

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

On February 13, 2017, Chairman Penrod called the regular school board meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the high school.

2.0 ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mark Penrod, George Frasier, Parker Leigh, Chris Wyne, Rebekah Schneiter, David Goracke, Eric Gerber.

Others: Brian Gardner, Susan Beaudin, Amanda O'Brien, Jon Zwemke, Celeste Van Cleave, David Karo, Conor Delaney, Johnna Neal, Dena Crowell, Valerie Stutzman, Kathy Smith, Ella Reece, Allison Kirk, Christopher Huff, Allison Crowell, Jessica Neal, Norman Simms, Anne Reece, Valerie Stutzman, Abby Stutzman, Sara Kirk, Jeremy Kirk, Jody and Heidi Whitehair, Ashley Shofner, Sue Frasier, Debie Wyne, Jennifer Ashcraft, Eldon Albertson, Joshua Reece and others.

3.0 GOOD OF THE ORDER/COMMUNICATIONS

3.1 Agenda Adjustments – Add 3.9 FFA Presentations

3.2 School Board Appreciation – In recognition of School Board Appreciation month, Superintendent Gardner acknowledged the school board for their time and energy spent serving on the Board.

3.3 Building Reports – Principal O'Brien reported Cobra Club is concentrating on building diversity and team building amongst students and staff. Teachers are voluntarily using the formative assessment grant for assessing students for each activity and participating in peer observations. This year the elementary (Focus School status) will not be ranked as tests are not comparable this year but we know we have been making improvement. A third party did a comparison and ranking of all schools. Ms. O'Brien shared in part, their compliment: "Central Linn Elementary's outcomes over the past four years are notable. Central Linn began in the bottom 15% of Title I schools in the state when identified as a Focus School. If rankings were done currently, the school would be in the top 11% of all elementary and middle schools in the state (89th Percentile), and in the top 3% of those that are demographically similar. Central Linn would likely qualify as a high-performing school. This is stellar progress/improvement over the course of the four years in improvement. The school staff and leadership should be commended for this remarkable shift upward." Principal Zwemke reported seniors are receiving college acceptance letters and others wrapping up for graduation. Cheerleaders participated in state competitions and placed 3rd in state.

3.4 Student body Report – Aubrey Ashcraft, Student Body Representative, reported the recent winter formal was well attended. Upcoming activities are Classified Week and Unity Week.

3.5 Facilities/Maintenance Report – Facility notes and a School Dude report reflecting the status of work orders and the beginning of a preventive maintenance plan were submitted for Board review.

3.6 Superintendent Awards – Each month, teachers may nominate students for the Superintendent's Awards. The award is given in recognition of outstanding personal accomplishments. Recipients for February were: Ella Reece, third grade; Allison Kirk, fifth grade; Christopher Huff, seventh grade; and Allison Crowell, ninth grade.

- 3.7 **2015-2016 Audit Report** – Conor Delaney from Pauly Rogers, and Co. reported a clean financial audit for 2015-2016. He did comment the district should consider, (but not mandatory) operating the student body accounts in Infinite Visions the same operating system the district uses for all other business accounts. To have one accounting system would allow better access and management of all accounts by the business manager.
- 3.8 **Graduation Report** – Principal Zwemke gave an extensive report on what is considered a four-year graduation rate; where Central Linn sets in comparison to the state rate; explained non-completers, and the multitude of methods, programs, and activities Central Linn offers its students.
- 3.9 **FFA Student Presentations** – FFA Students, Jessica Neal, and Abby Stutzman, in preparation for their upcoming state public speaking competitions, practiced making their presentations to the Board.

4.0 ACTION/BUSINESS

- 4.1 **Approve Meeting Minutes** - Director Frasier moved to approve the minutes of the regular January 9, 2017, school board meeting; and the January 23, and February 8, work sessions as submitted. Director Wyne second, motion passed 7-0.
- 4.2 **Non-Renew Temporary Staff** – Director Goracke moved to non-renew the temporary teaching contracts for: Tiffani Day, Stacie Mauch, Johnna Neal and Katharine Smith. These employees have been personally contacted and know that if these positions are posted for next year they may reapply. This is the practice of the District and bears no reflection on an employee's performance.
- 4.3 **Determine District Transfer and Open Enrollment Availability** – Director Wyne moved to approve continuing to accept inter-district transfers and open enrollment students for 2017-2018 as follows: 6 kindergarten; 6 first grade; 6 second grade; 6 third grade; 6 fourth grade; 8 fifth grade; 8 sixth grade; 10 seventh grade; 15 eighth grade; 8 freshmen; 15 sophomores; 15 juniors and 15 seniors. Director Goracke second, motion passed 7-0.
- 4.4 **Adopt Budget Meeting Calendar** – Director Goracke moved to adopt the budget meeting calendar for preparing the 2017-2018 Budget as submitted. Director Wyne second, motion passed 7-0.
- 4.5 **Make Decision on Brownsville Gym** – Chairman Penrod reminded the Board of the lengthy discussion it had regarding the Brownsville property at the last work session primarily around Willamette Neighborhood Housing (WNH) and their utilization of the gym and the cost of repairs it will need and the usefulness to the community. Board members further commented: clean break from liability; expense we don't need right now considering upcoming budget; emotionally attached but the intelligent thing to do is to dispose of the property; fear if we don't include it in the sale to WNH we might lose the offer and it become a much larger liability; maintenance of the property no longer benefits the student of Central Linn; we can't afford to maintain it for community use when they don't want to help pay for it. Director Frasier moved to include the gym, all buildings, and trees, in the sale of property to Willamette Neighborhood Housing. Director Leigh second, motion passed 7-0.

5.0 REPORTS

- 5.1 **Financial** – Celeste Van Cleave reported on recent revenue and expenditures and the Federal Audit for the Department of Education. Ms. O'Brien and Ms. Van Cleave were commended on the very thorough and organized documentation they submitted. Ms. Van Cleave addressed the

auditor's earlier suggestion the student accounts be managed with the same system as district accounts. She indicated the district would consider moving to a program that interfaces with Infinite Visions soon.

Ms. Van Cleave informed the Board this year the legislative session could go into July, therefore; making it more difficult for districts to budget for next year. The first budget estimate from the state comes the first of March, then the second estimate in May, and then a definite number after the Legislature adjourns. Superintendent Gardner stated the Governor's budget is estimated at \$8 billion; Co-chair's \$7.8 billion; for us the Governor's budget is a \$500,000 budget cut. We must choose a number and work around it; if we guess wrong we must figure it out but he wants to avoid any layoffs in August.

5.2 Superintendent – Mr. Gardner reported Central Linn had a team of DECA students competing in business events in Portland. He extended kudos to Amanda O'Brien and Celeste Van Cleave on the successful Title audit. He also explained the difference between Tier I and II ESD funding and how superintendents were meeting this week to discuss possibly changes to how those funds are designated.

6.0 RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Penrod recessed the regular meeting to executive session under the authority of ORS 192.660(2)(i) to Review Chief Officer Performance at approximately 8:42 p.m.

7.0 RECONVENE/ADJOURN

Chairman Penrod reconvened the regular meeting at approximately 9:31 p.m. and with no further business before the Board the meeting immediately adjourned.



Susan Beaudin, Board Secretary



C. Mark Penrod, Board Chairman

3-13-17

Date Approved