

**MINUTES OF THE  
CANBY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
WORKSHOP AND EXECUTIVE SESSION  
February 11, 2010**

**WORKSHOP SESSION**

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Diane Downs called the Workshop Session to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Canby School District office, Meridian room on February 11, 2010. Board members in attendance were Diane Downs, Dick Adams, Marty McCullough, Kristin Downs, Ty Kraft, Tom Scott and Andy Rivinus. Also in attendance were Superintendent Rose, Linda Martin, David Moore, Carol Meeuwesen, Wayne Layman, Sondra Strong, Pat Johnson, Joel Sebastian, Maureen Callahan, Betty Rivinus, Cindy Bauer, Joe Morelock, Tim Oberg, Jennifer Turner, Paul Urke, Sara Urke, Gail Freeman, Joe Freeman, Tom VanGorrder, Don Nichols, John Dewar, Sandra Nichols, Amy Falconer, Pat Smith, Walt Daniels, Virginia Daniels, Sheri Ferrigno, Naomi Bennett, Karen Hill, Gary Schuknecht, Jamie Schuknecht, Ron Russ, Jack Carlson, Sue Davis and Kathy Breedlove.

**2.0 INTRODUCTIONS**

The audience introduced themselves.

**3.0 CHANGES TO AGENDA**

Chair Downs added 6.6 Update City/Adult/Swim Center and 6.7 Turf Field Discussion.

**4.0 PUBLIC FORUM/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chair Downs announced the four Budget Committee openings and the deadline to apply by February 19, 2010.

Sara Urke, Karen Hill, John Dewar, Sheri Ferrigno, Patricia Smith, Don Nichols, Jamie Schuknecht, Jack Carlson, Ron Russ, Amy Falconer, Gary Schuknecht, and Paul Urke shared their concerns regarding the inappropriate choice of the high school musical, "Bat Boy". An overview of the play taken from Wikipedia was read to the Board of Directors and comments were made such as the play being a violation of community values and a poor reflection on our schools and students not able to participate due to the content of material. Several people were concerned about the topic of incest, bestiality and rape being presented to the community and requested the play be canceled.

Canby High School principal, Pat Johnson explained what people see on Wikipedia is not what the students are performing. They are using a toned-down version of the script; however some in the audience felt that was not appropriate.

Superintendent Rose agrees and understands all their concerns, however after meeting with the selection committee, parents, students and community members and coming up with a solution to offer two musicals along with making sure the advertising for "Bat

Boy" states it is for mature audiences agreed to allow the play performance. Both Mr. Johnson and Superintendent Rose feel a new selection process needs to be put in place.

Chair Downs thanked everyone for attending the meeting to express their concerns and said the selection process will be reviewed for the future. The decision has been made to continue with the play and she does feel better after reading the revised script.

## **5.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

### **5.1 Minutes**

Minutes of the January 21, 2010 Executive Session and the January 27, 2010 Regular Session and Workshop Session are provided in Addendum 5.1.

**MOTION:** Marty McCullough moved to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2010 Executive Session and the January 27, 2010 Regular Session and Executive Session as provided in Addendum 5.1. Ty Kraft seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

## **6.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **6.1 Follow-up on Long Range Facility Task Force Recommendations**

Superintendent Rose shared enrollment forecast information from 2008-09 and 2009-10 along with current totals for the District. The fact that the current enrollment of 4,993 is over the projected figure is good news. He also asked the Board for questions they have on the recommendations from 2008 as well as suggestions to help move and give him direction.

Board member Ty Kraft would like to know what has been done since 2008. Have we moved forward on any items? Property values as down, so how do we get true values?

Tom Scott wants to know the true need of the District with the information we have so far taking projections into consideration. Is anyone looking for property?

Diane Downs asked about the availability of land and the sources of funds.

Marty McCullough asked about research, ideas on configuration, maximum size and programs of a high school. Marty also asked why the numbers vary so on the enrollment forecasts. Joe Morelock reported the numbers are constantly changing, some due the economic factors. Our demographer uses the same model as Judy Barmack did in the past.

Ty Kraft wants updated values on each piece of District owned property without incurring much cost. He also would like to know how we determine when the time/enrollment numbers are right in order to proceed.

Tom Scott also felt we need to update values every 12 to 18 months. We also can't wait six years to try and find 60 plus acres for a new school.

Dick Adams asked what the Board should be ready to do to proceed?

## **6.2 District Building Update**

Facilities Manager, Wayne Layman discussed the upcoming projects for 2010 and the sources to be used for funding of the projects. Wayne explained each of the projects to be completed in each of the buildings. He also reported before school is out he will be doing a walk-through at each school to determine any additional maintenance needs.

## **6.3 Construction Cluster Property**

Business Manager, David Moore reported the current construction house will soon be completed and we need to find property for the next house in order to have the foundation for new construction poured by the end of this school year. We did find property on the north side of town, however the owners were asking more than we were willing to pay.

There was Board discussion on using the Douglas Street property that backs up to the baseball field. Utilities would have to be moved and pathway for access to the stadium field. Another problem would be the liability issues related to baseballs hitting the house.

Superintendent Rose reported he has talked to Tom Scott about purchasing property from him and we have researched with our attorney and the Oregon Ethics Commission. He will come back to the Board with suggestions.

## **6.4 Policy First Reading**

*IKF, Graduation Requirements*

Pat Johnson and Sondra Strong shared information on the new graduation requirements and diplomas available and answered Board questions.

## **6.5 Budget Update**

David Moore reported based on \$6 Billion 2009-11 K-12 allocation and flat funding and expenditures in 2011-2013 the outlook is dismal according to projections. The use of \$200 million in rainy day and reserve funds to balance the K-12 budget is triggered by a minimum balance in those funds of \$300 million as of June 30, 2010 and the current balance is \$319 million. However, current State of Oregon revenue forecasts show a \$106 million General Fund deficit at the end of the biennium, or June 30, 2010, and some of the rainy day and reserve funds could be used to fill that hole leaving less for schools. The trigger formula indicates there will be \$123 million for schools instead of \$200 million making the biennial allocation \$5.923 billion. However, legislative leadership desire is to fund education at \$6 billion in the current special session. Each \$100 million at the state level equates to approximately \$800,000 for Canby, so the difference between \$6 billion and \$5.923 billion means about \$650,000 to Canby.

David also noted he and Jeff have discussed scheduling a "Budget 101" Workshop specific to Canby in order to educate the staff, community and the budget committee that would not conflict with ORS regulations.

## **6.6 Update of City/Swim/Adult Center**

Board member Andy Rivinus met with Karen Robinson, Canby Adult Center Director and she shared their concerns haven't changed. They don't own the building on the District property and want to know what our future plans are. She has board members who would like to meet with us.

## **6.7 Turf Field Discussion**

Board members Tom Scott and Ty Kraft have been involved in the Ambassador's Group for the Turf Field Project for the last several months. The group has done a great deal of work already, but the financing piece has stopped progress and Tom would like the Board to decide if we as a District are willing to help secure financing for multiple year pledges. The Ambassadors Group does realize this would be a change from the original goal of zero District involvement.

The Board discussed the possible different financing options with many different concerns on repayment and pledges not coming through. Ty noted the Canby Community does have a past history of supporting major projects.

Chair Downs requested a yes or no in support of District involvement from each Board member:

- Ty Kraft - Yes
- Marty McCullough - No, with regrets and appreciates the amount of energy that has gone into the project.
- Tom Scott - Yes, with safeguards.
- Dick Adams - No, our financial picture is very bleak at this time and it's sad the community can't come up with the money needed.
- Kristin Downs - No, but grateful for all the work that has been done, however now is not the time.
- Andy Rivinus - No, after looking at the ending fund balance it translates into teachers.
- Diane Downs - No, with regret; she would like a turf field, but it is not fiscally responsible to put District resources at risk.

Chair Downs will be attending the Labor Conference along with Tim Oberg and asked if anyone else was interested.

Regarding the opening topic introduced via public comments, Tom Scott is not comfortable about the play. He trusts the process, however the board has never discussed and he feels they should as a Board.

Superintendent Rose stated this should not have been his decision and made it extremely clear he and Pat Johnson are not happy with the play choice, however he went through a process to try and come up with a solution by offering another play this spring using an edited script. He does believe the process needs to be rewritten and also noted if the decision had been the other way around we would have a different set of complaints.

Marty McCullough and Kristin Downs thanked Jeff for the process and solution. We are providing options and need to move on to the future.

Chair Downs adjourned the meeting at 9:42 p.m. and after a short break convened to Executive Session.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chair Downs called the Executive Session to order at 9:46 p.m. in accordance with ORS 192.660 (2) (b) in the Canby School District Meridian room. Board members in attendance were Diane Downs, Dick Adams, Kristin Downs, Andy Rivinus, Tom Scott, Ty Kraft and Marty McCullough. Also in attendance were Superintendent Rose, Pat Johnson, Tim Oberg, Linda Martin and Peggy Savage.

The Executive Session was held to consider dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee staff member or agent.

It is requested information discussed in the Executive Session not be disclosed.

Pat Johnson left the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Martin  
Board Secretary

Diane Downs  
Board Chair

Approved:

