

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

On Friday, February 19, 2016, Chairman Penrod called to special board meeting to order at 6:00pm in the conference room of the district office.

2.0 ROLL CALL

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

Employees: Brian Gardner, Superintendent, Celeste Van Cleave, Business Manager.

Others: Jennifer Johnson, Patty Linn, Mike Smith and Sue Frasier

3.0 DISCUSS SECOND BOND MEASURE

Superintendent Gardner presented attendance records from Oregon Department of Education dating 1968 to present.

Further discussion on bond scenarios presented at board work session; specifically Options 2 & 3. Discussed placing portables instead of building or repairing existing structure. Approximate cost is \$125-\$150/sq ft. Current high school has 22 classrooms. Portable scenario does not include cafeteria or gyms. Questioning regarding longevity of portables.

Discussion of whether to pursue a second measure. Director Penrod stated it would be a waste of money, creates fire sale scenario to plot two measures against each other. Director Leigh stated Halsey and Brownsville city bonds will have passed within 10 years by the time district pursues a follow up measure. Director Thomas stated future interest rates are unknown, akin to gambling with tax payer dollars.

Director Wyne's opinion to stick with original plan; don't want to come back in 10 years asking for additional bond. Budget is already tight, the current status of buildings is a result of constrained maintenance budget. Option 2 or 3 does not address track replacement. Director Wyne does not want turf field. Director Frasier stated turf fields only last 8-10 years anyway.

Director Wyne mentioned the compromise option would be \$15 million or more over 10 years but comes at greater dollar per thousand. Director Penrod stated the work done with only \$15 million won't last fifteen or twenty years. Director Gerber added that state money is only for education whereas other districts have local option levies.

Superintendent Gardner hopes to have a reserve at end of project that according to the previously approved resolution can only be used for capital costs to fund facilities projects. Director Penrod added that bond proceeds cannot be used for regular maintenance.

Superintendent Gardner stated that the life span of buildings and maintenance are intertwined. Existing buildings are worn out and district has not done a maintenance bond in 26 years; building condition is not a result of neglect. Director Penrod commented that quarterly and annual maintenance upkeep on newer buildings would not be as difficult as nuances of existing buildings.

Director Wyne questioned if there were restrictions on the \$4 million state match or can it be set aside in a separate fund? Business Manager, Celeste Van Cleave, stated that the \$4 million is rolled in with other bond proceeds that have to be expended within 3 years of issuance and that the resolution already addresses remaining funds.

Patty Linn commented that closure of Brownsville building in early 90s is still a discussion point in that city.

4.0 ACTION

4.1 Determine Placing a Second Measure on the Ballot

Director Penrod posed the question to the Board if they wanted to pursue a second bond measure on the May 2016 election. Consensus among Board members was a unanimous NO.

4.2 Determine Dollar Amount – No discussion

4.3 Determine Use of Bond Dollars – No discussion

5.0 ADJOURN

Chairman Penrod adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:45 p.m.



Celeste Van Cleave, Business Manager



C. Mark Penrod, Chairman

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Date Approved