

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

Agenda

June 26, 2023

6:30pm-8:30pm

Skamania School Library

Angus Anderson, Lisa Young, Milt Dennison, Donald Collins, Martin (Rowdy) LaFevers,
Cynthia Dominik Medlin

Staff: Katie Chavarria, 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 or additions to the agenda

Public Comment

There was no public in attendance

Consent Agenda

- Approval of the May 15, 2023 Regular Board Meeting minutes
- Approval of the May 31, 2023 Special Meeting minutes
- Approval of bills and payroll

General Fund: Accounts payable warrant numbers 29723 through 29745 totaling \$17,329.03

Payroll and benefits (Payroll A/P) warrant numbers 29746 through 29754 totaling \$115,682.62

Biggest items of cost; Can We B Us (landscaping) ESD 112, and Michelle Miller (reimbursement), Skamania PUD, and Wilcox & Flegel for fuel.

Lisa Young moved to approve the consent agenda Cynthia Dominik Medlin seconded the motion

Comment: Donald Collins asked how much of the reimbursed materials will Mrs. Miller use this coming school year? Mr. Dennison stated that he has addressed this with Mrs. Miller and that there is a plan for next year as to how obtaining learning manipulatives and materials will be

done. Mr. Dennison also shared that he has gone through the receipts for reimbursement from Mrs. Miller to be sure there was no crossover from the PTO.

After comments the motion to approve the consent agenda passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

- 2022-2023 Budget Extension

Mr. Hole gave a presentation on the budget extension for the Skamania School Districts 2022-2023 school year. The budget extension would grant use of an additional \$200,000. The reason for the increase in budget is due to increased enrollment and bus maintenance. Skamania School Districts ending fund balance will still be \$370,000.

- Approval of Resolution 06-26-2023

Lisa Young moved to approve Resolution 06-26-2023 which will extend Skamania School District #2 budget by \$200,000 for the 2022-2023 school year. Cynthia Dominik Medlin seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Resolution 006-26-23

Donald Collins moved to approve Resolution 006-26-2023 for investment authority. Lisa Young seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

- 2023-2024 Budget Overview

Chuck Hole gave a presentation regarding the budget for Skamania School District #2 2023-2024 school year. The presentation included the projected enrollment for the next four years, along with fund breakdowns for basic education. Mr. Hole shared regarding what's to be expected to receive from federal, and state funds, along with what funds will be collected from the levy that has recently passed.

Donald Collins asked a question about how to increase the ending fund balance. Mr. Hole shared that finding a grant program will assist in growing the ending fund balance, and looking at costs for both food service and bus maintenance.

Mr. Collins then asked, if Mr. Hole has seen where the state has cut the funding by 60% for a school district. Mr. Hole shared that he has not seen where the state has unexpectedly cut funds by 60%.

Mr. Dennison stated during the July board meeting that the budget hearing will be held. This meeting will also include adopting the proposed school budget for Skamania School District #2.

- Approval of Returning Staff Contract Offers 2023-2024 School Year

Donald Collins moved to approve the returning staff contracts for the 23-24 school year. Lisa Young seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of New Contract Offers 2023-2024 School Year
 - 7th/8th Grade Teacher Kim Cunningham
 - Music Teacher .6 Lori Caccavo
 - Counselor .4 Ashley Becker- Nunley

Lisa Young moved to approve the following staff contracts for Kim Cunningham, Lori Caccavo, and Ashley Becker-Nunley. Rowdy LaFevers seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

- Curriculum Adoptions
 - Social Emotional Learning

Katie Chavarria shared information regarding the new SEL curriculum that Skamania School District is planning to start using during the 23-24 school year. The curriculum is through Positive Action and this is a grant funded curriculum.

Donald Collins moved to approve the SEL curriculum as described by Katie Chavarria. Cynthia Dominik Medlin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- K-8 Mathematics

Mrs. Chavarria shared information about the math curriculum from Illustrative Mathematics. The highlights of this program include instruction design, and hybrid flexibility.

Lisa Young asked a question regarding usability of this math program. Mrs. Chavarria shared that since the curriculum is free online, that if teachers did not purchase the printed workbooks there may have been a discrepancy there.

Donald Collins moved to approve the K-8 Illustrative Mathematics curriculum. Lisa Young seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Basic Education Survey

Mrs. Chavarria shared with the Skamania Board of Directors that the survey is required and it asks what the school is doing that is state required, and state recommended.

Lisa Young moved to approve the Basic Education Survey. Cynthia Dominik Medlin seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Reports

- Superintendent's Report- Milt Dennison

Mr. Dennison shared that all of the end of year activities went well including the staff get-together. The teachers will be moving around a little this summer. The biggest move will be the Kindergarten class moving into the main building and the current library moving out to the portables.

It has been decided that Katy London will be homeroom teacher for 3rd and 4th, Raymond Chavarria will be homeroom teacher for 5th and 6th, and new addition Kimberly Cunningham will be homeroom teacher for 7th and 8th grade.

Mr. Dennison also stated that during the July board meeting that there will be a discussion of whether or not a sign-on bonus may be needed for bus drivers along with possible salary adjustment for drivers and other classified positions.

- Instructional Program Report - Katie Chavarria

Katie Chavarria shared that she has met with the new music teacher and there will be a need for instruments if there will be a 5th and 6th grade band. Mrs. Young stated that she may know of some assistance and requested a list of instruments from Mrs. Chavarria.

Mrs. Chavarria also shared that there is a possibility of having an afterschool program at Skamania School. The program would allow parents to have until 5pm to pick up their student. The estimated cost for families would be \$10 per student with an estimated fourteen students in attendance. This would be a self sustaining program, if numbers of students dropped in the program would no longer be able to run. So far the communication that is being heard is positive and many families would benefit from this program.

- Budget status report- Chairman Angus Anderson

Chairman Angus Anderson stated that the ending fund balance is looking just fine and he is not worried at all. Chairman Anderson stated that he thanked Mr. Hole for his diligence with Skamania School.

Comments from Skamania Board of Directors

Lisa Young shared that the articles in the paper have been wonderful. Mrs. Young also stated that a staff member came up to her at the staff get-together and shared that they were excited to be around the people that they work with.

Upcoming Dates

Regular Board Meeting- July 17, 2023

Adjournment

Lisa Young moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:26pm, Cynthia Dominik Medlin seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 8:26pm

Board Chair, _____

Board Secretary, _____