

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

**Agenda**

**July 17, 2023**

**6:30pm-8:30pm**

**Skamania School Library**

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

excused ; Martin (Rowdy) LaFevers,

Staff: Katie Chavarria, Amber Warren, Heather Whitman

**Call to Order**

Chairman 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**

There was no public in attendance.

**Consent Agenda**

- Approval of the June 26, 2023 Regular Board Meeting minutes
- Approval of bills and payroll

General Fund: Accounts payable warrant numbers 29755 through 29779 totaling \$24,180.07

The largest amount was for ESD 112.

Payroll and benefits (Payroll A/P) warrant numbers 29771 through 29779 totaling \$95,604.51

Lisa Young moved to approve the June 26th minutes and bills and payrolls as read. Cynthia Dominik Medlin seconded the motion the motion passed unanimously.

**Unfinished Business**

- Review of Classified Salary-Possible Action

The Skamania School Board of Directors looked at raising the baseline for bus driver positions to adequately compete with neighboring districts. Other classified positions were mentioned as

well to receive a higher baseline salary. The Board of Directors have decided that the discussion of additional classified staff salary increase should take place at the August Regular Board meeting. After comparable salaries have been obtained from neighboring districts. For this current meeting deciding whether or not bus drivers should have a higher beginning baseline would need to be prioritized.

Mr. Dennison stated that he met with a potential driver today (7/17) who will be going through the motions to complete the needed tasks to become a driver for Skamania School with the hopes of presenting a contract at the August Board Meeting. Mr. Dennison also shared that Evergreen School District will aid in assisting driver training.

Mrs. Young has stated that the beginning base for drivers should be \$26.50 per hour to be competitive with other districts. Mrs. Domink-Medlin asked the question whether or not if a driver comes in from a previous district if their previous salary would be taken into account? Mr. Dennison stated that yes, just like when teachers come in from other districts, there is a salary adjustment. Mr. Collins stated that a salary adjustment needs to be made for all salaries.

Donald Collins moved to increase the bus driver salary to \$25.50 per hour. Cynthia Dominik Medlin seconded the motion

Motion discussion;

Lisa Young stated that this isn't enough money for drivers. Washougal School District is raising their driver salary to \$26.50 per hour and Stevenson Carson School District will be raised to \$27.79 per hour.

The motion to approve the increase of the bus driver salary to \$25.50 passed with a 3 to 1 vote

3- aye 1-nay

### **New Business**

- Review and Adoption of 2023-2024 Budget

Mr. Hole gave a detailed report and overview of the 2023-2024 Skamania School Year budget adoption. Mr. Hole shared a presentation on how all monies received by local, state, and federal funds would be used along with grant funds. These figures included projected enrollment and expenditures.

Mr. Collins asked if there is a possibility to bump a levy before approved levy runs out? Mr. Hole shared that unless the law changes then, no.

Lisa Young moved to approve the Adoption of the 2023-2024 school year budget Resolution # 07-17-23 .Cynthia Dominik Medlin seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously

- Key fobs and Security Cameras

Mr. Dennison shared that Skamania School has been obtaining quotes for security cameras and door hardware. The top two quotes that came in were from Icic Tech and Christenson Electric. The quote from Icic Tech would provide coverage inside and outside the school. The quote from Christenson Electric would be for the door hardware.

Mrs. Warren shared where these cameras would be placed and that additional cameras could be added as well.

Board Members asked if there will be coverage of the main lobby area. Mrs. Warren shared that no, it would not directly cover the front lobby but a camera could be placed there.

Donald Collins moved to approve the quote from Icic Tech #1718 in the amount of \$5,631.13, and quote # 88637 from Christenson Electric in the amount of \$3,437.50 and the additional \$2,355.00 for the additional door controller. Along with all applicable taxes. Lisa Young seconded the motion.

Motion discussion;

Mrs. Dominik Medlin asked if the school's internet could handle the additional cameras and door controllers? Chairman Anderson stated that, yes, due to the school having the fiber optic internet there shouldn't be an issue.

Motion to approve quotes 1718 and 88637 passed with a note to get a bid for a camera in the front lobby.

### **Reports**

- Superintendent's Report- Milt Dennison

Mr. Dennison shared that the school is still having HVAC issues and has been in touch with construction management at ESD 112 to come up with a solution.

The new library has been painted and books have been moved into the room. This will be the new meeting location for the Skamania School Board.

Mr. Dennison shared that it is hopeful that we will have two bus drivers to start the 23-24 school year.

- Instructional Program Report - Katie Chavarria

Mrs. Chavarria shared that motions are being made to be able to offer an after school program at Skamania School. There is a hope to have more information soon.

Mr. Collins asked if the pick up time could be moved to 5:15 pm or 5:30pm to accommodate families. Mrs. Chavarria said those logistics would need to be worked out.

Mrs. Dominik Medlin asked if community members could volunteer to help? Mrs. Chavarria shared that option would have to be looked into as well.

- Budget status report- Chairman Angus Anderson

Chairman Angus Anderson shared that he is happy with the ending fund balance.

**Comments from Skamania Board of Directors**

**Upcoming Dates**

Regular Board Meeting- August 21, 2023

Donald Collins moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. Cynthia Dominik Medlin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

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