

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

May 3, 2007

1.0 CALL TO ORDER: Rod Beck called the Workshop Session to order at 6:34 p.m. on May 3, 2007. The session was held at Baker Prairie Middle School in the Media Center. Board members present were Rod Beck, Sandy Ricksger, Marty McCullough, Dick Adams, Dr. Mike Harms, Guy Gibson and Andy Rivinus. Also in attendance were Deborah Sommer, Linda Martin, Brian Field, Laurie Field, Cindy Ettistad, Sherri Killgore, Kathy Mayfield, Jon Isberg, Ryan Killgore, Kelly Harms, Swede Salo, John Ogden, David Moore, Carol Meeuwsen, Debbie Pearson, Lou Bailey, Pat Johnson, Megan Helzerman, Joel Sebastian, Hank Harris and Danielle Peterson.

2.0 PUBLIC FORUM / ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

3.0 INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

3.1 Diversity Awareness

John Ogden, CHS Associate Principal, shared information with the Board of Directors on the Diversity Awareness activities planned for the month of May. A variety of activities will showcase the high schools different talents, activities and students. The theme is "We are Canby" and are united in our differences. The different showcases will be foreign exchange students; sports/academic accomplishments; hobbies/interests; music/art and the different clubs at Canby High. There will also be a photo booth fundraiser to benefit Urban Voice as well as diverse foods served in the cafeteria. Dick Adams asked how they were handling the different religious beliefs as well as sexual orientation. John said the clubs and activities will address those issues. Andy Rivinus asked about efforts and preparation if there should be escalation on any issues. Pat Johnson said the students did not like what happened last year and have made a collaborative effort to avert any dissention. All events and displays will be overseen and previewed by the Leadership class advisor and the high school administration.

Rod Beck thanked Pat and John for bringing this information to the Board as requested after last year's problems. Nicky Kraft, student leader and the CHS Leadership class did a good job in preparation for the monthly activities.

3.2 Agriculture and Science Department

Pat Johnson, CHS Principal, shared information on the Ag Science courses for 2007-2008 offered at schools participating in the Mt Hood District FFA Program. Our program has been in transition for the past several years. He also did a recap of the Ag/Science courses taught from 1993-2006. Dairy Science and Equipment

Operation and Maintenance courses have been added for the upcoming school year. Eliminated courses are AG II, III & IV, Ag Communication and AGBE due to low subscription. The Ag/Science subscription history for four different years was also shared. The Ag/Science classes have expanded in both horticulture and animal science and continue to grow. Pat also distributed information on the CHS Core class size averages.

Pat informed the Board a proposal for a Canby FFA Land Lab on the district owned Lone Elder Grange property would be presented at the June 7 Board of Directors meeting.

Brian Field, President of the Canby FFA Affiliate, asked about the vision for the CHS Ag program. Dr. Mike Harms said this is a big departure from classes 50 years ago and wanted to know where students not involved in the Leadership class learned these skills. Pat said FFA is taught outside school hours with technical skills taught in other classes. Leadership is also achieved by working in groups with projects and activities. Also in any Agriculture class there is an FFA presence so that skills can be applied to FFA projects. Canby currently has 43 active FFA members and three collegiate members. Andy Rivinus feels leadership should be universal and a broader topic for all students, not just those in FFA.

Sandy Ricksger introduced Kathy Mayfield from the Mt. Hood FFA Council. Kathy reported North Clackamas has 80 active FFA members (between three high schools) with 160 enrolled. Molalla has 120 FFA members according to their advisor. Pat reported Canby has 43 active members. Kathy Mayfield also discussed Public Law 105-225 stating Perkins funding is based on FFA being part of the classroom.

Kelly Harms is very concerned about the disconnect between the program. She said there is federal law on requirements for FFA and she wants to make FFA the center of the classroom. We must teach Leadership, Robert's Rules of Order and Parliamentary Procedures. She said FFA strives to place community before self. Deborah will meet with Kathy Mayfield for further discussion.

The Board of Directors were invited to the FFA Banquet on May 11, 2007 in the Canby High School Cafeteria at 6:00 p.m.

3.3 June, July and August Meeting Calendar

The June 21 Regular Session has been canceled and a Workshop and Regular Session will be held on June 7. The Annual End of Year Workshop will take place on July 5, 2007 from 8:00-2:00 in the District Office Meridian Room.

3.4 CHS Student Center Update

Pat Johnson introduced Kimmie Carroll, CHS Associate Principal. Kimie presented a comparison chart between this year and last year on problem behavior. The numbers are significantly lower in most areas this year. She feels the deeper connection she and John Ogden have by working with students and the connection with Greg Larrison, CHS Resource Officer, attributes to the lower numbers. There also is a strong partnership with getting parents notified and involved. Rod Beck commended Kimie and John for a job well done.

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Intent to Award Canby High School Career Center Project

David Moore reviewed the two proposal received on the Canby High School Project from Corp Inc. and Triplett Wellman Contractors.

MOTION: Sandy Ricksger moved that the Board of Directors for the Canby School District intends to award the contract for the 2004 Capital Bond Improvement Projects: Career Center for Canby High School (the Project) to Triplett Wellman Contractors for a cost plus a fee up to a Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$3,574,500 including Alternate No.'s 1, 2, 3 and 4, contingent upon the Project being approved by the Canby City Planning Commission and Canby City Council on May 14 and May 16 respectively. Andy Rivinus seconded the motion.

Dr. Harms noted the bid came in \$250,000 under budget. Marty McCullough said she worked for Triplett Wellman over four years ago, but she has had no contact since that time. There was also Board discussion to change the wording on the resolution to read **Canby High School Expansion Project** instead of Career Center.

Motion passed 7-0.

Andy Rivinus invited anyone in support of the project to attend the Canby Planning Commission meeting on Monday, May 14, 2007.

Superintendent Sommer also shared information on District wide Safety Projects for bleachers and other safety projects at Ninety-one and Trost as priorities for use of remaining interest earnings for the 2004 Capital Improvement Bond.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. and Executive Session resumed.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Martin

Board/Superintendent Secretary

Rodney J. Beck
Board Chair

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