

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

REGULAR AGENDA

- 6:00 PM -

THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2019

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pos</u>	<u>Year</u>
1 Herb Winters	2019	4 Terry Ignowski	2021
2 Kirstie Miranda	2021(run in 2019)	5 Marie Mallory	2021
3 Erin McGreer	2019	Corrina Jaeger, Business Manager	
		James Smith, Superintendent	

Attendance
Board
Terry Ignowski
Marie Mallory
Erin McGreer
Kirstie Miranda

Staff
Jim Smith
Corrina Jaeger
Lari Whitbeck

Others
Chelsea Winters
Caitlin Rutherford
Penny Grotting
Liz Barrowcliff
Jon Moore
Angie Rutherford
Trevor Humphreys
Alex Logan

1.0 Call Meeting to Order

***Director Ignowski called the meeting to order at 6:00pm**

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

***The board recited the Pledge of Allegiance**

2.0 Approve/Additions to the Agenda

***Director Mallory made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Director McGreer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

3.0 Reserved

3.5 Recognition

***Superintendent Smith recognized Sandi McMorran. She helped during our flooding stages and then cleaned to get the cafeteria ready for the next day. We are transferring to a new student information system – Jon and Michele McMurray have been going to tons of training and many hours and would not be possible without their hard work.**

3.6 Outdoor Presentation

3.7 Preschool Discussion

4.0 Committee Reports

4.1 Outdoor School Presentation

***Lari Whitbeck gave a presentation on the outdoor school that the 1st and 2nd graders attended this week.**

4.2 Fossil Distance Learning Program:

***Liz Barrowcliff – finished state testing. One teacher pulls the numbers every year. WE are great in all areas except for 3rd grade math. This is normal and so we are working on this. 93% of 8th graders exceeded scores and are proficient. We have moved into May activities and have parent teacher conferences. Done at the end of May. All teachers are hired and are excited to get started.**

***Jon Moore – Done all of the required things including background checks which are shared with Corrina. We were waiting for our great exodus as we go into testing. In March and April we only had 2 students leave, no great exodus. We had 19 leave in April and 17 in March leave last year.**

***Liz Barrowcliff – As of today have filled and confirmed every spot for the fall and we are about 20 students shy in central Oregon. But we will be full for the fall.**

- *Liz Barrowcliff – just to bring up high school there is a big push and we get calls constantly.
- *Jim Smith – we can open the doors but they cant do sports.
- *Liz Barrowcliff – we would like to have a tentative plan from Jim Smith as how we proceed from here.

4.3 Safety Committee Meeting:

*Superintendent Smith – did not meet this month yet. Fill some cracks in front of HS. We have taken care of most things after winter

4.4 Rattlers Report

*Nothing new

4.5 High School Report

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5.0 Superintendent's Report

5.1

Lari and the elementary teachers are doing a garden project on the east field of grade school. Trees planted, butterfly garden. Larry and kids are working on the master list.

*Seniors return tomorrow from Anaheim

*Elementary school did a book fair and sold a little over \$2300 for books.

5.2 Kids did a great job at the Mitchell track meet

*Next week incoming 7th and 9th grade orientation

*OPB contacted last week and will broadcast live from the high school June 3-7

*Want to do local interviews of seniors

*Kids can watch the broadcast

*June 25th BNW will be here and camping on the HS field Seth will play for them

*K-6 went to High Desert Museum and had a great trip and took awesome classes for the kids

*some teachers going to dyslexia training.

Communications

5.3

6.0 Consent Agenda

6.1 Approval of Minutes: April 11, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

*Director McGreer made a motion to approve the April 11, 2019, Regular Meeting Minutes. Director Mallory seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6.2 District Financials: April 2019 Financials and EFB Projection: FSD, FGS, WHS, cash balances.
April Expense Voucher

*Director McGreer made a motion to approve the April 2019 Financials and Expense Voucher. Director Mallory seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7.0 Audience Input

7.1

8.0 Unfinished Business

Non-Action

8.1 County-wide High School

*Superintendent Smith – have reached out to Mitchell and Spray to see what it would look like to open a high school in a central area and bus all kids there. All agree that our high schools are getting small and hard to offer kids what they need and sports. They were all open to the idea and the goal is one board member from each district and superintendent and start to the first meeting.

Erin volunteered to be on the committee.

Jon Moore has done research in the past and is willing to act as a consultant and wants to be part of the process.

Engaging stakeholders is number one.

Sherman and Christmas Valley Union – North Lake has done it.

Talking high school only, keep k-8 in each town.

*Lari Whitbeck – speed is important and good communication with families and communities.

*Lari Whitbeck – have you spoken to the other districts?

*Superintendent Smith – the small communities feel like they were ousted.

*Director Mallory – I think this may work because we are all going outside the community.

8.2

Action

8.3 Capital Improvements/Maintenance Issues

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9.0 New Business

Non-Action

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Action

9.2 Preschool Options

*Penny Grotting we receive preschool dollars from the state and they are actually federal flow through dollars.

- *Superintendent Smith we received information at our monthly superintendents meeting
- *Penny Grotting the state put a hold on the ESD funds which affects all the preschools that they fund and so this affects all the other schools.
- *Superintendent Smith – we do not want to just take this over. We want to see how you would feel if we took it over or did not want to.
- *Caitlin Rutherford – what are the downsides to the school running the preschool.
- *Superintendent Smith - it is costly to the district. It would be no fee for the family.
- *Alex Logan – will it be half time or full time.
- *Superintendent Smith – We have budgeted a .85
- *Trevor Humphreys – supportive as a parent
- *Alex Logan – I like the idea of a certified teacher
- *Superintendent Smith – Angie Rutherford is the current bookkeeper.
- *Angie Rutherford – from a funding standpoint we would not have to worry about funding. We spend more than we take in every year.
- *Director McGreer – if we absorb it would the ESD no longer be a part?
- *Penny Grotting – No we would still pass through the dollars for head start and plan curriculum,
- *Lari Whitbeck – What aspect is it in non compliance
- *Penny Grotting – the childcare licensing had issued a license in August but a new person has gone out and done unannounced visits and there were a few things that are not in compliance. Not certified to run a preschool, understaffing and no board meetings and board minutes. Lesson plans have to be uploaded and when they aren't then the state comes down on the ESD. There are great things happening in the preschool.
- *Superintendent Smith – This is good for the school district and would help keep kids in the area and continue in our school.

9.3 School Lunch Payments

*Director Mallory made a motion to approve 2019-20 paying for school lunch payments. Kirstie Miranda seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9.4 Surplus Ipads, computers and laptop

*Director McGreer made a motion to surplus the high school senior ipads. Director Mallory seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9.5

10.0 Director's Comments

***Director Ignowski – appreciate the community coming to the board meeting.**

11.0 Adjournment

*Director Ignowski adjourned the meeting at 7:04pm.

Next Meeting:

Budget Committee Meeting
Scheduled Regular Board Meeting
Budget Hearing

May 14, 2019 6:00 PM
June 13, 2019 6:00PM
June 13, 2019 6:00 PM

Board Chair

Business Mangaer