

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

September 21, 2006

1.0 CALL TO ORDER: Chair Rod Beck called the meeting of the Canby School District Board of Directors to order at 6:30pm in the Canby High School, Applied Technology Center, Omni room. Board members present were Rod Beck, Dr. Michael Harms, Andy Rivinus, Dick Adams, Marty McCullough, Sandy Ricksger and Guy Gibson. Also in attendance were Deborah Sommer, Linda Martin, Dennis Burke, Hank Harris, Lou Bailey, Tina Skiles, Joel Stuart, Kelly Schmidt, Emilio Ortiz, Sandra Serrano, Diane Berthoin-Hernandez, Craig Wilmes, Kim Wilmes, Bridget Wilmes, Pat Johnson, Mary Hochstetler, Chris Tate, Zane Moore, Adrian Montoya, Ellie Simnitt, Debbie Pearson, Amanda McLain, Carol Meeuwsen, Jennifer Turner, Marilyn Wood, Cindy Bauer, Wilma Hartung and David Moore.

2.0 FLAG SALUTE & INTRODUCTIONS: Dr. Harms led the flag salute and the audience introduced themselves.

3.0 CHANGES TO AGENDA: Agenda 8.1 has been removed until the October 19, 2006 meeting.

4.0 PUBLIC FORUM / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Spotlight on Student Success will be presented during the OSAA Sportsmanship Award Presentation.

School Activities & Update:

Ninety-One Student Council President, Bridget Wilmes and Vice President, Zane Moore talked about the Lego Robotics, Sign Language and Jewelry Design enrichment activities offered. The 6th graders are fundraising for Outdoor School.

Ackerman Middle representative, Amanda McLean, reported it has been a great two weeks of school. She loves the size of the school with no crowded halls. The Web Day for 6th graders was successful with game interaction representing different situations that might arise.

Ellie Simnitt and Adrian Montoya reported the Freshman Assembly was great. They also attended the Pacific Conference workshop with the theme of community service and sportsmanship. The student council is now focusing on Homecoming activities.

Lou Bailey reported the furniture has arrived and thanked Debbie Pearson and the custodial/maintenance staff for all their help getting ready to open on September 25. He also invited anyone wanting to work this weekend to feel free to do so.

Ackerman Middle School Vice Principal, Kelly Schmidt, reported the students and staff are excited about the opening of school. The new Media Center is not open yet, but will be soon. It is a gorgeous area and everyone is anxious for the opportunity to use it. The students love that the halls are not crowded and the food actually tastes better now that there are no long lines and lunch time is more relaxing. The smaller environment is better for learning and building relationships.

Joel Stuart, Principal at Carus Elementary, reported a smooth opening. The students are excited and he has a great staff.

Diane Berthoin-Hernandez also reported a smooth opening. The custodial staff are great and the school looks wonderful. The school had 25 volunteers on the first day. The Ice Cream Social went well as did the middle school orientation. This year they will be focusing on writing on all content areas in all grade levels. The Book Fair and Open House is scheduled for Tuesday, September 26 at 5:00pm.

Knight School has also had a great start reported Tina Skiles. Staff training with the focus of writing has taken place. As recipients of the Scholastic Reading Contest, Author Ted Arnold, will be spending the day with Knight students on October 10.

Marilyn Wood reported 403 students with five more coming tomorrow. They have had their Meet and Greet, a PTA meeting and an ELL meeting is being held tonight. The Media Center is awesome. She gave a special thank you to Rotary for the new library collection and everyone who helped get it ready. Liz Mead recruited middle school students, several adults and the book company employees. Deborah Sommer vacuumed and custodial staff were also a huge help. Wilma Hartung and Sue Walkoski transformed the cafeteria into an inviting area. Also, a special thanks to Tina Skiles for supplies.

Jennifer Turner who moved from Carus to Eccles is excited about her new place and new faces. They have 374 students enrolled, with the class size of 27 students.

Jennifer also reported for Ricardo Marquez who was unable to attend the Board meeting due to the Curriculum Night being held at Trost. With 200 less students it has definitely relieved the overcrowding.

Pat Johnson, CHS principal, thanked the 1,675 students for the best start yet. The juniors and seniors were very nurturing and positive with their peers. Leesa Beaudoin and Angela Brouillette did a great job with the master scheduling last spring and through the summer. There were very few students needing changes to their schedule.

Grant Boustead did a fantastic job organizing the Freshman Assembly and Pat thanked the staff for their presence in the halls to answer questions and offer support to the students. He also presented the board with a copy of the Freshman Planner Guide.

On Monday, October 2, Dr. Will Keim, professor at Oregon State University will speak to all juniors and seniors on "Keys to Success in College and Beyond" in the Richard R. Brown Fine Arts Center. Dr. Keim brings his insight and humor to an inspiring presentation.

Pat also reported nine CHS students are enrolled in a Clackamas Community College online Biology course.

Canby High School was presented with an "Ejection Free School" award as displayed by Dennis Burke. This award reflected all levels of sports participation. Canby was the only school in their league to receive this award. This is a tremendous accomplishment for the students. CHS strives to continue to encourage student support of all the sports at all levels.

There were no other public comments or announcements.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Minutes

Minutes of the 8/17/06 Workshop and Regular Session and the 9/7/06 Workshop Session are provided in Addendum 5.1.

5.2 Personnel Changes

Personnel Changes are provided in Addendum 5.2.

MOTION: Sandy Ricksger moved to approve the Minutes as presented in Addendum 5.1 and the Personnel Changes as presented in Addendum 5.2. Marty McCullough seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

6.0 SCHOOL REPORT / COMMENTS BY BOARD

Dr. Harms said an amazing amount of work has been accomplished with the construction of Baker Prairie Middle School in only 11 months. Emerick Construction has done a quality job and Debbie Pearson has done a superb job in overseeing the process.

Andy Rivinus heard a clear message from principals by relieving overcrowding the environment for learning has promoted a positive atmosphere for the students and staff.

Sandy Ricksger attended the first day at Ninety-One. Even though there were a few glitches with the bus schedule, the staff and students were excited.

Marty McCullough attended a Lee Elementary staff meeting. The teachers are a team building by sharing energy and ideas and are excited for the new school year.

Dick Adams once again thanked Debbie Pearson and the staff. The bottom line is the bond is all about the kids. Dick also asked about the soccer complex at Baker Prairie. Deborah Sommer informed him it would be January before additional conversation would take place with the Board regarding the Canby Kids proposal based on Canby Kids decision to move the timeline back from being on the Board agenda this fall.

Guy Gibson has been in contact with Carus and Trost regarding their start.

Rod Beck also dispelled the rumor that construction on Baker Prairie has been taking place for 18 months. Debbie Pearson and the contractors have done a phenomenal job to have the school open in 11 months. Rod complimented Debbie for her work on behalf of the district.

7.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Deborah thanked the principals for their hard work and efforts. It has been a challenging year with all the movement of staff and the work involved with opening of school. She is proud and humbled being a member of the Canby School District. We have a busy year ahead developing the power standards, technology standards and the focus on writing.

David Moore informed the board the district has received the environmental report on the Larson Property. The report has been forward to our attorney, Tony Krietzberg, for the final okay. The papers are signed and the money will most likely be released next week.

Deborah reported since Baker Prairie has been built in two phases, an open house will not be held until the completion of the second phase. Phase I included the student housing; Phase II includes the two gyms and offices. Until the second phase is completed, the Fire Marshall has restricted large tours.

A special tour of Ackerman, Baker Prairie, Lee and the District Office for the Bond Campaign Committee and the Bond Oversight Committee is set for October 12 beginning at Baker Prairie at 4:30pm. Deborah has also asked Carol to invite the City Council and Planning Commission to attend.

8.0 INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.1 CHS Batting Cage Update

As stated in 3.0, Changes to Agenda, 8.1 CHS Batting Cage Update has been moved to the October 19, 2006 meeting.

8.2 Policy First Read

Policy EBBCC, Use of Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

As stated in the Board Policy, we have funding for four defibrillators through the Clackamas County Fire Department and the Rotary Club. They will be placed at

Canby High School, Ackerman Middle School, Baker Prairie Middle School and Ninety-one Elementary. The defibrillators are the same units the Canby Fire Department uses. It will take 30-60 days to install and train staff. Dr. Harms asked why the Administrative Procedures stated to seek medical direction from the Davies Clinic. After board discussion it was decided the procedure should read physician/supervisor for the Canby Fire Department.

8.3 Power Standards Draft

Mary Hochstetler presented the drafts for the Essential Power Standards for all grade levels. She thanked the committee for all their hard work. There were very few changes after presenting the draft to our teachers. She also distributed a draft copy of the brochures that will be given to parents at conferences showing what their child should know and do at different grade levels. These standards are in three phases. Phase I will include development and revision; Phase II logistics and Phase III to include teacher lesson plans working on same standards. This year they will be working on science and social science. Sandy Ricksger said the community needs to be aware of the grade standards, and she expressed support for this effort. These Power Standards are essential skills to use as report cards for K-5. Andy Rivinus felt these standards reflect a needed alignment across the system. This helps to connect with the parents and shows them what is expected by reviewing this brochure with them.

8.4 Teacher Analysis & Employee Assistance Program

Hank Harris presented a summary of Licensed Staff In and Out of the District. We have hired 46 new teachers and 20 classified employees for 2006-07. Hank commended the leadership of the principals and supervisors for helping to bring new faces to the district. Rod Beck and Sandy Ricksger appreciated seeing how staff exited and complimented Hank on providing this information.

Hank also presented information on the Cascade Employee Assistance Program to be implemented October 1, 2006. The service provides short-term counseling to employees and any member of their family. The EAP also provides short-term legal assistance, financial information, and elderly-care support. On October 3, 2006 the Administrative Team will receive an orientation to include both OSEA and OEA representatives.

8.5 Baker Prairie Financial Update

Debbie Pearson thanked the principals and board for their support. She also thanked her family (the silent three) for their support. It has been an incredible challenge, but the school will open on time. There have been very few problems associated with the opening and those have been corrected. To date approximately \$160,000 has been expended out of the \$800,000 Contingency Fund set aside for change orders at Baker Prairie Middle School. That said it is Debbie's belief that all of the \$800,000 change order contingency will be expended before the end of the job. Debbie suggested that any decision regarding additional funds to be expended on the CHS job related to the 4th Street vacation

should be allocated out of interest earnings. The current estimate from BOORA for the Phase II street vacation is \$442,837.

9.0 ACTION ITEMS

9.1 Use of Bond Interest Earnings to Finance Phase II of CHS Expansion

MOTION: Sandy Ricksger made a motion to authorize expenditures out of bond interest earnings to finance Phase II of the CHS Expansion. Andy Rivinus seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

9.2 Parrott Creek Institution Number

MOTION: Sandy Ricksger moved to establish Parrott Creek Family and Child Services School as a Public Program administered by Canby High School and Ackerman Middle School for Oregon Department Education data collection purposes as presented in Addendum 9.2. Dr. Mike Harms seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Rod Beck adjourned the meeting at 8:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Martin
Board Secretary

Rodney J. Beck
Board Chair

Date: _____