REGULAR MEETING WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER AT 6:30 P.M.

Board Chair Mark Johnson welcomed all to the Hood River County School District Board of Directors meeting.

PRESENT:

Board Members: Board Chair Mark Johnson, Board Vice Chair Chrissy Reitz, Board Member Chair Julia Garcia Ramirez, Board Member Corinda Hankins Elliott, Board Member Tom Scully, Board Member Benjamin Sheppard, and Board Member Rich Truax.

Administration: Superintendent Dan Goldman, Chief Financial Officer Saundra Buchanan, Human Resources Director Catherine Dalbey, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Neely Kirwan, Hood River Valley High School Principal Rich Polkinghorn, Hood River Valley High School Alternative Programs/On-Line Education Principal Kelly Running, Mid Valley Elementary School Principal Kim Yasui, and Technology Director Tod Hilstad.

Staff and Community Members: Heather Staten, Chris Rogers, David Silva, Jesus Becerra and Board Administrative Assistant Terri Martz.

REVIEW/REVISION TO AGENDA:

Supt. Goldman noted the following changes to the agenda:

- A revised Personnel Report
- Concussion Protocol hand out added to Athletic Trainer Program presentation
- Ranking sheets added to Finance Advisory Committee and Budget Committee topics
SUPERINTENDENT - BOARD COMMUNICATION:

Supt. Goldman welcomed all and provided the following information to the Hood River County School District Board of Directors:

Volunteers:

Supt. Goldman provided information to Board members on parents and community members volunteering in our schools. In 2013, our district had 982 approved volunteers. Currently, there are 1,521 volunteers approved in our district. Our community is clearly involved in our schools and is a very important part of our district. A number of these volunteers have been coaches for various sports. Cutting middle school sports was an extremely unpopular funding cut in 2009 for us so it was decided to move sports to Community Education with no funding. There has since been an army of volunteers helping with middle school sports. While these dedicated volunteers are great, this type of coverage for sports is not sustainable for students. Volunteers also work outside jobs, so there is a big gap in supervision for students. Some go home on the bus after school and have no way to get back for practices and games. This is inequitable for students. Money has been raised through the Education Foundation and Providence Hood River Memorial Hospital, but this cannot sustain the programs. Supt. Goldman announced we are now going to be providing coaching stipends at least through the end of this school year. The District is able to do this because we have had a number of years with great fiscal stewardship, community support, and bonds to help bring back these programs. Supt. Goldman noted the board as well as administration has wanted to achieve bringing this funding back to the district and he is very proud to present the news tonight.

Grants:

Our district has been involved in a pursuit of a number of grants. There are some grants that the Board will not see, because the district is not the primary applicant. We are however, involved in regional efforts. One of these grants is the Hood River County Residents Committee. Heather Staten, head of this committee, has applied for a grant on Safe Routes to Schools which is a state program. It is designed to have students and parents walking and biking to schools rather than using cars. The City of Hood River has received this grant before. This grant actually pays for the planning that needs to be done in order to apply for funding.

Another grant is the Regional STEM Hub grant which is a collection of agencies in Hood River, Wasco, Sherman and Gilliam Counties. An application has been submitted to the Oregon Community Foundation to fund the operation of the local STEAM bus which is actively being built at the high school. The Mills Davis Foundation originally granted our district with $50,000 to design and build the bus. This new grant will provide $75,000 over three years which will cover the personnel and materials at approximately 90%. These monies would help get the program off the ground. Letters of commitment have been received from all over the region.

Our district applied a couple of months ago for the Meyer Memorial Trust Fund Grant. This grant provides approximately $175,000 over two years to support our Professional Development Program, our National Equity Project and a position that would be focused on family partnerships in our Latino culture. Supt. Goldman was
notified today that our district received that grant. We are one of the public schools that have received this grant. During our interviews, they were very impressed with the direction our district is heading. This is a very exciting grant for our district.

Mark Johnson Congratulations:

Supt. Goldman noted congratulations to Board Chair Mark Johnson who has stepped down from the Oregon Legislature and is now the CEO of Oregon Business and Industry. Mark will be continuing on the Hood River County School District Board of Directors.

Performing Arts Congratulations:

Supt. Goldman, his family and his father from New York attended the HRVHS Fiddler on the Roof performance and he noted it was amazing. There was a sold out crowd. His father noted that it was amazing and New York worthy. A thank you went out to Rachel Harry and her students for an amazing performance.

RECOGNITION AND GOOD NEWS:

Heather Staten was recognized for her service on Finance Advisory Committee. Heather has been a champion for education and equity as well as her work on the district’s budget committee.

CFO Saundra Buchanan recently earned the Certified Administrator of School Finance and Operations title. This designation is granted to professionals through the Association of School Business Officials International.

PUBLIC COMMENT/HEARING OF DELEGATIONS OR VISITORS:

There was no noted public comment at this meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. October 26, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes

   Human Resources Report/Personnel Action

   It was moved by Board Member Tom Scully and seconded by Board Member Benjamin Sheppard to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

   A full copy of these items may be found at the District Office as well as on the District website.
REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS:

A. Athletic Trainer Program:

Hood River Valley High School Principal Rich Polkinghorn and Athletic Trainer Chris Rogers – with Providence Hood River Memorial Hospital presented the Hood River County School District Board of Directors with an update and information on the Certified Athletic Trainer program, which is sponsored by Providence Hood River Memorial Hospital.

Presentation and discussion topics included:

- Concussion Protocol
- Data by sport

A full copy of this report may be found at the District Office as well as on the District website.

B. OSAA Realignment:

Hood River Valley High School Principal Rich Polkinghorn presented the Hood River County School District Board of Directors with information on the OSAA Realignment.

Presentation and discussion topics included:

- ✓ 2018/2022 Classification and Districting

A full copy of this report may be found at the District Office as well as on the District website.

C. HRV Summer School Report:

Hood River Valley High School Principal Rich Polkinghorn presented the Hood River County School District Board of Directors a report on summer school.

Presentation and discussion topics included:

- ✓ Why does our district have summer school?
- ✓ Step-up to success and credit retrieval
- ✓ Why are students attending? Step up to success and credit retrieval recommendation
- ✓ Outcomes
Freshman on track with graduation rate
Lessons learned
Adjustments going forward

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D. Online School Progress:

Director of Curriculum and Instruction Neely Kirwan and Online School and Alternative Programs Principal Kelly Running presented the Hood River County School District Board of Directors with an update for online learning in our district.

Our district has recently started on Online learning program which is focused at the secondary level through funding from Measure 98. The presentation covered the basics of the current program, the learners we are currently serving, and district future plans.

Presentation and discussion topics included:

- Online School Progress Report
- What is our program
- Advantages and Goals
- What students are we currently serving
- What are district future plans
- How do we recruit learners
- Next steps and questions

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ACTION ITEMS:

A. Acceptance of Donations:

Board Chair Mark Johnson asked the Hood River County School District Board of Directors to accept the following generous donations as presented:

- $50 worth of school supplies from Tom & Brenda Cramblett to Cascade Locks Elementary School
- $66 to buy school supplies from Jaxson Everson & the Everson Family to Cascade Locks Elementary School
- $1,000 from FISH Food Bank to the Cascade Locks Elementary School Weekend Backpack Program
• $3,500 from Celilo Restaurant and Copper West Properties to the Cascade Locks Elementary School ExCEL Program
• $3,500 from the Hood River County Education Foundation to the Cascade Locks Elementary School ExCEL Program
• $4,000 from the Hood River County Education Foundation to the ExCEL Artists in Residence Program
• $36.60 worth of salsa from Veronica’s Salsa to Parkdale Elementary School
• $80 worth of tortilla chips from Juanita’s Fine Foods to Parkdale Elementary School
• $255 worth of knitted hats from Sue Moore to Parkdale Elementary School

• Total Donation Value $12,587.60

It was moved by Board Member Benjamin Sheppard and seconded by Board Vice Chair Chrissy Reitz to approve the generous donations as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

A full copy of this action item may be found at the District Office as well as on the district website.

B. **Appoint Finance Advisory Committee Member:**

Chief Financial Officer Saundra Buchanan presented the Hood River County School District Board of Directors with four applications from community members wishing to be chosen to serve on the district’s Finance Advisory Committee. Board members were provided with copies of the applications and asked to rank the top candidate to fill the one open space.

Applications were received from:

- Tim Arbogast
- Jace Castello
- David Russo
- David Silva

It was moved by Board Member Rich Truax and seconded by Board Member Julia Garcia Ramirez to appoint the top ranked candidate David Russo to fill the vacant position. Motion approved unanimously.

A full copy of this action item may be found at the District Office as well as on the district website.
C. **Appoint Budget Committee Members:**

Chief Financial Officer Saundra Buchanan presented the Hood River County School District Board of Directors with applications to fill four vacant positions to the Hood River County Budget Committee. Board members were provided with copies of the applications and asked to rank the top candidates to fill the open spaces.

Open positions and applicants are as follows:

- **Position 1** – application received from Sarah Cordeiro
- **Position 2** – application received from David Russo
- **Position 3** – applications received from Jace Castello and Tim Counihan
- **Position 4** – application received from Jesus Becerra

It was moved by Board Member Corinda Hankins Elliott and seconded by Board Member Benjamin Sheppard to appoint the following applicants to the Budget Committee. Motion approved unanimously.

- **Position 1** – Appoint Sarah Cordeiro to the Budget Committee
- **Position 2** – Appoint David Russo to the Budget Committee
- **Position 3** – Appoint Tim Counihan to the Budget Committee
- **Position 4** – Appoint Jesus Becerra to the Budget Committee

A full copy of this action item may be found at the District Office as well as on the district website.

D. **Approval of Resolution #17-18/05 Supplemental Budget:**

Chief Financial Officer Saundra Buchanan presented the Hood River County School District Board of Directors with Resolution #17-18/05 Supplemental Budget.

The supplemental budget will include changes to ten percent or less to the appropriations of the Food Service Fund, Student Body Fund, Community Education Fund and Capitol Construction & Improvements Fund.

It was moved by Board Member Rich Truax and seconded by Board Vice Chair Chrissy Reitz to approve Resolution #17-18/05 Supplemental Budget as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

A full copy of this action item may be found at the District Office as well as on the district website.
BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Board Member Julia Garcia Ramirez stated how excited she is to hear the district has received the Meyer Memorial Trust Grant as well as other grants. She talked about the meeting with the Meyer Memorial Grant staff and how great it was. She was not anticipating receiving the grant and thanked the administration for their work on achieving this grant.

Board Member Corinda Hankins Elliott had no comment at this time.

Board Member Rich Truax had no comment at this time.

Board Vice Chair Chrissy Reitz congratulated CFO Saundra Buchanan for her achievement and recognition during the meeting tonight as well as the work she does for our district.

Board Member Tom Scully had no comment at this time.

Board Member Benjamin Sheppard stated he was very excited about the on-line school information.

Board Chair Mark Johnson thanked for the great reports tonight and the hard work from all staff.

REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:16 P.M.

Superintendent       Board Chair

Date