

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 11, 2015

ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

None.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT: Martin Dursse, Chair
Jeanette Sampson, Vice Chair
Shawn Helligso, Director
Grace Laman, Director
Jenna Rickenbach, Director

ALSO PRESENT: Craig Hoppes, Superintendent-Clerk; Louise Kallstrom, Director of Support Services; Jodie Holthusen, Recorder (Please see Attachment A for complete list of attendees.)

1. CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Chair Dursse called a meeting of the Board of Directors of Astoria School District No. 1C, Clatsop County, to order at 7:34 P.M. on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 in the Astoria School District Boardroom. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. *COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

Chair Dursse read a statement of appreciation recognizing Jason Bigby of Bigby's Tree Service for his generous donations of various arbor services and removal of brush throughout the district to enhance student and staff safety, curb appeal and community pride. Chair Dursse expressed his gratitude for the strong partnership between Mr. Bigby and the District and presented him with a certificate of appreciation.

3. AHS STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Ms. Haley Korff reported on the most recent events taking place at Astoria High School including:

- Myra Shay Vasquez is the first girl from Astoria High School to make it to the State Wrestling Tournament
- Winter sports are ending
- It's the 3rd week of the second semester – Frosh Amnesty is wrapping up
- Mr. Hill set up the AHS Fish Feed Twitter account to provide updates for when fans can't make it to games
- Winter Ball is set for February 28
- Encourages everyone to attend the Mr. AHS Pageant on Friday night – proceeds will benefit Doernbecher Children's Hospital
- Leadership is planning for Classified Appreciation Week

- Students attended Homeless Connect

4. PATRON COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

There were no patron comments.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

The following consent agenda items were presented:

- A. Approve minutes of Board Study Session, January 14, 2015
- B. Approve minutes of Regular Board Meeting January 14, 2015
- C. Approve minutes of Board Study Session, January 26, 2015

DIRECTOR SAMPSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS AS PRESENTED AND DIRECTOR HELLIGSO SECONDED. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

6. REPORTS

A. ASTORIA MIDDLE SCHOOL PRESENTATION

Students from Astoria Middle School were in attendance at tonight's meeting to share some of what they are learning in the areas of Neuroscience and Technology. They each spoke about their specific topics, highlighting how the brain works and emphasized that digital learning is the preferred mode for today's students. Mr. Freeman showcased one of the techniques used in the classroom utilizing cell phones to answer multiple choice questions which provides immediate feedback and results.

B. *ADMINISTRATIVE

Vice Chair Sampson expressed her gratitude for the information provided in the administrative reports. Chair Dursse wondered about the struggles around the Math PLC group and asked about the current process.

C. (*)()BOARD AND DISTRICT GOALS**

Superintendent Hoppes highlighted key areas of the board and district goals information included in the board packet. He expounded on the mental health services items and informed the members that over 55 students are currently being served. Potentially, he would like to see other private counselors come in to provide services around other key focus areas. Superintendent Hoppes also announced that plans to organize and hold parent & community meetings pertaining to Strategic Planning are in the works.

D. ENROLLMENT

Superintendent Hoppes reported that student enrollment is down by thirteen from last month. Although numbers are declining, class sizes are good.

E. FINANCIAL

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Ms. Kallstrom announced that she received an estimate in December for the State School Fund. The amount remains consistent from the September forecast. She reported that we budgeted less this year than our State School Fund estimate, which is good because the funds are based on student enrollment, which is declining. Our enrollment numbers this year will affect next year's budget and funding.

F. GIFTS TO THE DISTRICT

Chair Dursse read the Gifts to the District report and thanked the donors for their generosity.

G. ASTORIA SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNSELORS

A few of the school counselors were in attendance tonight to report about their perspective roles throughout the district. Astoria High School counselor Andrew Fick named some of the various responsibilities including student scheduling, crisis intervention, academic needs, assisting in school-wide framework and work with administrators, families & community partners. He handed out a sheet explaining the 40 Developmental Assets and talked about some of the results from recent student surveys. The Board thanked the counselors for their continued dedication and commitment to students and staff.

7. INFORMATION

The following information items were presented:

- A. Resignation of Lesley Sabol, 6.0 hours per day Instructional Assistant, Astor Elementary School, effective January 30, 2015
- B. Employment of Christopher Karna, 8.0 hours per day district-wide Maintenance/Grounds, effective January 14, 2015

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no agenda items listed.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTION #2014-2015-003 – CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION WEEK (MARCH 2-6, 2015)

Chair Dursse read the resolution declaring March 2-6, 2015 Classified Appreciation Week.

DIRECTOR RICKENBACH MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #2014-2015-003 AS PRESENTED AND DIRECTOR HELLIGSO SECONDED. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

B. OREGON CHOICE ACADEMY (OCA) OUT OF DISTRICT ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT

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Superintendent Hoppes explained that Astoria School District offers an online education program (OCA) for Kindergarten through 8th grade homeschool kids within our district and county. Recent changes in law allows school districts to determine a certain number of enrollment slots for students residing outside of the district. Requests are accepted between March 1 and April 1 each year without obtaining prior approval for release from their resident district. After this date, they must first be released from the respective district. Superintendent Hoppes recommended that the number of slots remain at 25, as in years past, but is hopeful that we will be able to increase our current enrollment of 14-19 students through community outreach opportunities. He added that a lot of the students who commit to the program eventually end up enrolling in our brick and mortar schools.

DIRECTOR RICKENBACH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE TWENTY-FIVE OPENINGS FOR OUT-OF-DISTRICT OCA STUDENTS AND VICE CHAIR SAMPSON SECONDED. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

C. FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Superintendent Hoppes reviewed the recommended Food Service Committee guidelines with the Board. He added that he was comfortable with the numbers and felt that all of the groups will be fairly represented. Ms. Kallstrom will lead the committee.

DIRECTOR HELLIGSO MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE USED AS A GUIDELINE AND VICE CHAIR SAMPSON SECONDED. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

10. COMMENTS

A. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

There were no comments for the good of the order.

B. SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent Hoppes

- Sat in on a student leadership meeting at the high school with Chair Dursse – it's good to see the kids in that role
- AHS student, Gema Garcia, received the Migrant Student of the Year Award – we attended a luncheon in her honor – there will be an article in the district newsletter about her
- Looking forward to Classified Appreciation Week
- Strategic planning starts this week

C. DIRECTOR OF SUPPORT SERVICES

Ms. Kallstrom - no further comments.

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D. BOARD MEMBERS

Director Rickenbach

- AMS students did a great job presenting tonight – it's fun to see them and it's amazing how well they memorized the information
- Boy Scouts were in attendance tonight to help fulfill requirements for their Citizenship in the Community badge
- Appreciates the work, time and energy counselors put in at the schools - thank you

Director Laman

- The AMS presentation was very well done
- Thanked the counselors – they have a heart for what they are doing – it's something to be appreciated – they do a lot in the community – it's valuable that they are in the schools as a lot of students benefit from them being available
- It was cool to go to the book fair and ice cream social and have the Mayor there reading – it was a very successful fair – liked the set-up

Director Helligso

- AMS was great – good job
- Appreciates the counselors
- The artwork is great

Vice Chair Sampson

- Appreciates the art – it's amazing to see what these kids can do
- It was an amazing presentation – awesome and very entertaining
- Attended Jump Rope for Heart at Astor – thanks to Mr. Babbit – it was neat to see the Tsunami Skippers – She and Director Rickenbach have daughters on the team
- Nice to see the Boy Scouts here earning their badges
- Thanks to the counselors
- Happy to see that the mental health program has been implemented and that many kids have been helped
- Thanked the schools and OSEA for the gifts
- The landscaping at Astor looks awesome

E. BOARD CHAIR

- Thanked the counselors for everything that they do – the information that they provide to the Board helps them guide what they do
- Thanks to OSEA for the coffee card

11. FUTURE MEETINGS & EVENTS

Wednesday, March 11, 2015

BOARD STUDY SESSION

6:15 P.M.

ASD Boardroom

Wednesday, March 11, 2015

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

7:30 P.M.

ASD Boardroom

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

After a five minute recess, the members entered into executive session at 9:01 P.M. per the following:

- ORS 192.660(2)(d) – To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations
- ORS 192.660(2)(i) – To review and evaluate the performance of the chief executive officer or any public officer

13. OPEN SESSION


The Board returned to open session at 9:35 P.M.

14. ADJOURNMENT

DIRECTOR HELLIGSO MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AND VICE CHAIR SAMPSON SECONDED. THE MOTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 P.M.


Board Chair


Superintendent - Clerk