

## **COQUILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT 8**

December 13, 2017

Regular Board Meeting 6PM  
Lincoln School of Early Learning  
School District Board Room  
1366 N. Gould, Coquille, OR 97423

### **Regular Board Meeting**

Board Chair Misty Thrash called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. Board members present were Traci GeDeros, Heather Echavarria, Matt Rowe, Cliff Wheeler, Roy Wright and Steve Britton. Others present were Superintendent Tim Sweeney, Business Manager Teri Pointer and Board Secretary Brenda Goble. A list of people in the audience is included as part of the minutes.

### **MEETING BUSINESS**

Geoff Wetherell premised the flag salute celebration for Veteran's Day by telling the board about the go-pro camera they received through Donors Choose. He then introduced 2nd Grade Teacher Mrs. May who discussed the project she and her class put together with the go-pro and the new green screen. Mrs. May's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class recorded the students performing the flag salute in honor of Veteran's Day in sign language.

- ✓ Steve Britton made a motion to approve the agenda. Heather Echavarria seconded the motion; it passed unanimously.
- ✓ Roy Wright made a motion to approve the regular board minutes from the November 8, 2017; it passed unanimously

### **STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION**

Sharon Nelson introduced kindergarten teachers Forest Martin, Jennifer Boettcher and Elissa Counce. She also introduced Angela Dixon who is the Pre-K teacher. Forest Martin introduced his science program and students Emerson Crochetiere and Lauren Dubisar who performed an example of how the sun rotates the earth. Then Students Kendra Jones and Clay Johnson showed the board the classroom microscopes. Students Gavin Simpson and Junior Thurman handed out Kindle's that are used in the classroom to staff and board members who participated in playing educational games.

### **SCHOOL REPORTS**

**WLS**-Lonnie Usrey told the board about a new half time teaching position that will be filled in house. He then talked about the annual Learning Coach lunch; Marci Gallagher and Lori Tatum brought the luncheon food and served it for students, parents and staff. He also mentioned that the cooking class made pies for the luncheon. He went on to discuss Beth Palmer from SCBEC came and talked with the students about employment and employability. He thanked CVE for inviting the WLS students to the reptile assembly.

**Student Rep**-Sammy Huffman talked about the holiday door decorating contest and the annual holiday assembly. She also told the board about the canned food drive and coin drive. She told the board about the band concert and that the band was able to go to a trip to the Eugene Symphony. She also told the board about the Bus Jam that took place December 3, 2017 and gathered food and toys for needy families.

**CHS JR**-Armando Ruiz was unable to attend

**CHS SR**-Jeff Philley told the board about the PBIS assembly on Friday that will have students and staff playing basketball against each other. He told the board about the PBIS drawing and that the winners would get to go to Dutch Bros. with Tim Sweeney. He then told the board about the blood drive that yielded twenty-five units of blood. He told the board that December 15&16, 2017 the drama club would be performing Christmas Café at the Sawdust Theater at 7:00 p.m. He talked about the new school therapist that will be in the district three days a week between buildings. He also told the board about Northwest Fitness Trainer Henry Delaney coming to the weight room and helping get the equipment updated. He went on to talk about the upcoming Chicago trip for teachers Neil Ekelund, Jennifer Sweeney, Sam Sherman and Jim Contois.

**CVE**-Geoff Wetherell discussed the reptile assembly and how well it was received. He then discussed how well the canned food drive went and how much the students enjoy getting together so much food for the families in need. He also talked about the planning of a STEM night for students and parents. He discussed the Winter Concert and how well it went. He also told the board about the students doing an Alice training. Amy Flora then went on to talk about the movies parties that the held for students. She also talked about the tree decorating competition that is taking place at Coquille Valley Hospital and that the winners will win \$1,000 for their school. There was also discussion about the ELK's free throw competition and that the regional shoot off would be held at CVE. Geoff then went on to tell the board about the gentlemen that showed up at the school with a \$450 donation from a project he saw on Donors Choose.

**AD**-Dan Hampton was unable to attend

Jeff Philley and Tim Sweeney filled the board in on the Les Schwab tournament and then the Salem Academy tournament and there would be a few more tournaments of the winter break.

**Special Programs**-Wayne Gallagher told the board about finishing up reports for the SpEd program. He then went on to discuss the ALS and MLC classroom shopping trip on Thursday December 14, 2017. Students will get to order a personal pizza at Abby's pizza and then go to the Dollar Store and spend \$5.00 each on gifts for a classroom gift exchange Friday December 15, 2017. He then went on to discuss the new SLC (Structured Learning Center) program. The classroom will be set up at WLS school to start with. There was discussion about the cost of the program and the cost for equivalent programs. Then there was discussion about the goals of the program and how it is being planned to be successful for students.

**Lincoln**-Sharon Nelson discussed how appreciative she was of seeing Lincoln grow. She also told the board the annual winter program would be Thursday December 14, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. She said Santa would be present as well in the new Child Development Center.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Maintenance**-Marci Gallagher mentioned the upcoming projects for getting the SLC (Structured Learning Center) up and running she then talked about the new conference room that would be across the hall from the board room.

**Food Service**-Marci told the board that things were staying steady in food service and that there would still be meals served at the Child Development Center over the Winter Break.

**Technology**-Walt Wilcott was unable to attend. Tim Sweeney told the board that Walt had a recent family loss and that he still worked to get the reader board going and how much he appreciated Walt's work ethic and dedication to the district.

**Transportation**-Keryn Ogle told the board about the upcoming Cheer tournament that would be Saturday. She then discussed how the well the Shop With The Heroes had gone. The new radios are scheduled to be installed December 18-20, 2017. There was discussion about the newest bus being mechanically unacceptable for purchase.

### **BOARD REPORTS**

Home Grown Teacher Program-Wayne Gallagher showed the board information about the highly qualified teacher shortage and what incentives the district is currently working on. Jeff Philley went on to discuss the current hiring practices that helped supply highly skilled teachers. There was discussion about how minimal the salaries are for teachers compared to the cost of the education.

Winter Lakes School and the Community Center-Tim Sweeney told the board about some concerns from the City of Coquille about the students at Winter Lakes School and premised Tony Joneses presentation that explains how Winter Lakes School structures the learning environment. He showed the board the percentages of students that attend from other districts and the percentage of students on average that are on campus. He explained that students set up a schedule when the register initially and it is usually not a conventional school schedule.

### **FISCAL REPORTS**

Teri Pointer told the board the cash carryover sheet showed a decrease in funds based previously projected lower ADM.

### **SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT**

Tim Sweeney told the board that the PERS current liability is between \$1.1 million to \$1.5 million of total district costs with a potential liability increase of \$400,000 to \$500,000. Tim explained that he has been working with COSA on a presentation to the governor for PERS reform. He also explained to the board that PACE will insure the bus barn for removal costs only. He also explained that buildings are covered by the 70% transportation reimbursement for the building only if the district chooses to build a new bus barn. Tim explained that QZAB 4 in the amount \$512,000 closes on December 19, 2017 and the QZAB 5 funds of \$2 million have not been released. He then had Teri Pointer explain to the board the potential costs of a \$2-million-dollar loan that was previously discussed. Tim feels that all the concerns about the Granite Plus site have been answered satisfactorily and he would like to move forward on the purchase and the work that needs to be completed after he hears a presentation from Joe Slack on January 8, 2018. He also mentioned a potential CTE grant of \$360,000 that Superintendent of SCESD Tenneal Wetherell will help the district apply for to put towards the work on the Granite Plus site. He also feels that a possible solution to limited space would be to have the WLS junior/senior high to the granite plus site and the elementary could stay at the current WLS site. The last bit of PERS information that Tim had for the board was the trip for Teri Pointer to attend a PERS bond meeting in Salem on January 17, 2018. He said he would be attending a meeting January 10, 2018 in Cottage Grove with a number of other school districts to discuss the idea of working together to increase their buying power for turf fields.

### **DISCUSSION/ACTION**

Steve Britton made a motion to approve the following:

- ✓ Donations
- ✓ Resolution #18-15-an increase in appropriation and expenditure of \$798.49 For Pre-K screening from an ODE grant.

- ✓ Resolution #18-16-an increase in appropriation and expenditure of \$8,400.00 For 4 Teachers to attend ISTE National Technology Conference in Chicago. From the GearUp Sustainability Grant.
- ✓ Resolution #18-17-an increase in appropriation and expenditure of \$2,000.00 for a Hot Dog Cart. From the GearUp Sustainability Grant

Traci GeDeros seconded the motion; it passed unanimously

Cliff Wheeler made a motion to approve the following:

- ✓ Resolution #18-18-QZAB 4 installment purchase financing Banner Bank and authorizing the District to execute the agreement

Traci GeDeros seconded the motion; the motion passed 6-0. Heather Echavarria abstained from voting.

Steve Britton made a motion to approve the following:

- ✓ Approve – teaching position for SLC WLS classroom
- ✓ Surplus – Old classroom furniture – Lincoln
- ✓ Surplus – Old classroom furniture – CVE

Heather Echavarria seconded the motion; it passed unanimously

### **Consent Agenda**

Cliff Wheeler made a motion to approve the following:

- ✓ Approve – Tony Donato – LOA
- ✓ Resignation – Jeff Waddington 8<sup>th</sup> grade football coach
- ✓ Retirement – Dave Waddington 7<sup>th</sup> grade football coach

Steve Britton seconded the motion; it passed unanimously

**STAFF/PUBLIC COMMENT**-There was no staff/public comment

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Misty Thrash adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

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Approved