LANE ESD BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
Tuesday – March 18, 2008

Executive Session

Chair Joel Robe called the executive session called to order at 6:00 p.m. under provisions of ORS 192.660(2)(d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations. Board members present were Joe Berney, Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Michelle Holman, Carol Horne Dennis, and Joel Robe. Administrative staff members present were Superintendent Debbie Egan, Carol Knobbe, Dave Standridge and Barbara McBurnett, recording secretary. The executive session was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

1. Regular Meeting Call to Order	1	Chairperson Joel Robe called the regular board meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. Tuesday, March 18, 2008, in accordance with the agenda and public notice of the meeting. Board Members present were: Joe Berney, Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Michelle Holman, Carol Horne Dennis, Tom Lininger, and Joel Robe. Administrative staff members present were Superintendent Debbie Egan, Carol Knobbe, Dave Standridge, Michelle Mantel, Sue Mathisen, Randy Trummer, Robin Hartshorne, Gary Ross and Barbara McBurnett, recording secretary. Others attending were: Trace Mansfield, Cameron Yee
2. Recognition and Introductions	2	There was no staff or public recognition.
3. Public Participation	3	There was no public participation.
4. Agenda Review	4	There were no changes to the agenda.
5. Action Items	5A	The following action items were included in the Consent Agenda approval: (1) Approve Board Minutes of February 26, 2008 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD approves the minutes of its meeting February 26, 2008, as submitted. (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 12, 2008. (3) Authorize Contracts for Licensed, Administrative Staff for 2008-09 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD authorizes extending contracts of licensed, administrative staff for the 2008-09 year, as submitted. (4) Authorize Renewal of Probationary Licensed Staff for 2008-09 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD authorizes the notification of all affected employees of their change of status, as submitted. For those employees who are renewed, the effective date will be the first working day of the 2008-09 school year. (5) Authorize Contracts for Licensed, Non-Administrative Staff for 2008-09 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD authorizes extending contracts of licensed, non-administrative staff for the 2008-09 year, as submitted.

DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD adopts the consent agenda group as presented. Director Horne Dennis seconded and **the MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS BERNEY, DUERST-HIGGINS, HOLMAN, HORNE DENNIS, LININGER, and ROBE VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 07-029)**

6. Discussion/ Reports

6A Westmoreland Campus Update (official attachment)
The Westmoreland Steering Committee (Randy Trummer, Dave Standridge, Sue Mathisen, Gary Ross, Robin Hartshorne and Michelle Mantel) provided a short update on project progress based on the direction the board provided at the September meeting—maintain and modify the current structure. Efforts to date have included establishment of the steering committee, analyze existing project needs and goals, determine prioritization approach, analysis and recommendations regarding tenant contracts, completion of cross training, and finalized the Lane School footprint. Information was provided on the current and future site usage, project priorities, projected time lines, and tenant status. Major project improvement completion is scheduled for completion in two to three years.

6B Oakridge/Westfir Enterprise Zone
The Cities of Oakridge and Westfir are seeking the redesignation of the Oakridge/Westfir Enterprise Zone. Oregon law requires notification of potentially effected local taxing districts. There will be a public meeting to discuss the enterprise zone on March 26, 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Oakridge City Hall. This redesignation would provide employment opportunities which potentially attract families with children and therefore having a positive impact on Oakridge Schools. Board consensus was to support the Oakridge/Westfir Enterprise Zone.

6C Set Date for Goal Setting Work Session
There was a goal setting work session scheduled prior to the February Board meeting, which was postponed due to lack of time. Board consensus was to have the goal setting session prior to the regular Board meeting on April 22, beginning at 5:30. The regular Board meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

6D Discuss Potential Dates for Legislative Work Session
Since no positive responses were received from Lane County Legislators for the March 18 work session, the session was postponed. A Board subcommittee consisting of Debbie Egan, Joe Berney, Carol Horne Dennis and Tom Lininger (Joel Robe, alternate) was formed to discuss content possibilities for meeting with Legislators. The intent is to build good relationships for an open exchange of information.

6E Pesticide Use In and Around Schools
Lisa Arkin, Executive Director of Oregon Toxics Alliance, provided information regarding the Legislative Work Group on “Pesticides In and Around Schools”. Oregon Toxics Alliance is asking for the support and advocacy of Lane ESD as the work continues in the next Legislative session. After Board review of the information, Board consensus was to support the work of Oregon Toxics Alliance and send a letter to the chair of the legislative work group, Senator Brad Avakian, stating support of the efforts.

7. Superintendent’s Report

7A Financial Report
Executive director of business support services Dave Standridge reviewed the financial report ending February 2008. The reduction in interest rates will reduce interest income from approximately $400,000 in 2007-08 to $250,000 in 2008-09.

7B OAESD Communication Committee
One of the OAESD goals is to improve communication with all stakeholders. OAESD recommended the formation of a communication subcommittee. The committee consists of Milt Dennison, Clackamas ESD; Susan Waddell, LBL ESD; Craig Hawkins, COSA; Paul Rasmussen OAESD board, OSBA; Judy May, Lake ESD, and myself. Work has begun with the research based project called "Team Up", and it has been adapted the concept for ESD's. The intent is to use this format to continue our communication work in individual ESD's and OAESD. Lane ESD project administrator Sandie Price will be assisting with the project as part of her administrator practicum program at the University of Oregon.

8. Information from Administrative Staff

8 Superintendent Debbie Egan, assistant superintendent Carol Knobbe and executive directors Dave Standridge, Sue Mathisen, and Michelle Mantel submitted reports to the board on activities in their service areas. (official attachment)

9. Board Member Presentations and Comments

9 Director Berney commented that he has been assisting with the development of a website called Education to Save Democracy (www.educationtosavedemocracy.org).

Director Horne Dennis has been elected president of the Q Center community center at 1309 Lincoln Street.

10. Announcements/ Correspondence

10A OSBA Spring Regional Meeting
The OSBA Spring Regional Meeting for Lane County will be at Lane ESD on Thursday, March 20.

10B OAESD Spring Conference at Seventh Mountain Resort
The OAESD Annual Spring Conference will be at Seventh Mountain Resort in Bend, May 16-18. Directors Berney, Duerst-Higgins, Horne Dennis, and Robe indicated they plan to attend the conference.

10C Lane County Science Fair
The Lane County Science Fair will be at Lane ESD April 28 and 29. The science fair is open to all Lane County students grades 3-8. Board members are welcome to view the projects and attend the awards ceremony. There are also opportunities to judge projects.

11. Recess

11 The meeting was recessed at 7:45 p.m.

The next meeting of the Lane ESD Board of Directors will be on Tuesday, April 22, 2008, beginning at 7:00 p.m., at the ESD Center Building. There will be a work session beginning at 5:30 p.m. prior to the regular meeting.

12. Executive Session

Chair Joel Robe called the Executive session called to order at 7:50 p.m. under provisions of ORS 192.660(2)(i) to review and evaluate the superintendent. . Board members present were Joe Berney, Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Michelle Holman, Carol Horne Dennis, and Joel Robe. Administrative staff members present were Superintendent Debbie Egan. The Executive Session was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

13. Reconvene

The regular meeting was reconvened at 9:16 p.m. The superintendent's evaluation was reviewed and summarized. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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Joel Robe, Chairperson

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Debbie Egan, Superintendent-Clerk

Minutes approved:

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(date) BJM

Attachments to official minutes:

1. Contracts for Licensed, Administration Staff for 2008-09
2. Renew of Probationary Licensed Staff for 2008-09
3. Contracts for Licensed, Non-Administration Staff for 2008-09
4. Westmoreland Update
5. Superintendent Report
6. Administrative Reports