

**Skamania School District #2
Regular Scheduled Board Meeting**

Minutes

April 17, 2023

6:30pm-8:30pm

Skamania School Library

Attendees:

Angus Anderson, Lisa Young, Milt Dennison, Donald Collins, Cynthia Dominik Medlin

Excused: Martin (Rowdy) LaFevers

Staff: Katie Chavarria, Michelle Miller, Amber Warren, Heather Whitman

Call to Order

Angus Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

Flag Salute

Changes to the agenda

There were no changes to the agenda

Public Comment

No public comment

Consent Agenda

- Approval of the March 20, 2023 Regular Board Meeting minutes
- Approval of bills and payroll

Cynthia Domnik Medlin moved to accept the consent agenda, Donald Collins seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously

General Fund: Accounts payable warrant numbers 029655 through 029673 totaling \$26,281.88

Payroll and benefits (Payroll A/P) warrant numbers 029674 through 029682 totaling \$109,633.44

Unfinished Business

- Transportation Update

Amber Warren shared that bus #3 is ready to be picked up.

Mr. Dennison shared that Skamania School has the opportunity to change the format of the EV bus so that it is ADA compliant. There will be a cost increase of around \$5,000. However, this cost increase covers the lift, floor tracking and extra seats to be used if there is not a wheelchair on board.

Donald Collins moved to approve the \$5,000 budget increase by using funds in the transportation fund. Lisa Young seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- Walking/Jogging Path- Recommendation to Approve Proposal

Lisa Young stated that she appreciated the time Shane took with them to review the proposal and asked that the wording be changed as stated "at a width of 4 feet". Lisa Young also stated that she appreciates the time and effort of Michelle Miller.

Lisa Young moved to approve the Walking/Jogging path proposal with the wording changed to "at a width of 4 feet", Donald Collins seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously

- Board/Staff Session- Set new meeting date

The new date for the board/staff listening session has been set for May 24th, 2023

- Board Workshop - Set meeting date

The date for the Board Workshop has been postponed due to a Board member being out of the country, and the Board will revisit this topic during the May Regular Board Meeting.

New Business

- Contract Offer- Emergency Substitute
 - Phoebe Jud

Donald Collins moved to approve the contract offer to Phoebe Jud for the position of long term substitute, Lisa Young seconded the motion.

Discussion;

Lisa Young asked if both contracts that are presented are for both employment and supplemental. Mr. Dennison shared that yes, there are two contracts one for supplemental and the other for employment. Lisa Young asked if this contract will be offered to Ms. Jud again for the 23-24 school year. Mr. Dennison shared at this point and time we will be posting the position to see what other applicants may be out there, and to give time to see how the next two months go with Ms. Jud.

the motion passed unanimously

- Evaluation of the Superintendent- Angus Anderson

Chairman Angus Anderson went over the evaluation of Superintendent Dennison

Cynthia Dominik Medlin moved to accept the evaluation process that is dated March 31, 2023, Donald Collins seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- Superintendent Contract 2023-2024 - Board Discussion and Approval

The Skamania School Board thoroughly went through the drafted 2023-2024 Superintendent contract and determined that they would like to proceed with a contract for the 23-24 school year for Mr. Dennison.

Lisa Young moved to approve the proposed Skamania School District #2 Superintendent contract for 2023-2024 school year for Mr. Milt Dennison. Cynthia Dominik Seconded the motion passed unanimously.

- 2023-2024 School Year Calendar

Donald Collins moved to approve the the drafted Skamania School District #2 2023-2024 school year calendar. Lisa Young seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- Emergency School Closure Waiver

Donald Collins moved to approve the submission of the five (5) day waiver to OSPI due to the weather and septic challenges that occurred this winter. Cynthia Dominik seconded the motion.

Discussion;

There was discussion between board members regarding why Skamania School is requesting a waiver. Lisa Young asked how teachers will make up the time when they are funded for 1,027 hours? Mr. Dennison and Mrs. Chavarria shared that there are multiple PD options available, one of which is called GLEAN Education. This PD offers 23-25 hours of professional development. There will be several planning meetings for teachers that will cover expectations within the building. Lisa Young went over the hours and asked how the remaining hours would be made up? Mrs. Chavarria shared that it will be "good faith". Teachers put in extra hours between PTO Events, after school clubs and planning that their hours will be attained without issue. The motion passed unanimously.

- 2023-2024 Budget Status Update - Charles Hole

Mr. Hole thoroughly went through the Skamania School District budget which showed projections through the remainder of the 22-23 school year. Mr. Hole stated that he would like to proceed with a budget extension to ensure Skamania School District's expenses are covered.

Mr. Hole also shared that at the next school board meeting he would like to begin the process of the F-200, which is the budget extension process.

Reports

- Superintendent's Report- Milt Dennison

Mr. Dennison shared his report with the Board which included getting a parent/community advisory committee started. Mr. Dennison also shared that he would like to involve the two committee members from this school year's past levy. Mr. Dennison also stated it is almost annual report time. This is the information that is sent out to the community regarding happenings within Skamania School District.

- Instructional Program Report - Katie Chavarria

Mrs. Chavarria shared her Instructional Program Report which covered the upcoming dates for state testing, upcoming TK/K visits, and after school clubs.

- Budget status report- Chairman Angus Anderson

Chairman Angus Anderson shared the Budget Status Report with the Board and stated that Skamania School District fund balance ends up better than projected each school year.

Comments from Skamania Board of Directors

Donald Collins and Lisa Young thanked those who attended the Board meeting. Cynthia Dominik Medlin shared that she is grateful for the time Angus Anderson and Lisa Young took to review the walking path plan with Shane Cornish.

Executive Session (RCW42.30.110)

There was no need for executive session

Upcoming Dates

Sams Walker Field Trip - April 18th and 20th

Oregon Zoo Field Trip - April 28th

Skamania School District Regular Board Meeting - May 15th

Adjournment

Donald Collins moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 pm and Lisa Young seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at : 7:56 pm

Board Chair, _____

Board Secretary, _____