

LANE ESD BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
Tuesday – May 20, 2014

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| 1. Call to Order
Regular Meeting | 1 | <p>Fill in Chair Duerst-Higgins called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Board Members present are: Carol Dennis, Chris Culver, Rose Wilde, Sherry Duerst-Higgins, advisor Emilio Hernandez.</p> <p>Administrative Staff present are: Superintendent Larry Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent Carol Knobbe, Sue Mathisen, Dave Standridge, and Julie Simmonds, recording secretary.</p> |
| 2. Welcome | 2 | <p>Renee Beard, LCEA</p> |
| 3. Public Participation | 3 | <p>There was no staff or public recognition.</p> |
| 4. Agenda Review | 4 | <p>There was no public participation.</p> |
| 5. Action Items | 5A | <p>The following items were included in the Consent Agenda approval.</p> <p>(1) Approve Board Minutes of April 22, 2014.
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD approves the minutes of its meeting on April 22, 2014, 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 May 19, 2014.
DIRECTOR CULVER MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD adopts the consent agenda as presented. Director Dennis seconded and the MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, DENNIS, WILDE, AND CULVER VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 13-048).</p> |
| | 5B | <p>Accept Financial Report
DIRECTOR CULVER MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD accept the financial report for April 2014 as presented. Director Dennis seconded and the MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, DENNIS, WILDE, AND CULVER VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 13-049).</p> |
| | 5C | <p>Accept Eugene School District 4J Rescinding Opt Out
The Board discussed the differences between SB 529 and HB 3401 and the options that Eugene School District 4J has exercised. Eugene School District 4J acknowledges that Lane ESD has made changes that make Lane ESD more attractive. A significant change was a revised funding formula, distributing funds based on ADMw. Making this change required commitment from all districts. However, movement towards this change began long before Eugene opted out. Lane ESD's services have become more responsive. Examples include: Technology Services is adjusting available services to accommodate larger districts; Lane ESD is allowing flex funds to be taken in the form of transit dollars; Lane ESD has facilitated the creation of the Life Skills Consortia and the Behavior Program Consortia. Lane ESD is supporting district-based programs by allowing a cash out option.
DIRECTOR WILDE MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD adopts the consent agenda as presented. Director Culver seconded and the MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, DENNIS, WILDE, AND CULVER VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 13-050).</p> |
| 6. Discussion/Reports | 6A | <p>Budget Committee Hearing
The Board discussed the Budget Committee Hearing that took place on May 13, 2014. Directors Wilde and Truett were unable to attend. The Hearing lasted 30 minutes. The Board acknowledged Business Services Director Dave Standridge for the outstanding job he did preparing for and conducting the hearing. The Board agreed that having a budget</p> |

orientation was valuable, and requested that it be done again for the 2015-16 budget. There were no changes recommended to the budget, and it was accepted as is. The Board will adopt the budget at the June meeting. Director Dennis praised Dave Standridge, Superintendent Sullivan and Assistant Superintendent Carol Knobbe for their work and readiness for Eugene School District 4J's return.

6B OAESD Conference Report Out

Director Dennis provided comments on her experience at the OAESD Conference. Director Dennis shared that Yong Zhao presented the keynote speech. Director Dennis stated that Yong Zhao has strong opinions about education and is vehemently opposed to Common Core. Director Dennis noted that Rob Saxton spoke Saturday morning in favor of Common Core and Reading by 3rd Grade, in sharp contrast to the views of Yong Zhao. Director Dennis attended a workshop on Setting Board Goals for 40/40/20, by Mark Mulvihill. Director Dennis noted that the Intermountain ESD board goals are their agency goals, which also match the superintendent goals.

Michael Lasher, Douglas ESD, hosted BBQ with Douglas ESD and Lane ESD.

Every year the OAESD gives out a certificate for years of service. Sherry was honored for 20 years of service and received a round of applause.

6C NAACP 2014 Eugene Springfield Education Forum Report Out

Directors Wilde and Dennis and Superintendent Sullivan attended. Director Wilde commented on the presentations that were intended for parents. The panel discussed using physical spaces and interactive devices to enhance education and help students develop skills. Parents were excited to hear about disproportionality. Superintendent Sullivan noted the Superintendents' Council has been working on disproportionality with the support of Lane Oregon Leadership Network (LOLN).

Advisor Emilio Hernandez provided comments on the dynamic of "push outs".

Director Dennis attended the Eric Richardson workshop. This workshop was about introducing the "real humanity history" in Oregon. Mr. Richardson is the executive director of the Eugene/Springfield branch of NAACP. Director Dennis noted that she is working closely with him on the Closing the Achievement Gap for African American Students grant. The grant helped pay for this event, and will support next year's event.

Director Dennis was able to meet Dr. Hertica Martin, who provided the keynote.

6D Board Engagement Reports

Director Dennis attended the Eugene 4J Work Session. Director Dennis felt welcomed and found a real difference in the eye contact.

6E LESD Program Board Engagement Reports

Director Culver attended a Career Technical Education (CTE) Meeting with instructors from districts. At this meeting, Kim Thomas from the Employment Division provided overview of employment trends for the next decade. Director Culver noted that Kristin Gunson did nice job facilitating the meeting.

Director Wilde attended an Elementary Counselors meeting. Director Wilde noted that she has tried to get to Lane School, but is not getting a response to her inquiry.

Director Dennis attended a portion of the Lane Ignite/Math workshop.

6F Superintendent Evaluation

Chair Robe and Vice-Chair Villanueva have reviewed survey questions from last year, and this year's surveys will be sent out soon. Superintendent Sullivan will continue on the same goals from last year.

7. Superintendent's Report

7A Superintendents' Council Report

The superintendents discussed the value of the John Saphier training from Research for Better Teaching (RBT). Eugene School District 4J is in their third year of Saphier training

now. Springfield and Eugene School Districts are collaborating with Lane ESD to provide an administrator training beginning in June, continuing through the Fall. For 2014-15, a new module will begin that will develop trainers in Oregon. This train-the-trainers professional development will be held locally, and will include at least two trainers from Lane ESD (possibly a Math specialist and the Language Arts specialist). Both the administrator and teacher training groups have available slots for districts to take advantage of.

Superintendent Sullivan reviewed grant activities with the superintendents. Lane ESD staff have created a three-page document that identifies grants, the associated contact person, the focus group, the amount of the grant award, length of grant, etc. Superintendents have noticed that teachers are increasingly pulled for professional development activities. Lane ESD is working with districts to make sure teachers aren't pulled in multiple directions, leaving districts without a necessary resource. The Curriculum Leaders will review the framework and fill in district information.

The superintendents discussed inviting Dr. Hertica Martin and Colt Gill to be a part of Lane Oregon Leadership Network (LOLN). Tony Scurto, Sally Storm, and Todd Hamilton are currently involved in LOLN with Lane ESD. LOLN is currently examining what practices they can discuss or apply locally. Next month they plan to host a presentation on Restorative Justice.

The superintendents discussed the I Love U Guys Foundation's presentation on Standard Response Protocols and Reunification Protocols. Cathy Paine, Springfield School District, submitted a proposal to work with all districts to develop common language in Standard Response and Reunification protocols.

7B Superintendent Update

The Curriculum Leaders met prior to Superintendents' Council. Their conversations focused on the \$100,000 investment in secondary math this year, and having two new math specialists for 2014-15. The superintendents and Curriculum Leaders have discussed coordinating activities and professional development. Lane ESD is contracting with the McCaw Group to provide professional development for teachers of grades 5-10. Lane ESD will coordinate with Springfield School District for McCaw services at the elementary level, and with South Lane School District for the secondary level. A planning meeting with the McCaw Group is scheduled for June 16.

Eugene 4J will continue to participate in Lane Ignite in 2014-15.

Lane ESD submitted an American Indian Alaska Native Pedagogy Grant on Monday. A key component of this grant is working with Native communities to get their input on what works for their students.

Lane ESD is providing the lead for two Oregon Youth Development grants right now. These grants focus on gangs and rural disconnected youth.

Marcola has hired Bill Watkins to replace Joel Bradford as superintendent. Sally Storm is moving from McKenzie School District to Fern Ridge School District. McKenzie School District has hired Michael Lasher, Douglas ESD, to assist with the search process. There is still a lot of movement of administrators in the districts.

8. Information from Administrative Staff

8 Superintendent Larry Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent Carol Knobbe and directors Sue Mathisen and Dave Standridge were available for questions regarding their program areas.

Assistant Superintendent Carol Knobbe provided an update on vacancies and hiring. Final interviews for the two math specialist vacancies will be held tomorrow,

A reception for retiring staff will be held June 4, 4:00 p.m. reception here at Lane ESD.

Freezing winter weather caused leaks in the main campus roof. The seams are separating. The roof is still under warranty, and Facilities Manager Jeff Potterf has been

working with roofing contractor/manufacturer to coordinate necessary repairs.

Work is being done to welcome Regional Programs into the agency. Related to this is an assessment of space is used in the building. Assistant Superintendent Carol Knobbe conducted interviews with staff and convened a committee to focus on reallocating space. The committee includes Jeri Ingallinero, Julie Simmonds, Jeff Potterf, Daniele McCallum, and Carol Knobbe. In the future, Assistant Superintendent Knobbe will provide a presentation to the Board on the overall plan for the main campus building.

Sue Mathisen provided comments on the work that was done to prepare to shift classrooms to Eugene School District 4J, then receiving notice that Eugene would rescind the plan to take back additional classrooms. This change has resulted in a need to post and hire positions in Special Education. The hiring process to bring the Deaf and Hard of Hearing/Visually Impaired teachers over is complete

9. Board Member
Presentations and
Comments

- 9 Director Dennis: Lane ESD is working with the Eugene/Springfield NAACP on the Closing the Achievement Gap for African American Students grant. Director Dennis will be at Lane ESD tomorrow night (May 21) for the Spelling Contest. The Lane Education Foundation (LEF) received a request from Camille Nasbe, Title Programs Supervisor, to assist with a field trip to Washington DC with four title program students. The four students will participate in the Close-Up program. It is a six day trip, and Ms. Nasbe has fronted a lot of personal money to ensure that the students can participate. The LEF gave \$500 for the trip. LEF has also awarded \$1000 to the Martin Luther King Jr School's internship program. The Martin Luther King Jr School's graduation is June 12 at 5p.m.

Director Culver: Attended OSBA's online Smarter Balanced training. Director Culver found this training helpful in his understanding of calibration issues.

Director Duerst-Higgins: South Lane School District completed budget hearing in two hours. South Lane School District has hired a lot of new administrators, and is now hiring new teachers.

Director Wilde: Remarked on a busy month. Director Wilde commented about concerns related to funds for poverty going into emergency housing.

Advisor Hernandez: Participated in the hiring process for the Springfield School District's new assistant superintendent. Matt Coleman is moving to UO's Educational Policy Improvement Center (EPIC). The League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) and the NAACP are working together to present a women's conference in Vancouver. Advisor Hernandez will facilitate a panel on "The Good, Bad, Ugly", a discussion about Latinos going through the education system. Advisor Hernandez will be absent from the next Board meeting.

Advisor Kordosky: Will attend next month's Board meeting. He will be stepping down as Board Advisor. Dr. Kordosky comes all the way from Oakridge for monthly board meetings. Dr. Kordosky expressed appreciation of being part of this group every month.

10. Announcement/
Correspondence

- 10A An email was received from Allyson Hazlehurst thanking Bob Curtis for his work with students. An email was received from Karen Hyatt, Connected Lane County, UO, commending Michelle Martin, Program Assistant, for her hard work supporting transition planning team and transition plan. Michelle Martin has been working additional hours this year with Connected Lane County.

Colt Gill, Superintendent, Bethel School District, and Superintendent Sullivan are working with Dev Singha, UO and Gina Biancarosa, UO, to have conversation with community leaders to talk about Common Core and Assessments.

An End-Of-Year Staff Party is scheduled for June 6, 4:00 p.m., at Sullivan's home. Superintendent Sullivan encourages all to attend.

11. Adjournment

- 11 The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

The next meeting of the Lane ESD Board of Directors will be on Tuesday, June 27, 2014, with an Executive Session beginning at 5:00 p.m. and a Regular Session beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Lane ESD Main Campus, 1200 Hwy 99N, Eugene.

Minutes Approved:

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(date) jrs

Attachments to official minutes:

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Joel Robe
Joel Robe, Chairperson

Larry Sullivan
Larry Sullivan, Superintendent