

LANE ESD BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
Tuesday – October 28, 2014

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| 1. Regular Meeting
Call to Order | 1 | <p>The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Vice-Chair Anselmo Villanueva.</p> <p>Board members present were: Vice-Chair Anselmo Villanueva, Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Chris Culver, Vanessa Truett, Carol Dennis and Rose Wilde, and Board Advisor Todd Hamilton.</p> <p>Administrative Staff Present were: Superintendent Larry Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent Carol Knobbe, Business Services Director Dave Standridge, Special Education Director Sue Mathisen, and Julie Simmonds, Recording Secretary.</p> |
| 2. | 2 | <p>Welcome</p> |
| 3. Recognition and
Introductions | 3 | <p>Dorothy Dilliplane, LCEA</p> |
| 4. Agenda Review | 4 | <p>No changes to the agenda.</p> |
| 5. Action Items | 5A | <p>Consent Agenda</p> <p>The following items were included in the Consent Agenda approval.</p> <p>(1) Approve Board Minutes of September 23, 2014.
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD approves the minutes of its meeting September 23, 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 September 20, 2014.</p> <p>DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD adopts the consent agenda as submitted. Director Culver seconded and the MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, DENNIS, WILDE, TRUETT AND VILLANUEVA VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 14-0)</p> |
| | 5B | <p>Appoint Audit Committee Members</p> <p>Lane ESD asks two members of the Board to serve as Audit Committee Members with Business Services Director Dave Standridge and Superintendent Sullivan. The Audit Committee meets with the auditors once, in mid-November. This meeting is usually conducted via phone conference. The Audit Committee brings the Audit Report to the December Board meeting for approval. Chris Culver and Rose Wilde volunteered to serve on the Audit Committee.</p> <p>DIRECTOR DENNIS MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD appoints Chris Culver and Rose Wilde to the 2014 Audit Committee. Director Duerst-Higgins seconded and the MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, DENNIS, WILDE, TRUETT, AND VILLANUEVA VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 14-0)</p> |
| | 5C | <p>Approve Budget Calendar</p> <p>Business Services Director Dave Standridge explained the Budget Committee activities and calendar development to the Board. A pre-meeting, not listed on the Budget Calendar, will be scheduled as a Work Session in the month prior to the Budget Committee hearing.</p> <p>DIRECTOR WILDE MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD</p> |

approve the 2015-16 Budget Calendar. Director Culver seconded and the **MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, DENNIS, WILDE, TRUETT, AND VILLANUEVA VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 14-0)**

5D Promise of Oregon Proclamation

Vice-Chair Villanueva read the proclamation aloud to the Board. The proclamation was passed by Board action.

WHEREAS, This state's children constitute "The Promise of Oregon" through their potential as thinkers, leaders, and caretakers of their generation and the future; and

WHEREAS, We believe funding a strong system of public education is the best investment Oregonians can make to strengthen our economy, create thriving communities and improve the quality of life for every Oregonian; and

WHEREAS, We support a well-rounded curriculum that meets the needs of Oregon's students, including: art, music, PE, career and technical training and co-curricular activities; and

WHEREAS, We must ensure that efforts to close the academic achievement gap and supports for students who have been historically underserved are expanded; and

WHEREAS, Oregon's public schools have experienced a prolonged period of unstable and inadequate funding that has resulted in dire consequences: thousands of teacher and staff layoffs, unacceptably large class sizes and one of the shortest school years in the country; and

WHEREAS, The 2013-15 budget marked the beginning of a turnaround in school funding, the 2015 Legislative Session will prove whether that turnaround will continue forward or stall; and

WHEREAS, Oregon's political leaders have codified an ambitious "40-40-20" goal for our education system to reach by the year 2025, which requires a significant financial investment to attain; and

WHEREAS, The case must be made to Oregon's voters that the Legislature needs to prioritize investments in full-day kindergarten, a full school year for every student in every district and modern, safe school facilities in every community in our state; and

WHEREAS, School Board members need to help shoulder the responsibility for making the case to Oregon's voters that investments must be made so that every child has the opportunity to become a responsible and productive citizen of our state.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lane Education Service District Board of Education pledges to join and support the efforts of "The Promise of Oregon" campaign to ensure that Oregon's lawmakers continue to prioritize investments to improve the educational outcomes for Oregon's greatest natural resource: our children.

ADOPTED this 28th day of October, 2014.

DIRECTOR DUERST-HIGGINS MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD adopt the Promise of Oregon Proclamation. Director Truett seconded and the **MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, DENNIS, WILDE, TRUETT, AND VILLANUEVA VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 14-0)**

5E Approve Financial Report for September 2014

Business Services Director Dave Standridge provided comments on the September 2014 Financial Report and the assessed tax value increases for Lane County. The assessed value of Lane County property tax figures are higher than expected. Increased property tax figures could potentially equate to more revenue.

In addition, Lane ESD could experience savings in benefits, as the budget was developed with all staff utilizing the insurance cap. Some staff are not using that amount. Unused benefit dollars will go back into the general fund.

Noted supply increases on the September 2014 Financial Report are likely due to the time of year and Mr. Standridge expects supply costs to level off.

DIRECTOR DENNIS MOVED: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Lane ESD approves the September 2014 Financial Report. Director Duerst-Higgins seconded and the **MOTION CARRIED WITH DIRECTORS DUERST-HIGGINS, DENNIS, WILDE, TRUETT, AND VILLANUEVA VOTING YES. (ESD Resolution # 14-0)**

6. Discussion/Reports

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Facilities – Updates and Tour

Assistant Superintendent Carol Knobbe provided the Board with an update of the changes that took place in the facility over the summer. The need for additional workspace was identified with the move of the Lane Regional Services to Lane ESD. Facilities staff decided to take advantage of the opportunity to make some needed upgrades while areas were being reorganized. The west end of the building was recarpeted and reconfigured to accommodate additional staff. A closet was built outside of rooms 5/6 to accommodate electronic and room set up equipment that is regularly used for meeting rooms.

A committee of staff worked to identify three phases of facilities planning and upgrades for the next several years. The first phase included all changes that were made over the summer months. In addition, the former Special Education area west of the lobby area is being converted into a demonstration classroom.

Phase two will be the creation of two classrooms, north of rooms 5/6. This phase will occur over the next two years. Phase three will address the northeast corner of the building, where the textbook library and science lab are currently located.

Assistant Superintendent Knobbe facilitated a tour of the main campus, with the Board members observing the changes that have taken place. Director Dennis asked the Board to consider what kind of media center Lane ESD can create with the northeast section of the building (video production, recording, professional development resources).

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OSBA Fall Regional Meeting Report Out

Board members provided comments on their experience at the OSBA Fall Regional Meeting held October 22, 2014 at Lane ESD. The Board appreciated the legislative preview, including the discussion on the impact of legislative changes and pressures of increasing weights in the funding formula. Board members noted the impact of funding for full day kindergarten.

Chair Robe noted for the record that Morgan Allen is the Board's contact at OSBA. The Board can contact Mr. Allen to discuss advocacy.

Director Dennis commented for the record that Betsy Miller-Jones, OSBA Executive Director, is doing an amazing job and has invited more input.

Director Culver commented for the record on the large attendance and believes that goodwill rubs off on Lane ESD when we host.

Superintendent Sullivan explained the work he is doing with Beth Gerot, Eugene School District 4J Board member, and Nancy Bigley, Springfield Public Schools Board member, to facilitate collaboration between Lane County school boards at the 2014 OSBA Fall Regional Conference Regional Roundtable discussions. A survey will be distributed later

this week, asking Lane County school district board members for input on topics, facilitation, and future meetings of Lane County school district boards. Results will be shared with Lane County school district board members and superintendents.

- 6C Board Program Assignments
The Board discussed Program assignments.

Program Assignments for 2014-15 are:

Business Services: Chris Culver
CTE and Non-Traditional Careers: Chris Culver, Joel Robe
Lane School: Vanessa Truett, Rose Wilde
Lifeskills: Rose Wilde
MLK Jr Educational Program: Vanessa Truett, Anselmo Villanueva
Oregon Leadership Network: Anselmo Villanueva
School Improvement: Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Carol Dennis
Technology: Carol Dennis, Joel Robe
Title Programs: Anselmo Villanueva, Vanessa Truett

- 6D OAESD Summit
The Board discussed the November 13, 2014 OAESD Summit in Portland and reviewed the Agenda included in the packet. Directors Wilde and Dennis will be attending the Summit. The Summit discussions will include Teacher Standards and Practices licensing for ESD superintendents, differing from school district administrative licensing, and a review of OAESD's Legislative Platform.

The Board discussed OAESD's Legislative Platform, and asked Chair Robe, who serves on the OAESD Governance Council, to request a single page document format.

The Cascade Technology Alliance will present at the OAESD Summit. The Cascade Technology Alliance is group of four ESDs from northern part of state who have joined together to provide technology services. The Alliance has begun reaching out to provide services to other government agencies. Chair Robe commented that the Cascade Technology Alliance is serving as a model for how technology services could be delivered in our region.

- 6E Lane ESD Services Survey
Superintendent Sullivan introduced the Lane ESD Services Survey. The survey was developed as a strategy to gather information from districts on Lane ESD's current services and allow for input on future or proposed services. The data that is gathered will inform the 2015-16 Local Service Plan, including what types of services Lane ESD will continue to provide or expand. Lane ESD seeks to be more responsive to the needs of the districts.

Superintendent Hamilton provided comments on completing the survey. Superintendent Hamilton believes that survey respondents will find value in completing the survey. The survey will close on November 4, and data will be shared at the Curriculum Leaders and Superintendents' Council on November 18, 2014.

The Board will see review and discuss survey results at the December 9, 2014 meeting.

- 6F OSBA Elections
The Board reviewed the Resolutions proposed for the 2014 OSBA election. The Board will act on the OSBA Resolutions at the December 2014 Board meeting.

7. Superintendent's
Report

- 7A Superintendent Sullivan provided a Superintendent's Report packet to the Board this month. Documents supporting his report are included in the packet (**attachment**).

superintendents will prepare legislative briefs on selected issues important to educators in Lane County. The meeting will be use a small group discussion format. .

Developmental Education

Superintendents recently learned of the high numbers of Lane County high school students requiring remedial or developmental education at the college level as a result of Lane Community College's placement testing in mathematics and language arts. Lane Community College's Dawn DeWolf, Interim Vice President Academic and Student Affairs, Chief Academic Officer, Kathie Hledik, Math Division Dean, Kathy Lindsley, Academic Learning Skills Division Dean, and Darren Fort, Director of High School Connections joined the Superintendents' Council and presented on changes they are making to address issues with developmental education. Lane Community College has will implement changes to their placement assessments and methods of placement for new students this year.

Local Service Plan 2015-16

No Lane County district has moved to "opt out" of Lane ESD for the 2015-16 school year. Springfield Public Schools, Bethel School District and Eugene School District 4J have notified Lane ESD that they will be taking less than 50% of funds available in transit dollars for the 2015-16 school year. HB 3401 would allow up to 70% of funds to withdrawn.

The superintendents will begin Local Service Plan 2015-16 discussions at the November 18, 2014 Superintendents' Council meeting. Lane ESD will make adjustments to meet the needs of districts and align the 2015-16 Local Service Plan with the Lane ESD Strategic Plan.

Grants

Lane ESD submitted an article on the Mentor Grant project to OAESD for the OAESD quarterly newsletter. The article is posted on the Lane ESD website.

A Math/Science Partnership Grant proposal was submitted last week by Lane County partners and the University of Oregon.

Lane ESD is in process to hiring a coordinator for the Lane County Gang Prevention Grant. This position will collaborate mentor service with two agencies, CentroLatino Americano and A Family For Every Child, and local districts. The grant anticipates supporting 58 mentee/mentor pair and will focus on middle school students.

Common Core State Standards

Dev Sinha, Mathematics Professor, UO and Superintendent Colt Gill, Bethel School District, have been developing a Common Core State Standards Information Event, to be held at the Ford Alumni Center on November 20, 2014, 6:30-8:30 p.m. The target audience is school district board members, community members, and local legislators. The intent of this event is to provide an objective view of the Common Core State Standards.

Dave Standridge: No report

Sue Mathisen: Expressed appreciation for the opportunity to be excused last month. Special Education hosted its annual Special Education Law Update at end of September, bringing in presenters from the Hungerford Law Firm. The event was well attended. Carol Knobbe: November 19, 2014 is Education Support Professionals Day. Education Support Professionals includes secretaries, cafeteria workers, instructional assistants, and facilities staff.

9. Board Member
Presentations and
Comments

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Agenda items for the December 2014 Board meeting are due by November 28th.

Emilio Hernandez: The Committee Alliance for Public Education is hosting Jesse Hagopian, Seattle teacher and education leader, to discuss his experiences in the battle against excessive high-stakes testing. The event is scheduled for Thursday, November 13, 2014 from 7-9:00 p.m. at First Christian Church. The 2014 Governor Summit to Reduce Disproportionate Minority Contact is scheduled for November 25, 2014, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This event will be held at Lane Community College's Center for Meeting and Learning. Board members can register by contacting Julie Simmonds.

Vanessa Truett: Attended the October 15, 2014 McKenzie School District Board meeting with Superintendent Sullivan. Director Truett announced that Next Step, a local technology recycling agency, is receiving an award from the Oprah Winfrey Network.

Chris Culver: Director Culver is reading *How Children Succeed*, because he was inspired by the Fern Ridge School Board, who also read it. Director Culver recommends the book to the Lane ESD Board.

Anslemo Villanueva: Director Villanueva has been travelling around state, interacting with multiple agencies in his new role with Oregon's Department of Human Resources (DHS). DHS has recently rolled out an action plan on Equitable service and Outcomes. Director Villanueva shared a DHS poster that addresses the differences between equality and equity.

Sherry Duerst-Higgins: Director Duerst-Higgins and Superintendent Sullivan attended the October 13th Pleasant Hill School District Board meeting. South Lane School District's Board of Directors recently had Oregon School Boards Association (OSBA) provide an in-house training. Director Duerst-Higgins encourages the Lane ESD Board to do the same. Director Duerst-Higgins will not be at the December 9th Board meeting.

Rose Wilde: Director Wilde and Superintendent Sullivan attended the Lowell School District's October 27th Board meeting.

Carol Dennis: Director Dennis attended the October 1, 2014 Eugene School District 4J Board meeting and shared her observations from that meeting. Director Dennis attended the OSBA Fall Regional meeting and the Connected Lane County Kick Off event. Director Dennis announced that Director Truett has been appointed to the Lane Education Foundation Board of Directors.

Todd Hamilton: Superintendent Hamilton discussed his observations of the COSA/OASE Superintendents' Off-the-Record regional meetings. Superintendent Hamilton commented on the superintendents' desire to have a unified voice going into the next legislative session.

10. Announcement/
Correspondence

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Kudos to Director Truett for helping to write article on the Healthcare Pathways Program for the OAESD newsletter.

A Dear Colleague Letter is included in agenda packet. This letter is meant to clarify issues and provide ideas on "Responding to Bullying of Students with Disabilities".

Several Lane ESD staff received Bridge Builder awards at the Connected Lane County Kick Off event on October 8, 2014. Former Technology Services Director Randy Trummer deserves recognition for his "vision" for the Data Bridge. Kate Weber, former Lane ESD Data Coordinator, also received recognition at the Kick Off for her work with the Data Bridge.

The Construction and Utility Career Day was held on October 16, 2014. This event was a great opportunity for students, with almost 400 students attending.

11. Adjournment

11 The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

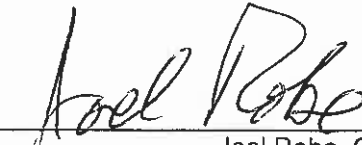
The next meeting of the Lane ESD Board of Directors will be on Tuesday, December 9, 2014, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Lane ESD Main Campus, 1200 Hwy 99N, Eugene.
Work session at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes Approved:

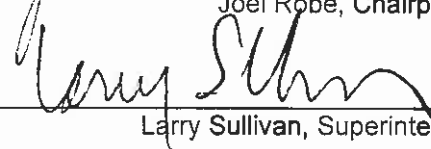
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Attachments to official minutes:

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Joel Robe, Chairperson



Larry Sullivan, Superintendent