CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Dick Adams called the Workshop Session for the Canby School District Board of Directors to order at 5:32pm on February 3, 2005, at Canby High School, Applied Technology Center. Board members in attendance were Rod Beck, Charlie Stinson, Sandy Rickseger, Dr. Mike Harms and Marty McCullough. Also in attendance were Superintendent Deborah Sommer, Karen Carroll and Mary Hochstetler. Sondra Strong, Joe Morelock, Cindy Bauer, Tina Skiles, and Elaine Morelock and others joined the meeting in progress.

ESD Budget Committee: Superintendent Deborah Sommer shared Clackamas Education Service District is seeking Budget Committee members. Interested Board members should contact Mary Ann Grokett 503-675-4003 for more information.

School Improvement – Part I: Deborah shared with the Board the district did not meet AYP (Annual Yearly Progress) for the second year. Mary Hochstetler explained sanctions, such as offering other options for educational services, would be placed on the District if we continue to not meet AYP. She also presented the timeline for school districts to meet standards and said that by 2014 all students must meet standards in reading and math. A plan for next year needs to be in place by April 4. Sondra Strong explained Eccles is using the Read 180 program as an intervention. 49 students are enrolled Monday through Thursday from 7am-9am.

Deborah invited the Board to attend a presented by Clementina Salinas, Superintendent of Oregon Trail School District, on Wednesday, February 9 at 4pm in the OMNI Room. Dr. Salinas will be presenting information on ELL students.

PAC Presentation: Elaine Morelock, teacher on special assignment funded by a Title VII grant, oversees the Parent Advisory Committee. She explained the group is comprised of parents with children in our ELL/migrant programs and work to increase the parent involvement in schools. Parents gain information about the educational system and also learn more about the importance of getting involved in their children’s education. A slide show of events that the group has participated in was presented.

Four parents, Blanca Perez, Heriberto Aguilar, Adriana and Antonia, spoke about their personal experiences with the program. All shared their positive support for sharing ideas, learning about educational options available and learning ways to help their children academically. Antonia said she has also helped to form a club at Trost to teach kids their culture and tradition of embroidery. The class also incorporates a half hour of reading and math.
Board members thanked the group for sharing and expressing the common theme of what is good for children. Charlie Stinson also said there was an upcoming opportunity for people to run for the School Board. The Board was invited to attend a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Carroll
Board Secretary

Guy Gibson Date: February 17, 2005
Board Chair