

LANE ESD BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
Tuesday – March 20, 2007

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| 1. Regular Meeting
Call to Order | 1 | <p>Chairperson Sherry Duerst-Higgins called the regular board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 20, 2007, in accordance with the agenda and public notice of the meeting.</p> <p>Board Members present were: Joe Berney, Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Michelle Holman, Tom Lininger, Joel Robe, and Jim Swanson. Administrative staff members present were Superintendent Debbie Egan, Carol Knobbe, Dave Standridge, Michelle Mantel, Sue Mathisen, and Barbara McBurnett, recording secretary.</p> <p>Others attending were: Kathy Giesen</p> |
| 2. Recognition and Introductions | 2 | <p>There was no staff or public recognition.</p> |
| 3. Public Participation | 3 | <p>There was no public participation.</p> |
| 4. Agenda Review | 4 | <p>There were no changes to the agenda.</p> |
| 5. Action Items | 5A | <p>The following action items were included in the Consent Agenda approval:</p> <p>(1) Approve Board Minutes of February 27, 2007
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD approves the minutes of its meeting February 27, 2007, as submitted.</p> <p>(2) Accept Monthly Human Resources Report and Approve Personnel Recommendations
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD accepts the Monthly Human Resources Report dated March 14, 2007.</p> <p>(3) Approve Board Member Attendance at OAESD Conference
Directors Atkinson, Berney, Duerst-Higgins, Robe and Swanson plan to attend the conference.
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD approves the attendance of Directors Atkinson, Berney, Duerst-Higgins, Robe and Swanson at the OAESD Conference at Eagle Crest on May 18, 19, and 20.</p> <p>DIRECTOR MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD adopts the consent agenda group as presented. Director Robe seconded and the MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS, BERNEY, DUERST-HIGGINS, HOLMAN, LININGER, ROBE and SWANSON VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 06-020)</p> |
| | 5B | <p>Approve Budget Committee Appointments
There are currently two budget committee vacancies—position 5 and an at-large position. Pleasant Hill Board member Wylda Cafferata will serve in position 5. The superintendent will continue to seek a component district Board member to fill Position 7, at-large.</p> <p>DIRECTOR HOLMAN MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD appoints Wyda Cafferata to serve in Position 5 of the Lane ESD Budget Committee. Director Robe seconded and the MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS BERNEY, DUERST-HIGGINS, HOLMAN, LININGER, ROBE and SWANSON VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 06-021)</p> |

6. Discussion/
Reports

- 6A Advisory Board Member Report
Board advisor Chuck Forster reported on activities of Lane Workforce Partnership.
- Information was received today that Congress has extended the Secure Rural Schools and Community Act (Federal forest dollars) for five more years at a reduced rate.
 - The Lane ESD Career Fair, which is co-sponsored by Lane Workforce Partnership, was a great success. Several of the LWP board members participated in the mock interviews.
 - A series of Lane County workforce editorial articles has begun in the Register Guard. The first article was Monday, March 19—articles will appear every other Monday.
- 6B Senate Bill 426—Mandatory Statewide Health Insurance Pool
Both the Senate and the House have passed Senate Bill 426. The bill now goes to the Governor for his action. As information is received about the impact and implementation of this bill, the Board will be advised.

7. Superintendent's
Report

- 7A Financial Report
Dave Standridge, director of business support services, reviewed the financial report for February 2007. The state school fund estimates for 2007-08 as well as reconciliations for 2005-06 and 2006-07 are anticipated to arrive soon.
- 7B Update of District Service Orders for 2007-08 (**official attachment**)
Dave Standridge provided an update on orders from districts for 2007-08 Lane ESD services. Districts will have fewer flex dollars to spend in 2007-08, and service requests in special education are only slightly above the current year.
- 7C Budget Committee Preparation
The Lane ESD Budget Committee will meet on Tuesday, May 1, at 6:00 p.m. Dave Standridge reported that budget information is being collected from ESD service areas, as well as the district service order requests, to develop the budget document. The completed document will be mailed to budget committee members the week prior to the meeting.
- 7D OAESD Conference Update
Zone B superintendents and their executive assistants met again on March 9 to continue the planning for the OAESD Spring Conference at Eagle Crest. Planning is proceeding well, and the committee will meeting again on April 6 and May 9.
- 7E Response to Intervention Initiative
In October ODE was awarded a significant grant to implement RTI throughout Oregon. RTI is a process of looking at a student's response to the curriculum in their very earliest school years. This allows for systematic remediation before a child fails. I have been in contact with ODE and preparing information regarding our "readiness" to implement. We received word that Lane ESD will be part of the grant, and we will be helping all Lane County schools with the implementation of RTI.
- 7F School Improvement Model Update
We have been working with NWESD on a model for school improvement developed at the University of Colorado. All Lane County school districts are interested in the model. The model helps us narrow down the state standards to "meaningful" standards for teachers and helps school teams design assessments that meet their needs.

8. Information from Administrative Staff	8	<p>Superintendent Debbie Egan, assistant superintendent Carol Knobbe and directors Dave Standridge, Sue Mathisen, and Michelle Mantel submitted reports to the board on activities in their service areas. (official attachment)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assistant Superintendent Carol Knobbe also reported that there are bills before the Legislature that could fiscally impact schools, including one that would make classified school employees eligible for unemployment during non-work periods. Additional information is available on the OSBA website "bill tracker". Superintendent Debbie Egan reported that State assessment testing will be moving from on-line to paper and pencil. Lane ESD will be receiving the bulk tests and delivering to Lane County school districts.
9. Board Member Presentations and Comments	9	<p>Director Swanson commented that he believes there is a conflict in election language in the OAESD Executive Committee Operating Guidelines. The superintendent will follow-up with OAESD.</p> <p>Director Robe has attended the third session of OSBA Leadership Oregon. Cultural competency speaker Greg Bell gave a very beneficial presentation.</p> <p>Michelle Holman stated that she supports Senate Bill 20, which limits application of herbicides and pesticides near schools, and encouraged the Board to also support SB 20. The bill would prohibit the motorized application of herbicides pesticides within one mile of schools. This could decrease the likelihood that children could come in contact with these poisons. Passing this bill in Oregon is an important step in ensuring the health and safety of school children. Board members unanimously expressed support of Senate Bill 20.</p> <p>DIRECTOR LININGER MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD supports Senate Bill 20, limiting the application of herbicides and pesticides near schools. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lane ESD Board will send a letter to the Legislature in support of Senate Bill 20. Director Robe seconded and the MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS, BERNEY, DUERST-HIGGINS, HOLMAN, LININGER, ROBE and SWANSON VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 06-022)</p>
10. Announcement/ Correspondence	10A	There were none.
11. Adjournment	11	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next meeting of the Lane ESD Board of Directors will be on Tuesday, April 24, 2007, beginning at 6:00 p.m., at the ESD Center Building The Lane ESD Budget Committee meeting is Tuesday, May 1, 2007.

Minutes approved:

(date) BJM

Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Chairperson

Attachments to official minutes:

1. School Improvement Options Fact Sheet
2. 2007-08 District Service Orders
3. Superintendent Report
4. Administrator Reports

Debbie Egan, Superintendent-Clerk