

**Oyster River Cooperative School District
Regular Meeting
High School**

August 7, 2019

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SCHOOL BOARD: Brian Cisneros, Dan Klein, Michael Williams, Al Howland, Denise Day, Kenny Rotner, Tom Newkirk
Not Present: Student Representative: Yasmeen Gunandar

ADMINISTRATORS: Sue Caswell, David Goldsmith, Misty Lowe, Lisa Huppe

There was 1 member of the public present

I. CALL TO ORDER

6:30-7:00 Manifest Review

Tom Newkirk announced that there would not be a non-public session this evening.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Denise Day moved to approve the agenda with the above change, 2nd by Dan Klein. Motion passed 7-0.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve 7/10/19 regular and communication workshop meeting minutes:

Revisions:

Page 2 - change motion on transit vans from “without” to “with”

Page 4 - 5th paragraph motion insert “Brian Cisneros to Tech Committee and Al Howland to Sustainability Committee.”

Insert “The Board reentered public session at 8:10 p.m. Al Howland made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Brian Cisneros. The motion to adjourn at 8:11 p.m. passed 7-0.

Denise Day moved to approve the minutes with the above revisions, 2nd by Brian Cisneros. Motion passed 7-0.

Communication Workshop Meeting Minutes:

Denise Day moved to approve the Communication Workshop Meeting Minutes, 2nd by Brian Cisneros. Motion passed 7-0.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS

A. District: Misty Lowe, Interim Principal of Mast Way, has invited all the staff to meet with her one on one over the summer. She has also put out invitations to the community and parents for them to come in and meet with her. Misty is thankful for the opportunity.

B. Board: Tom Newkirk mentioned the works of writer Elizabeth Strout who is a Pulitzer Prize Award Winner and former Oyster River student.

VI. DISTRICT REPORTS

A. Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum and Instruction Reports: None

B. Superintendent's Report:

Sustainability Bus Survey Results: Maggie Morrison from the Sustainability Committee reported that last year they hired Justin Klinger to conduct an electric bus survey. Justin Klinger presented the results to the Board:

Electric Bus and EV Charging Stations

Twin Rivers School District - Overview (CA)

Plan for 10 years of use
.17 - .19 cents for a kilowatt mile
Diesel runs about .86 a mile

75% maintenance savings compared to diesel
No oil changes, diesel filters, air filters

Spent \$3,315.15 on maintenance costs from November 2018 – March 5, 2019
Labor and parts
16 buses

Challenges:
No operational challenges
Delay in funding
Took longer than expected to install infrastructure
Topography – very few hills there
Weather – suburb of Sacramento, dry, not as cold as NH

Conclusion: Electric Bus

A new diesel bus costs about \$90,000. When driving more than 10,000 miles a year, it costs ORCSD between \$6,427 (2014) and \$14,266 (2006) for maintenance and fuel.

Kenny Rotner asked about using these buses for field trips. Justin responded that initially these buses could not be used for field trips because of the distance.

Brian Cisneros thinks it would be a great piece of information to find out how many miles would we have to go before we hit a break even point.

A new Lion electric bus costs \$321,235. Estimated cost to operate for a year would be \$1,739.66. \$1,118.66 for electricity and \$621.00 per year for maintenance.

Conclusions: EV Charging Stations

153 responses sent to 450 people (34% response rate)

Data tells us that having an electric vehicle charging station at work would increase the likelihood of an EV purchase for 43% (64 respondents)

41% of respondents (45) would be willing to pay to charge an electric vehicle at work.

Kenny Rotner asked how long it takes to charge a bus, how many would we need, what is the cost of the charging station and would we need personnel at the charging station? Justin mentioned that typically they would charge overnight and that you could charge two or three buses on one charging station. A level 3 charging station does cost hundreds of thousands of dollars but there are rebates available.

Barrington School Board Meeting:

Superintendent Morse informed that Board that they have been invited to attend a Barrington School Board meeting and asked them to look at their calendars to see if the 1st Tuesday or 3rd Tuesday in October works best for them.

Orchard Drive: They have received correspondence that the committee is very close to meeting their fundraising goal.

Enrollment Update: Superintendent Morse reported that in the seven years he has been here, the elementary enrollment is as good as he has seen. The District is in compliance with class sizes at this point.

Kenny Rotner asked how many Barrington students there are and asked for the breakdown of numbers of where they are attending high school.

Construction Projects in the District: The front office at the high school is almost complete. They are working on the punch list now. The Moharimet project is coming along nicely and on track. Superintendent Morse encouraged everyone to check out these projects. They are a nice addition to the schools.

Summer Hiring Updates:

Grade 1 Teacher	Mast Way
.5FTE Biology Teacher	High School
Asst. Special Ed Director	High School

Denise Day moved to accept as presented the Superintendents hiring of the above positions 2nd by Dan Klein. Motion passed 6-0-1 with Kenny Rotner abstaining.

Tuition Student to ORHS:

Denise Day moved to accept a tuition student from Strafford to Oyster River, 2nd by Brian Cisneros. Motion passed 7-0.

Cooperative Program in Boys and Girls Lacrosse:

Superintendent Morse reviewed a memo from Director of Athletics, Andy Lathrop. He is requesting permission to pursue cooperative programs with Newmarket High School in both Boys and Girls Lacrosse. With the decline in numbers over the past four to five years in both programs, it has become increasingly difficult to field Varsity and JV Teams. This past season, we were in danger of losing the Boys Program. While the girl's numbers were not quite as dire, we had to many players for one team and not enough for two.

The Board agreed that this will be a discussion item on the agenda with Andy Lathrop at an upcoming meeting.

**Board Goals: Revised New Middle School/Communication Plan/CBE:
Revisions:**

Communication Goal:

Goal Three Add “And district initiatives” after contract with a professional to write engaging articles focused on staff and students.”

New Middle School Goal:

Goal One: Pre-bond

Goal Two: Post bond

Denise Day moved to adopt the three board goals as presented and amended, 2nd by Dan Klein. Motion passed 7-0.

Addition of 2 School Nutrition Part Time Personnel:

Doris Demers spoke to the Board requesting to add two cashier positions. She is requesting a 2 hour cashier for each of the middle school and high school. The cost would be approximately \$9,200 total. She wills that this would increase the quality of service and allow better management of the kitchens.

Al Howland moved to approve the hiring of 2 part time cashiers 2nd by Dan Klein. Motion passed 7-0.

C. Business Administrator: None

D. Student Senate Report: None

E. Other: None

VII. DISCUSSION ITEM

VIII. ACTIONS

A. Superintendent Actions: None

B. Board Action Items:

Motion to appoint 2019-20 Sustainability Coordinator Stipend Position:

Recommendation: Maggie Morrison: \$20,000

Kenny Rotner asked for a more detailed description on how many hours this entails, the and the job description. Superintendent Morse will return to the board with further information at an upcoming Board meeting.

Brian Cisneros moved to approve the high school volunteer and paid coaches' positions, middle school paid coaches' positions, high school department heads and advisors, middle school paid club and activities advisors, Mast Way and Moharimet activities advisors' stipends, 2nd by Denise Day. Motion passed 7-0.

List of Policies for a first reading:

DKC - Expense Reimbursement/District and Federal Funds

DA - Fiscal and Federal Monitoring and Management

D2 - Procurement Subrecipient Monitoring and Management

JLCF - Wellness

Denise Day moved to pass the above list of policies for a first reading, 2nd by Brian Cisneros. Motion passed 7-0.

IX. SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE UPDATES:

A. Manifest Reviewed and Approved by Manifest Subcommittee:

Payroll Manifest #26: \$4,381,041.95

Payroll Manifest #1: \$161,060.61

Payroll Manifest #2: \$364,793.85

Vendor Manifest #31: \$2,615.90

Vendor Manifest # 3 \$1,438,830.03

Tom Newkirk reported that the Middle School Building Committee has been meeting and working on the positioning of the building and whether they will need a road behind the building and the outside of the building. There will be a presentation by the architect at the next meeting.

Orchard Drive Project: Al Howland has written an article on where Orchard Drive is and why it is a lynchpin property.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

XI. CLOSING ACTIONS:

**A. Future Meeting Dates: 8/21/19 Regular Meeting – High School Library
9/04/19 Regular Meeting – High School Library**

XII NON-PUBLIC SESSION: Removed from Agenda

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Al Howland moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m., 2nd by Brian Cisneros. Motion passed 7-0.

Respectfully yours,
Laura Grasso Dobson
Recording Secretary