

FOSSIL SCHOOL DISTRICT 21J
Fossil School District ~ Fossil Elementary/District Office

REGULAR AGENDA

- 7:30 PM -

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2017

<u>Pos</u>		<u>Year</u>	<u>Pos</u>		<u>Year</u>
1	Herb Winters	2019	4	Terry Ignowski	2021
2	Jon Bowerman	2021	5	Marie Mallory	2021
3	Vacant	2019		Corrina Jaeger, Business Manager	
				Brad Sperry, Superintendent	

Attendance

Board

Jon Bowerman

Marie Mallory

Herb Winters

Terry Ignowski

Staff

Brian Anglin

Corrina Jaeger

Brad Sperry

Melanie Sperry

Others

Jon Moore

1.0 Call Meeting to Order

* **Director Ignowski called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm**

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

*The board recited the Pledge of Allegiance

1.2 High School Natural Resource Presentation

*Presented later in agenda –

*Katie Jaeger, Pream Intaphan and Devin Casteel gave a presentation on a horseback field trip and bee field trip.

2.0 Approve/Additions to the Agenda

*Add resignation letter from Debbie Shaffer action 8.8

*Director Bowerman moved to approve the agenda with the addition noted above. Director Winters seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3.0 Committee Reports

3.1 Co-op Committee:

*Superintendent Sperry said they did not have a meeting it has been rescheduled for next Monday, Meeting is in Condon at high school library at 6:30.

3.2 Fossil Distance Learning Program:

*Jon Moore reported all well in the valley. Two long days of training and in-service. All veteran teachers met with families with the new teachers tagging along. Currently 560 students enrolled, okayed with Brad and Corrina. We will have a presentation next meeting with activities.

*Director Bowerman - you asked the board what we expected of you - is there anything we can do for you?

Jon Moore – be in good communication with district goals and vision and the more collaboration the better the relationship will be. Liz will be here next month.

3.3 Safety Committee Meeting:

*Superintendent Sperry – no meeting this month but will have one on October 4th.

3.4 Rattlers Report

*Superintendent Sperry – up and running and having a good season. Won their first game, 18 kids. Undergoing offensive transformation.

3.5 High School Report

*Written report -

4.0 Superintendent's Report

4.1 Talk about where FSD is. The report card will be out before the next board meeting. This is the second or third year that the state has not given a grade to school districts because of the Federal changes and the testing changes and local Oregon law changes. In order to give a grade they need years of data to give a grade. I put together some data and the data we get is reported based on race. Our minority groups are small and there is little data and not reported on at the state level. Economically disadvantaged students and white students are the only groups we have.

Director Bowerman asked what is the reason for the poor math scores?

Superintendent Sperry – We have looked but do not know

Angi Humphreys – could get the numbers but not of top of head

- Will get concrete data for next meeting.

Director Winters – is this data accessible?

Superintendent Sperry – it is on the ODE website.

Science – state white – 69.5

Fossil white – 87.3

All state – 61.4

Fossil – 84.9

The testing under the smarter balance method is different then what they are used to. We have new math curriculum and new teachers teaching it.

4.2 Elementary School – Food Hero, program through a grant OSU extension. Take food from our garden and do things with it, the garden is doing good on lots of vegetables. Picture day coming up soon, open house next Wednesday at 6:30 in this building. We have our music teacher securing us an invitation on October 12 at 2:00 and will present an opera to our kids. I have invited Spray and Mitchell to come and they will bring their whole school. This is from the Portland Opera and is about an hour long play. 187 pages of lesson plans and information about composers. Board is invited to attend.

4.3 – First grade school volleyball game the A team won 2 games and the B team won their game.

4.4

Communications

4.5 Condon/Wheeler Sports Financial Report

*All money for athletics funnels through Condon's books. Condon bills us for half of the sport teams.

4.6

* Director Ignowski asked if they could have the agenda earlier then we get it. Director Bowerman said Wednesday is okay. Marie would like it earlier. Would be nice to have the packet on a Friday. We will give this a try and see how it goes.

5.0 Consent Agenda

5.1 Approval of Minutes: July 13, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

*Director Bowerman made a motion to approve the July 13, 2017, minutes. Director Mallory seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5.2 District Financials: August 2017 Financials and EFB Projection: FSD, FGS, WHS, cash balances. July and August 2017 Expense Voucher

*Corrina explained the financials. Director Ignowski asked what the lease payment was for? Corrina said for copy machine lease.

*Brad we need to turn off the pop machine off during school hours due to new child nutrition rules.

*Director Bowerman thinks the idea of water and juice only is a good idea for encouraging healthy life style. Comply with the law and still provide drinks.

*Superintendent Sperry will look into it.

*Director Mallory asked if the high school had a student store? Corrina will ask Michele.

*Director Winters made a motion to accept the Financials as presented. Director Mallory seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6.0 Audience Input

6.1 Angi Humphreys – Title I Coordinator program through no child left behind. Children in areas where free and reduced lunch is higher that is greater than 40% to qualify as school wide. We are above it 63%. I help the assessed students but I also can work with an entire class. Handing out pamphlet. Try to have a better relationship between students and parents. We are trying to involve parents in their learning process. Do family nights in the fall and spring and play games and then the parents get to take home to play games. Lets parents know how to communicate with teacher and how the teacher can communicate with them. And how to assist their students at home. It is a way to let parents know they can reach us and how we can reach them. About 56% would have qualified for targeted Title 1 which is less than last year which was 75%.

*Melanie Sperry – School did a fantastic job with Eclipse event. Loved the football field, playground and impressed with what we had done with such a small school. Jim and Larry helped line field. Brad and Zach were greeters. Foundation made almost \$7000. No garbage to pick up and a high class group of people.

7.0 Unfinished Business

Non-Action

7.1

7.2

Action

7.3

8.0 New Business

Non-Action

8.1 OSBA Fall Regional Conference – NCESD Sept. 26 @ 6:00 PM

*Purpose of meeting is to review new legislation that affects schools and school boards and talk about financing for the schools. This is one of those things you get as a result of the membership. Everyone wants to go and get a table for us all.

Herb went with Brad to a summer camp in Bend and it was a great conference. This outfit is well put together. I would recommend going and getting the training.

Brad has reserved rooms and would like members to think about attending. Goes into Sunday.

We do have money budgeted to pay board members expenses.

8.2 Superintendent Position

*Director Bowerman – This is Brad's last year. When Mr. Smith was hired he was going to take over at the end of that year. Then Brad was extended a couple years. If we are going to make good on the promise then we should act soon. With one exception all of our superintendents have been first time and had to learn on the fly. Here we have a chance to have Brad be de jour and Jim be de facto and actually doing the job. I think the sooner the better on that. The first of November would be good to get him functioning as a superintendent.

Director Ignowski to Brad - How does the flow go?

Superintendent Sperry – I don't know. I would want to think about this. This is the first time I have heard of this and it is not a scenario I have thought about.

Director Bowerman – I think it could be a smooth transition. Brad could help Jim with this portion.

Director Ignowski – I think we need to ask more questions on this. I think the idea is good but I think we need to ask more questions.

Director Winters – Being new I am not sure what the process is and so more information would be helpful.

Superintendent Sperry – I would say that one of the resources you have is OSBA and they have knowledge and history that you should call them and Vicky will direct you to an expert. On the surface I have some questions, red flags, and issues and we would have to look at details.

Jim Smith – I have went through this twice. Where the ex facto made the decisions and it is pretty standard.

Superintendent Sperry – There are advantages to posting the position to find out who else might be out there and then you would know that you have made the right decision

Director Ignowski – feel more comfortable talking to OSBA before making any decision.

8.3 2016-17 Board Goals: Discussion

*Director Ignowski – Wants to know the results of some of the goals.

They were developed by Brad and Jim and then collaborated.

Superintendent Sperry – Goals may or may not have been important to prior Boards.

Director Ignowski- we are interested in goals.

Fiscal – exceeded every goal.

Student Achievement –

Goal 3 – All 3 juniors passed

Seniors passed 15 of 18 tests.

We saw market improvement in reading with middle school kids.

Director Bowerman – Can you name a specific goal that was not met

Jon McMurray – an additional five is about all we need for next year. Technology is updated.

Brian Anglin – there are lots of ways to use greenhouse.

Director Bowerman – greenhouse lady from Madras grows 9 months.

Director Winters – explore growing riparian vegetation in there. Plant early spring and sell late spring for restoration projects. Warm springs would love to come out and show the kids how to collect and plant seeds.

A lot of risk factors for our kids.

Director Bowerman – during the school day there should be only one door open.

Superintendent Sperry – We have thought about cameras

Superintendent Sperry – put in keyless entry system to know who is gaining access and securing our buildings.

Director Ignowski – do you have an emergency operation procedure – YES

Director Bowerman – I think the staff needs to set goals first and then we could write ours.

Superintendent Sperry – give us headings

Action

8.4 2017 Legislative Highlights

*Move to non-action – Brad explained legislative summary briefly.

8.5 School Board Training On Site

*Superintendent Sperry – looked into and has numbers, \$475 one time fee for training in this room plus travel expenses. We would bring in dinner and have training. Spray and Mitchell would like to come. I would propose that we pay the entire expense and be neighborly to invite them and feed them and show them neighborly. This is an overview course. Lots of opportunities to ask question for new board members.

*Director Winters the idea of asking personal questions makes sense and being neighborly is good.

*Director Winters made motion to set up date on site training. Director Bowerman seconded the motion the motion passed unanimously.

Saturday would be an option.

8.6 Surplus old ipads and set criteria for sale

*Superintendent Sperry brought list of old ipads – you get to set the value. All ipads have been cleaned and reset to factory settings. My recommendation is to limit to one per person so everyone has the opportunity to buy them. The goal is to benefit our kids and communities.

*Director Bowerman made a motion to surplus the ipads for \$25 each. Director Mallory seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

*Director Bowerman – can we give them to free and reduced kids. No we must be fair.

8.7 Ratify Extra Duty Contracts

*Director Bowerman made a motion to approve the Extra Duty contracts. Director Winters seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8.8 Debbie has been here a long time –

*What do you do?

*We will do something.

*Director Winters made a motion to accept Debbie Shaffer's letter of recommendation. Director Mallory seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8.9

9.0 Director's Comments

*Director Ignowski – Can we move the meeting to 7:00 and keep them there – It is great.

*Director Bowerman – Can a board member go to the roaring springs ranch? Answer yes.

*Jim said we had a great eclipse and wanted to acknowledge Brad and Melanie in the hot sun working, they do a lot and we need to give them a pat on the back.

10.0 Adjournment

*Director Ignowski adjourned the meeting at 9:11 pm

Next Meeting:

Scheduled Regular Board Meeting

October 12, 2017 7:00PM

Board Chair

Business Manager