

**MINUTES OF THE
CANBY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORKSHOP & REGULAR SESSION**

August 16, 2007

WORKSHOP SESSION

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Andy Rivinus called the Workshop Session to order at 5:34 p.m. on August 16, 2007 in the Canby High School Applied Technology Center, Omni room. Board members in attendance were Andy Rivinus, Dick Adams, Marty McCullough, Diane Downs and Rod Beck. Absent Board members were Dr. Mike Harms and Guy Gibson. Also in attendance were Deborah Sommer, Linda Martin, Danielle Peterson, Cindy Bauer and Mary Hochstetler.

Mary Hochstetler announced the Canby Education Foundation was a recipient of a bequest of a \$400,000 endowment from a retired teacher and missionary. The donation will allow for additional money for grant requests.

POWER STANDARDS: Mary explained to the Board the process for the Power Standards and the online resources available. She also discussed the Google docs available for working simultaneously on documents. She and Cindy Bauer presented a Power Point presentation at the ASCD conference with 50 people in attendance including superintendent's from around the country. They have also been contacted by a school district in New York and one in Hawaii for additional information. Andy asked what has sparked the interest from other districts. Mary explained Canby is ahead of the game on the Power Standards due to Deborah Sommer's leadership and focus and several district's are just getting started on developing their information. Dick Adams asked if there had been any feedback from the brochures previously done on Reading, Writing and Math. There has been positive feedback from the brochures. Parents like knowing where their students should be at each grade level.

Mary also discussed the next steps for Power Standards that have been developed. The plan is for the K-12 group to meet three-four times this next year to refine and continue to look for on-line resources, as well as develop/refine curriculum maps. They will continue to develop the Music Power Standards and begin the process in the Health area. Hopefully all teachers will be involved in at least one of these meetings. Also, new elementary report cards based on K-5 standards will be available by the first trimester.

LANGUAGE ARTS ADOPTION: Cindy Bauer discussed the Language Arts Adoption process that takes place every seven years. This was another daunting process involving K-12 staff. Cindy shared with the Board the criteria used for each grade level for selection of the books. The list of books comes from the Oregon Department of

Education. Some of the books decided upon were not on the ODE list, but we did receive an approval from the ODE to use them. Several of the books came with online resources and the Board would like data at a later date on the use of those services. Deborah also said teachers are encouraged to not solely use textbooks as a teaching element. Cindy also brought the new textbooks for the Board to review.

Andy adjourned the workshop at 6:29 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

1.0 CALL TO ORDER: Chair Andy Rivinus called the Regular Session to order at 6:35 p.m. on August 16, 2007 in the CHS Omni room. Board members present were Andy Rivinus, Dick Adams, Diane Downs, Rod Beck and Marty McCullough. Guy Gibson and Dr. Mike Harms were absent. Others in attendance were Deborah Sommer, Linda Martin, Danielle Peterson, David Moore, Joe Morelock, Debbie Pearson, Don Staehely, Hank Harris and Laura Miranda.

2.0 FLAG SALUTE & INTRODUCTIONS
Board member Diane Downs lead the flag salute.

3.0 CHANGES TO AGENDA
None

4.0 PUBLIC FORUM / ANNOUNCEMENTS
None

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Minutes

Minutes of the July 5, 2007 Workshop Session are provided in Addendum 5.1.

5.2 Personnel Changes

Personnel Changes are provided in Addendum 5.2. Hank Harris also provided a revised and updated Personnel Change list.

MOTION: Rod Beck moved to approve the Minutes of the July 5, 2007 Workshop as provided in Addendum 5.1 and the Personnel Changes as provided in Addendum 5.2 to include the revision and updated list. Marty McCullough seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

6.0 INFORMATIONS / DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting

Deborah Sommer reported the Canby School District received the Association of School Business Officials Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting Award for fiscal year end June 30, 2006. Deborah thanked David Moore on behalf of the school district for his hard work and commitment to the highest standards of school system financial reporting.

6.2 Technology Purchase/Equipment Distribution

Joe Morelock did a presentation on the \$250,000 Technology purchase for hardware replacement. He also shared information on how equipment was distributed and used. The cost per child for K-12 was \$49.00.

6.3 Canby High School Update

Debbie Pearson reported the Canby High School project is on time and on budget. In fact, the project is slightly ahead of schedule. There were no unforeseen problems with the site so they were able to start right away. The bus paving is complete. The remodeled science classrooms should be completed by the start of school and the administrative offices should be finished in October. A decision on the naming of the new building needs to be done by December for signage.

Deborah Sommer said there also needs to be discussion on future facility issues in the District for a high school, the five acre parcel and future construction house sites.

6.4 Board Work Plan for 2007-2008

Deborah reviewed the draft of the work plan for the upcoming year. The plan shows an overview and timeline of key topics/issues for discussion throughout the school year. Additional topics will be added as needed.

7.0 SCHOOL REPORT / COMMENTS BY BOARD

Due to the Board Members not being assigned to individual schools this year, we will change this heading to Comments by Board.

Rod Beck has been asked to service on an OSAA Task Force on Spectator Conduct/Ethics. The all day meeting will be on August 17. This task force was established to due an incident last year involving spectator misconduct and lack of sportsmanship. No players were involved in the incident.

Rod had a message from City of Canby Attorney, John Kelly regarding the Canby Adult Center. John informed him if the adult center leaves their location, the city has to repay a \$500,000 grant. After Board discussion, Rod will contact John and request an offer in writing to be presented to the Board on September 6 or October 4, 2007. The Board also requested Debbie Pearson to have the property lines (corners) surveyed. One of the major issues is parking.

Dick Adams received a call from Dirk Borges with Canby Utility. Earlier in the day Deborah and Andy met with Dirk regarding the Ackereman Middle School fire flow project. Wayne and Debbie Pearson will set a meeting with Larry Hepler to discuss and resolve this issue.

Andy Rivinus commented it is good to be back!

8.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

8.1 August Inservice

Deborah shared her letter sent to all staff and gave the Board the August 27 and August 28 staff inservice agenda.

8.2 Staffing Update

Hank Harris gave a summary of Licensed Staff In- and Out-Migration. A total of 37 teachers have been hired this year. Canby continues to be a "destination" district. Teachers who receive multiple offers from competing districts have chosen Canby more often than have rejected us. Candidates frequently say they heard such good things about Canby or that they were impressed with the caliber of the educators who met them and interviewed them. This data will be monitored on a year to year basis.

8.3 Administrative Assignments for 2007-2008

At a previous meeting, Board Member Dick Adams requested an organizational chart of the District Office staff. Deborah presented the chart to the Board with the #1 priority being student achievement. She also presented charts on the scope of oversight required for each of the programs.

Deborah discussed the 2007-2008 areas of focus on Board of Directors Priorities. The focus this year will be continuous improvement utilizing parent, community and electronic resources.

9.0 AJOURNMENT

Andy Rivinus adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda L. Martin
Board Secretary

Andrew P. Rivinus
Board Chair

Approved: September 20, 2007