



THE VALLEY SCHOOL OF SOUTHERN OREGON

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AGENDA

Regular Meeting

April 15th, 2019 @ 5:15-6:45pm

DIRECTORS: Brian Manthe, Kathy McCullough, Heather Olivier, Barnabas Sprinkle, Rainy Tilton, Jeanetta Woodside

STAFF: Amy Thuren (Executive Director)

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.*

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, ESTABLISH QUORUM

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time, any person may comment on any item that is not on the agenda that is within the jurisdiction of the board. Please voluntarily state your name for the record. Action will not be taken on any item that is not on the agenda. Items requiring action will be referred to staff and/or placed on a future agenda. Please limit comments to no more than three minutes. Comments on items that are on the agenda will be heard when the agenda item is taken up by the board.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Directors or staff may request that an item be pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

1. Minutes of March 18th, 2019
2. March Financials

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Beautification Project display: Ms. Mimi
2. Review draft of the Budget

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Adoption of 2019-2020 school calendar

2. Review staff contracts
3. Chromebook policy
4. Membership for Coalition of Community Charter Schools

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (All)

- Curriculum adoption - 5/6
- Policy ongoing

ADJOURNMENT

DATES TO REMEMBER:

April 25th: Parent Feedback and Budget Review night (7pm and led by Barnabas)

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Absent: Brian Manthe

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Barnabas Sprinkle, Jeanetta Woodside, Kathy McCullough, Heather Olivier, Rainey Tilton – Quorum Established

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Added to agenda: Policy Updates – will add to all agendas for future meetings

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

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1. Minutes of the March 18th, 2019 meeting were approved.
2. March Financials – check numbers are 3701 through 3745.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Beautification Project presented by Ms. Mimi – Make sure the fence projects are neat and not 'junky'. Possibly leave garden beds until next year. Have kids look at how the projects will look in 2 years. Maybe look at each section of fencing having a different project. Take pictures for legacy purposes of each project. Put the container gardens along the back fence.

2. Budget Review - Amy Thuren spoke with Brad Earl regarding the budget reserve, it is really whatever the board decides. Amy thinks 16% or 2 months of expenses. Will ask Brian Manthe his thoughts on a CD scenario. Look at moving \$30k from the checking account to a reserve account. Leaving money where it is right now, between savings and checking accounts. Have added \$10k for professional development for the teachers. Future investments would like to build a gym (the property owner is okay with any building done). Also need a 15 passenger van, approximately a \$20k investment. Want to expand a network with other Charter schools, local, regional, state events. A coalition of Charter Schools dues are \$1.2k. There are quarterly OSBA trainings. If student teacher or observation teachers are used, they can save in funding. Preliminarily want to add Craig as a co-teacher. Will bring the budget to parents on April 25th during the parent survey. Want to use Survey Monkey in the future to make it completely anonymous, probably why a fairly low response rate.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Adoption of 2019-2020 school calendar. The calendar was adopted with a motion made by Jeanetta Woodside, seconded by Kathy McCullough and motion passed.
2. Staff Contracts – 3 teachers to \$52k from \$50k as lead and director positions, 1 to \$45k stays the same with no director responsibility, \$33k for preliminary and restricted position. Motion made by Rainey Tilton and seconded by Jeanetta Woodside. Motion passed.
3. Chromebook policy – Would like each student purchase their own. Need to look at issues and barriers to having their own, IEP programs, supply list would be reduced to \$75. Possible insurance for the Chromebooks. A motion was made to check out the purchase of Chromebooks, lowering the supply fee to \$75 with possible insurance or being able to sell the current supply at a reduced price. Kathy McCullough made the motion, Rainey Tilton seconded. Motion passed.
4. Membership for Coalition of Community Charter Schools – would like to join with an affiliate membership for networking. The membership is in the proposed budget of \$1.2k. A motion was made by Jeanetta Woodside and seconded by Kathy McCullough to join the Coalition. The motion passed.
5. Evaluation Survey – how do we proceed with it? Need an executive session to review it. That will be held on April 25th from 5pm to 7 pm prior to the Parent Feedback and Budget Review.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Need board recruitment ideas.

ADJOURNMENT – adjourned at 6:50 pm

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