



THE VALLEY SCHOOL OF SOUTHERN OREGON

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Regular Meeting Minutes

January 20, 2020 @ 5:15 P.M.

at The Valley School, 857 Valley View Drive, Medford 97504

DIRECTORS: Kathy McCullough, Rainy Tilton, Heather Olivier, Brian Manthe, Alan Jackson

Absent: Brian Manthe

STAFF: Jeanetta Woodside, Jared Doshier

MISSION OF THE BOARD: *Provide direction and leadership for The Valley School by shaping the vision, mission and goals, by developing a series of policies and frameworks for how the school runs, by establishing good working relationships with the director, staff and community, and by supervising and protecting the fiscal interest of the school to assure that our mission is sustainable.*

Valley School Mission: *The Valley School changes middle schoolers' lives by fostering a culture of curiosity, creativity and community.*

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, ESTABLISH QUORUM

Alan Jackson, Kathy McCullough, Heather Olivier, Rainey Tilton

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Agenda adopted, moved by Kathy McCullough and seconded by Rainy Tilton, motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jared Doshier reported on the information night from last week. There are 60 to 70 applications for the lottery. The diversity that the MSD would like to see still isn't there. That is something that Jeanetta Woodside will be working on in the future and the board will work on how to proceed as well. This week there is alumni coming to talk with the 8th graders about what to expect when they move to their new schools. The winter Iread went very well. Reading was done only by those not meeting from the fall testing, everyone did the math portion. They are on track to improve from last year. Also wanted to mention that the students are very involved in building things for the school such as cornhole and gaga ball as well as making tamales and helping by making bat wraps for Australia during the fires.

Jeanetta Woodside reported on the fact that the fundraising budget is under and she'd like to look at moving 75K to savings to accrue interest. Currently the auction is set for either May 4th or 5th, Jeanetta will review the date as we need as many board members as possible to attend. Kathy McCullough did mention that she would not be available any of the weekends in May. She does want to also look at the substitute teacher policy.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of minutes – Motion made by Rainy Tilton and seconded by Kathy McCullough seconded to approve as printed, motion passed.

2. Banking authorizations to include Jeanetta Woodside – A motion was made by Kathy McCullough and seconded by Alan Jackson to do the following: Authorize Jeanetta Woodside to be the manager of PERS, get a credit card for Jeanetta, give Jeanetta signature authority for all accounts including PTO, savings and checking and remove Corine Kaddouz from all accounts. The motion passed. Jeanetta will review the new system to receive monies in the future.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Lottery Process – there are 38 openings for the 6th grade. The open meeting for the lottery will be February 12th at 1:30 pm. We want as much transparency as possible during the meeting. There have been comments made regarding this and the thought is that a lot of this could be coming from some of the other charter schools. The thought is to put the lottery process that we use on the public Facebook page as well as the website. Jeanetta wants to be sure and process a waiver as a founding board member to allow her children to attend without going through the lottery.
2. Staff Transition – Would like to leave Stacey at the 12 ½ hours plus an additional hour she is currently at during the transition of Jared back to the classroom. After the transition is complete would like to leave the additional hour. Jeanetta will review this. The board wants all of the staff to know how appreciative they are about how everything has gone during this period of time of hiring an Executive Director. Jared feels good about going back to his original pay as of January 31st. Again, we, the board, is very appreciative of all that Jared has given to the school during this time. We want to be sure to engage people in our board meetings as a way to recognize them. We will look at that for future meetings.
3. Grant writing meeting – There is a meeting tomorrow at 10:00 am that Jeanetta and Jared are involved in with the two grant writers.
4. PTO Update – Heather and Jeanetta will be meeting with the PTO board, working on making clearer processes going forward.
5. OSBA Policy updates – will table until our next meeting. Question if the board is going to the google drive for updates. They haven't, Heather will look at how to make notifications to the board in the future, or just send out an email when things are updated.
6. Board information – want to add a link to the website for board recruitment that includes questions, etc. Would like to clean up the board page to make it cleaner.
7. Board session for financials – will set up a work session to look the financials once a month.

ADJOURNMENT – adjourned at 6:57 pm

DATES TO REMEMBER: