 4 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

COMMUNITY/SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS

There were no community or school presentations.

PUBLIC COMMENT

April Bailey wished to address the board regarding personnel. She was reminded that staff members could not be discussed in public session. Mrs. Baily also had questions on policies and wanted to know if the district was willing to apologize for shutting the school down during the height of the Covid 19 pandemic.

CONSENT AGENDA – consolidated motion

- Board Minutes from July 10, 2023
- July 2023 Financial Report
- Ratification of Employment

MOTION: Diane Boisa 2nd: Zachary Best AYES: 4 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

ACTION /DISCUSSION

Recommendation: Approve – The resignation of Director Shane Stuart.

Mr. Stuart sent a letter stating he wished to resign August of 2023. Mrs. Wharton shared that Mr. Stuart is very busy and would like to focus on family. She thanked him for all of his hard work on the board and for all his work with community programs. Mrs. Wharton said if they accept his resignation there will be a revote for Chair and Vice Chair. The district will post notice in the Headlight Herold and will do applications for the open position.

MOTION: Diane Boisa 2nd: Wally Nelson AYES: 4 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

Recommendation: Approve – the adoption of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

- Into Reading K-5
- Into Literature 6-8
- Writable for grades 3-8

This new curriculum was recommended by the NVSD curriculum review committee and has been available for public review for over a month. This will align our work at the K8 with the early literacy framework that the state of Oregon will be launching this year. The purchase of this curriculum will be by the state early literacy grant. As a district, we will be convening with the curriculum review committee for 9-12 LA adoption recommendations as well as creating a five year plan for curriculum adoption in the district.

Mrs. Wharton explained that after this went through the curriculum review committee, a link to review the curriculum was sent to all parents. Because this curriculum aligns with the states goals of early literacy, we will receive grants for this.

MOTION: Wally Nelson 2nd: Diane Boisa AYES: 4 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN:

INFORMATION / DIRECTOR QUESTIONS

Superintendent Wharton shared that staff are feeling good and are excited to start the launch of a new and more normal school year.

On 8/28/23, all staff will be welcomed back for a two day in-service. The district will provide breakfast and lunch for staff on the 28th starting at 7:45. Mrs. Wharton invited the board to come and join staff. That morning will be an introduction to the PORTICO survey that all staff will complete. The survey will assess the school district's culture and participants readiness to embrace a culture of continuous improvement. Mrs. Wharton explained that this shapes what we want to be known for as a school district. The second day of the in-service will consist of mini work sessions. We look forward to having everyone back!

There were no questions on the administrative reports included in the packet.

FURTHER BUSINESS

There was no further business.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Boyd adjourned the meeting at 6:14 pm.