

Central Curry School District 1
School Board Meeting Summary

January 15, 2020

The Central Curry School District 1 Board of Directors met on Wednesday, January 15, 2020, for its regular monthly meeting in the Gold Beach High School Library.

Student representative Samantha Mazur reported about current school events. Final exams scheduled for next week are priorities on students' minds. Business Manager Kristal Carpenter provided the Board with financial reports, including an accounts payable review, budget/actuals report and general ledger cash balance.

Riley Creek Principal Tom Denning reported on school activities including the beginning of boys' basketball, wrestling championships, Oregon Battle of the Books and the recent middle school band concert. A new attendance program is in place to honor classes with the best attendance of the week. Classes get to hang a special flag for that recognition. Gold Beach High School Principal Josh Metzger shared updates regarding final exams, the upcoming curriculum night and senior projects. He stated that the new wi-fi system is in place and much faster than before. He concluded the evening by giving Board members a tour of the recent classroom furniture purchases made by the Gold Beach Youth Fund.

Superintendent Tim Wilson announced the hiring of Christopher Higgins as seventh grade boys' basketball coach and Heather Tucker as teacher assistant at Riley Creek Elementary. The district enrollment currently stands at 477 students (330 at Riley Creek and 147 at Gold Beach High School.)

In Old Business, Mr. Wilson gave the Board an update on the Student Success Act and collection of input from the community regarding the needs assessment for this process. Approximately forty people have completed the online survey or provided input at community meetings. He provided the Board with a summary of those results. The second round of community input will occur in February in preparation for the submission of the Student Investment Account application in March.

In action items, the Board was recognized with a proclamation declaring January 2020 as School Board Appreciation Month. Board members were presented certificates as a small token of appreciation for their dedication to the District. Mr. Wilson provided the Board with the Division 22 Assurances Standards for the 2018-2019 school year required each year by the state. Of the 55 required laws, two specific areas were identified as out of compliance and in need for correction: Media Programs and Adoption of Curriculum Materials. Oregon school requires schools to have licensed media specialists. Currently each school is supported by a classified library assistant. Due to lack of funding, adopting new curriculum materials in health and social studies did not occur in 2018-2019. Those materials, with the addition of this year's subject of English/Language Arts, have been budgeted for the current school year.

Additionally, the Board approved the request for an employee's unpaid leave and the superintendent evaluation time line. The Oregon School Boards Association, in partnership with the Confederation of School Administrators, has developed a new set of superintendent standard and asked the local school board for comments as it moves forward in its adoption. Finally, the Board approved a school calendar change to excuse Riley Creek students in grades K-5 from attending school on Friday,

January 24, 2020, to allow for additional teacher grading time as the first semester comes to its conclusion. Students in grades 6-8 will be dismissed at 12:00 noon as previously scheduled.

During individual board reports, Mr. Martinez shared updates from the district technology committee and the vast amount of improvements made over the past two years. Mr. Wright confirmed with board members the new procedures regarding public input during board meetings. Mrs. Sorensen thanked the Riley Creek staff and students for the special cards and signs to show board member appreciation.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the board will be on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Gold Beach High School Library. Central Curry School District 1 Board meetings are recorded and available for viewing at www.currycountyvoices.com