

Central Curry School District 1
School Board Meeting Summary

April 21, 2021

The Central Curry School District 1 Board of Directors met on Wednesday, April 21, 2021, for its regular monthly meeting. The meeting was held in the Gold Beach High School Library. 19 people attended the regular meeting. The meeting was recorded and will be available for viewing within the week at www.currycountyvoices.com.

The meeting began with a presentation of the District's Technology Plan Update by representatives of the District Technology Committee. Committee member Cory Simonson provided the Board with a summary of the District goals related to district infrastructure, teacher infrastructure and educational technology. Additionally, they provided a look at the district's technology growth, using examples of past practices to what is occurring presently, and concluding with a look to the future.

Principal Tom Denning provided updates for Riley Creek Elementary School. He shared about the opening of middle school track season, the revised state assessment schedule for grades 3-8, and the current teacher vacancies in special education and reading specialist. He reported about the recent parent-teacher conferences. Nearly 125 conferences were held via phone, virtually and in-person.

Gold Beach High School principal Josh Metzger provided his update. He reported about the installation of cameras in Colvin Court and Jay Johnson Stadium to broadcast school events on the NFHS Network and expanded use of the new phone system as a modified intercom system. He is interviewing candidates for the openings in special education and science. Spring sports are currently in session with basketball and potentially wrestling starting in mid-May.

Superintendent Wilson reported current enrollment numbers: 445 district-wide, equal net change from March's report; Riley Creek – 280 in hybrid and 26 in Online for a total of 304; Gold Beach High School – 116 in hybrid and 23 in Online for a total of 139. The personnel report included the resignations of Jake Bigelow (high school science), LeAnna Darling (elementary reading specialist), Kevin Swift (high school athletic director) and Chris Higgins (middle school girls basketball). Two finalists for the high school principal position will have a second interview on April 22. He also shared that contract negotiations are under way with the classified employee association. Finally, he reviewed the amounts of the various grants from ODE and federal relief for Student Investment Account (SIA), High School Success (HSS aka Measure 98), ESSR 2 and ESSR 3.

In Old Business, Superintendent Wilson provided the Board with the results of the recent community engagement survey related to the SIA grant. Survey results were similar to the same survey given about a year ago. Top priorities, based on the survey categories included: increased use of technology in the classroom, provide after-school programming for all students, continue, and increase availability of mental health and medical services in the schools, and adding more arts/enrichment at school as well as after school and summer programming. 123 people returned the survey.

The Board discussed ideas specifically based on the survey results as well as administration recommendations. This grant is in the amount of \$348,637. The Board agreed to have a work session on May 6 to further discuss the specifics of the grant in preparation for program and budget purposes.

In action items, the Board approved the second reading of revised policies related to the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA). The Board appointed Candy Perryman and Luke Martinez to the District Budget Committee for terms expiring in June 2023. The Board approved proclamations for Teacher Appreciation Week on May 3-7 and Mental Health Awareness Month in May.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Questions about the meeting can be sent to Superintendent Wilson at twilson@ccsd.k12.or.us or at (541) 247-2003, x. 224.