

LANE ESD BOARD OF DIRECTORS' WORK SESSION
Tuesday – October 23, 2012

1. Call to Order
Chairperson Carol Dennis called the board work session to order at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 23, 2012, accordance with the agenda and public notice of the meeting.

Board Members present were Chair Carol Dennis, Francisca Leyva Johnson, Joel Robe, Sherrie Deurst-Higgins, Chuck Forster, and board advisor Emilio Hernandez, Jr.

Others attending were Superintendent Larry Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent Carol Knobbe, Dave Standridge, Sue Mathisen, Michelle Mantel, and Julie Simmonds was present as recording secretary.

2. OAESD Proposal: "Reorganization of Oregon's Regional Service Delivery Model" and Dr. Crew's Response to the OAESD Proposal.

Board Member Joel Robe and Superintendent Larry Sullivan facilitated a review and discussion of the proposal. The Board recognized a need to develop recommendations to forward on to the OAESD.

Discussion:

- Concern was raised around moving the proposal beyond OAESD without allowing the ESD superintendents another opportunity to refine the proposal.
- Concern was raised about possibility that ESD or RESA services may be contracted to other providers.
- The group discussed strategies to receive communication about the progress of the proposal. Jim Mabbott (OAESD) will provide ESD updates on the proposal process.
- Some Lane County district superintendents are concerned about the proposal, and are looking forward to other mechanisms to reorganize ESDs. Some Lane County districts support regionalized services with more flexibility in the use of service funds.

3. Education Funding Team: Recommendations to the Governor
Superintendent Larry Sullivan facilitated review and discussion of the Education Funding Team's recommendations. The Education Funding Team prioritized a list of strategic investments that the state can make in education. The priorities in order of importance are:
- Developing a Representative Corps of Professional Educators,
 - OregonReads,
 - Supporting Students and Families, and
 - Essential Skills for Global Success.

The Board members support the focus on intervention/literacy/math skills as outlined in the Strategic Investment #2 -OregonReads. OregonReads is a statewide reading campaign, bringing together communities, businesses, parents and students.

The Board members support the need for teachers to understand culture, language and the experiences of students.

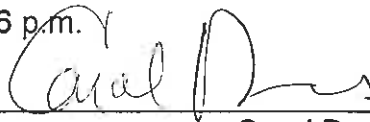
The Board members and Superintendent Sullivan discussed the need to recruit & retain teachers of color, provide incentives to recruitment and retention, bridging transitions, developing goals for college and career, and how to engage families with the schools. Eugene and Springfield school districts have collaborative programs for bridging and connecting students to Lane Community College and the University of Oregon.

Superintendent Larry Sullivan presented his initial analysis of the recommendation to fund Special Education and both the positive and negatives impact of this kind of funding.

To provide feedback on the Education Funding Team's recommendations, go to OEIB website.

4. Advisory Board Member Discussion
This discussion is tabled for the next Board Work Session.

5. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 6:06 p.m.



Carol Dennis, Chairperson



Larry Sullivan, Superintendent

Minutes approved:

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