

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

March 16, 2006

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Dick Adams called the Workshop Session for the Canby School District Board of Directors to order at 5:00pm on March 16, 2006, at Canby High School, Applied Technology Center. Board members in attendance were Rod Beck, Marty McCullough, Dr. Mike Harms, Sandy Ricksgger, and Andy Rivinus. Also in attendance were Superintendent Deborah Sommer, David Moore, Debbie Wilder, Joe Morelock, Debbie Pearson, Hank Harris, Diane Berthoin-Hernandez, Carol Meeusween, Travis Opperman, Joel Sebastian, Ray Hughy, Bill Harper, Sondra Strong, parents and students from 91, Suzie Strangfield, Noel Hygelund, Marilyn Wood, John Vaudt, Wilma Hartung, and Tina Skiles.

**WORKSHOP SESSION**

- **LAND ACQUISITION**

Debbie Pearson presented questions for the Board to discuss in regard to long term planning for the district. The Board began discussion regarding various properties owned by the district. There was concern expressed regarding the Lone Elder property. The Board will continue discussion regarding the relationship with the Lone Elder community. Current users will be notified that continued usage of the building at Lone Elder will be on the April agenda. There will also be discussion at that time regarding partitioning of property, junior baseball, intentions for Baker Prairie property, and lots for construction cluster. The Board directed the long range plan for district property be in place by Spring 2007.

**HEARING TO EXEMPT LOW BID FOR SUMMER 06 PROJECTS**

Chairman Adams opened the hearing at 6:15 pm to solicit public input. There were no public comments. The hearing was closed at 6:17 pm.

**REGULAR SESSION**

The regular session was called to order at 6:30

**2.0 FLAG SALUTE & INTRODUCTION**

Marty led the flag salute and Chairman Adams had the audience introduce themselves.

**3.0 CHANGES TO AGENDA - none**

**4.0 PUBLIC FORUM / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Spotlight on Student Success**

Ninety-One student Joshua presented a video he put together regarding the reading buddies program at the school. There were four 3<sup>rd</sup> graders present to show a slide show on their service-learning project. The children passed out an invitation to board members to attend "Art Attack" at Ninety-One on May 9 at 6:00 pm, to raise money for their green house.

- **School Activities & Update**

CHS - Karlie Richardson

The high school Student Body Association is leading the PAC 9 schools in building a house for Habitat for Humanity. They will work one day a week during the summer. Each school has to earn \$350 to help pay for supplies for the family. The high school will be having elections in April, Prom on April 22 at the zoo and a talent/cultural assembly in May.

Marilyn Wood, current principal of Eccles and appointed principal of Lee Elementary for the 2006-07 school year, met with parent of students that will be attending Lee in the fall. They had put together a packet for parents with a brochure, school calendar, The Facts Sheet, and a boundary map for parents. The evening was very successful with everyone feeling very positive.

Danni VonHalo presented for Canby Education Association. Their Spring Fling is April 27 at 6:30 in the 4-H building at the Fairgrounds. A local author will be speaking and 91 students will be presenting.

Tom Feller, a member of the boundary committee, questioned what would happen to local school committee people who will no longer be in the boundary for that school. The Board will have discussion regarding that issue

and inform the schools of the protocol that will be put into place. LSC positions are elected. We will seek direction from the county on any legalities involved.

## **5.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

### **5.1 Minutes**

Minutes of the February 16, 2006 regular session and March 2, 2006 workshop are provided in Addendum 5.1

### **5.2 Personnel Changes**

Personnel Changes are provided in Addendum 5.2.

**Rod moved to accept the consent agenda as presented. Sandy seconded the motion. Doc Harms noted the number of resignations and was curious why there were so many. Hank responded that it is because we have contacted people to let us know so they are consolidated in this month. The motion passed unanimously.**

## **6.0 AUDIT REPORT - will move this item to the April meeting**

## **7.0 ACTION ITEMS**

### **7.1 SPR&I Action Plan (Special Ed Performance Review and Improvement)**

Sondra Strong, Betty Rivinus, presented the plan to the board. The District went through a similar process in 2000-2001. We had 18 months to accomplish what this year we only have 5 months. Sondra wanted to look at programs K-12 and with all demographic groups.

### **7.2 Appointment of Budget Committee**

**Sandy moved to appoint - Rod seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

### **7.3 Alternate Bidding Process for Summer 06 Bond Projects**

David presented to the Board to bring alternate bidding process

**Andy moved to adopt resolution authorizing..... Marty seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

### **7.4 Policy Second Read**

IGBAG - Special Education - Procedural Safeguards

IGBAH - Special Education - Evaluation Procedures

JECB - Resident Student Inter-District Transfer

JGDA/JGEA - Special Education - Discipline

**Sandy moved to adopt policies identified in 7.4. Rod seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

## **8.0 SCHOOL REPORT/COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS**

Sandy encouraged everyone to attend the Beauty and the Beast performance by the high school.

Ninety-one had spirit week - each day had a different theme.

Rod reported the bond oversight committee was snowed out last week.

March 2 there was a read along at the Knight school - over 700 people attended the event.

Marty attended the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary at Eccles with Sock Hop and bowling in the hall plus other activities.

Dick went to OSBA legislative policy meeting. He is part of a group that volunteered to help develop agenda and policies for the legislation. The Governor's plan in May will put together a draft as a result of the information developed. Deborah was identified as one of the top 10 Tech Savvy Superintendent's in the country. Dick went to the boy's basketball's last game at Lake Oswego. They lost but played hard and had exceptional sportsmanship.

## **9.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **9.1 Mid Year Progress Report (relative to Board priorities)**

Included in the packet were activates from this year - that are consistent with the 4 Board priorities.

Power standards for math and reading will be in place this fall. Right now we just have the state standards in place. They are not specific enough and difficult for parents to understand. There are Vice principal positions open - Hank is involved with the interviews. There will be four Carus teachers, three classified staff, parents, other principals, board member, and Hank to look at applications for principal.

There will be a meeting Monday with Barbara to put together a list of child care providers. There will be one more mailing district wide and then principals will put out their kindergarten round up information. Sandy feels this list is impressive with all the things accomplished that still have to be done. People hired have done a good job. Notifying staff - most moving have been by choice with very few involuntary transfers and most because of enrollment issues. Interviews in fall - honoring the choices that were made at that time. People know their principals now, except Carus, so there is some stability with that. Will know by spring break where all the certified staff will be and will be making decisions about classified shortly there after.

## **10.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **10.1 Bond Update**

Progress is going well at Baker Prairie - documents will be hitting the street at the end of March - bids are due by April 27 with a recommendation to the Board in May for contractor work to begin in the summer. Any RFP's are due March 30 - will have information for the April board meeting. We expect a greater amount of participation in this bidding process. Molalla is looking at putting a bond on the ballot to build a new middle school. The estimated cost for that building is 35 million. We can feel good about our costs and the timing for our project.

### **10.2 Budget Update (2006-2007)**

David presented the update and gave an overview projection for next year. May 1 will be the first budget committee meeting.

### **10.3 Team Up Proposal / COSA**

We are still waiting to hear from COSA regarding the team up proposal. This item will be placed on the front end of the April 6 meeting. The timeframe would be an hour and a half with other patrons there. We must develop a communication plan to get out positive information to the community, This would be a pilot program for other districts. The board needs to decide if it is something they want to do. This is the time to reach out to the community to have discussion about the schools and what the community wants for their schools. Sandy feels it is a good time to reach out when we're not asking the community for anything. Andy thinks we should be careful how we craft the document. Could send out a message that may not be productive for community members - if we say that even with the cuts, test scores are still good, it may say to the community that the cuts are good. Schedule for the April meeting: dinner at 5-5:30; Team up discussion from 5:30 -7:00; and the workshop from 7:00 - 9:00.

### **10.4 Upcoming Board Workshop - High School Direction**

Deborah will be attending the high school leadership team retreat. There will be discussion regarding the impact with the new graduation requirements. She will meet with Pat to put together an agenda. The interesting space piece will be brought back to the Board for discussion. They talked a few years ago about future focus and this past fall about the freshman house. There were past conversations regarding the ASVAB. It is good to bring these pieces forward and bring resolution. There will be talk about the school to work model starting before high school. There is a piece in the plan regarding 8-9 transition. Two years ago there was talk about the number of freshman that had failed at least one class. There is a need to look at what is being done about freshman that typically fail at least one class to help them be successful. There needs to be a master plan for curriculum at the high school. There needs to be inventive discussion about creative scheduling. Teachers can also be coaches who spend one day or one period a week away coaching with a sub coming in. We need to make sure the sub coming in is able to continue the teaching. They are missing a day a week. In some of the agriculture classes, teachers are expected to teach 4 different subjects. If there are not enough students to fill those classes they may need to restructure the classes. It is not fair to the instructors or students.

### **10.5 Policy First Read**

Policy AE - District Goals

Policy CBA - Qualifications and Duties of the Superintendent

Policy ECAAA - Employee Identification Badge System

Policy IA - Instructional Goals

Policy IKGA - Certificate of Initial Mastery (CIM) Proficiency Standards

Board members should have badges to identify them. Any board member that does not have a badge can obtain it at the district office.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

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DICK ADAMS, BOARD CHAIR

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DEBBIE WILDER, BOARD SECRETARY