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Finance Advisory and Bond Oversight Committee Minutes
October 17, 2019

Committee Members:

Present: Dr. Sara Hahn-Huston (left at 5:00 pm), Sandra Buchanan, Charlene Ames, Michael McElwee, Chrissy Reitz, Rich Polkinghorn, Nancy Rowley, and Rich Truax.

Absent: Jesus Becerra, Kelly Beard, Brent Emmons, and David Russo

Welcome & Call to Order – 4:00 pm

Dr. Sara Hahn-Huston called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm on October 17, 2019 in the Nathaniel Coe Administrative Center Board Room.

Public Comment

Sandra Buchanan opened the meeting for public comment, but there were no comments shared.

Reports & Discussions – 4:05 pm

a. Capital Projects & Improvements Report

José Aparicio went over the main projects and improvements for each school/area including the following:

Cascade Locks Elementary School: The parking lot is in. the black top used for the play area will be painted soon. The safety vestibule is being constructed. It is being made with increased visibility. The roofing repairs and project is being completed as the weather permits.

May Street Elementary School: Another fuel tank was discovered unexpectedly under the old building when the area was being prepared for blacktop. The surrounding soil is being tested for contaminants. When that is clear, the hole will be filled in and the project will continue as planned. May Street is repaved now and open for use. The sidewalks are in along the roadways. There is a trail on the east side between 9th & June Streets. It will have gates to be open to the adjoining neighborhood.

Upcoming projects to be completed:

- Hood River Valley High School (Career and Technical Education) CTE Center
- Hood River Middle School Entry/Office/Security Enhancements

- Hood River County School District warehouse roof project

The projects are all being done within budget up to this point in time.

b. Financial Report

Saundra Buchanan, Chief Financial Officer, along with her team, has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting (CAFR) by Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA). Receiving this award because of their “spirit of full disclosure” in clearly communicating the financial story of the district.

Ms. Buchanan went over the written Financial Report. The report can be viewed in its entirety on the Finance Advisory and Bond Oversight Committee page on the district website for October 17, 2019. The report reveals that the district projects and budget are all on track for the 2019-20 fiscal year.

The meeting was adjourned by Saundra Buchanan at 5:25 pm.

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