

**Salmon School District #291
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 17, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Chuck Overacker at 6:00 p.m.

Present were Chairman Chuck Overacker, Vice Chair Juniper MacFarlane, Trustee Richard Natelson, Trustee Kellen Miller and Trustee Tammy Dahle. A quorum was present. Also present were Superintendent Chris Born; Director of Finance, Planning, and Program Evaluation, Eileen Holden; and Standing in Clerk, Chaylin Olson.

REGULAR SESSION

Chuck Overacker led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

BUDGET HEARING: (EILEEN HOLDEN)

Eileen Holden presented a slide show with all of the financial earnings, expenditures, and what she has budgeted for the coming 2019-2020 School year. Slide show is attached.

Vice Chair Juniper MacFarlane asked what the difference between the Medicaid bail out this year and what it was the previous year. Director Eileen Holden replied that the numbers were close to the same. Vice Chair MacFarlane asked why the After-School Promise was not being funded by the state. Chairman Chuck Overacker told her that it wouldn't go away it will just have to be reduced. They will most likely have to drop the older kids. He told everyone that they did not lose the grant, it simply requires a mandatory break. Trustee Tammy Dahle asked about why the Gear up Program was dissolved. Director Eileen Holden told the board that they had applied but were not able to qualify for. Trustee Dahle then asked if they would try for it again in the 2019-2020 school year. Superintendent Born explained that Salmon School District would not be able to get it for at least the next 6 year. The Grant runs on a 7-year cycle before a school can qualify again.

Director Eileen Holden explained that in the forest funds they have set aside some funds to finish the roof, and have tentatively budgeted for the track to be resurfaced. She also included some repair on the sewer and possibly some new bleachers.

Rob Hallen asked Director Holden why the School District was reducing our dependency on the forest funds. Director Holden explained to Mr. Hallen that the School District never knows if they are going to get those funds every year. The Board has made it a one-time expenditure account instead rather than relying on it for operating costs. Vice Chair MacFarlane then added that they just can't count on it. The District tries to use it for maintenance and repairs.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input.

ACTION ITEMS

Approve Agenda

Trustee Richard Natelson motioned to approve the June 17, 2019 agenda as presented, the motion was seconded by Trustee Tammy Dahle. Passed 5/0.

Consent Agenda

1. Meeting minutes of May 20, 2019
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Accounts Payable May 2019
4. Personnel Recommendations

Trustee Kellen Miller motioned to approve the Consent Agenda, the motion was seconded by Trustee Richard Natelson. Passed 5/0.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Annual Budget 2019-20FY

Trustee Natelson moved to approve the proposed budget for the 2019-20FY, seconded by Trustee Dahle. Passed 5/0.

School Bond Committee

Liz Townley told the Board that at the last meeting she spoke about the bond committee and where they wanted to take things. Rick Sessions decided to head up the building committee and he found a few ideas. The idea of bringing in an architect who has a lot of experience, and who could give you more options and ideas. She told the Board that there may be a better way to host the community meetings. The Ad Hoc Committee has decided to slow down on getting the meetings going and want to hold back and talk to the architect so that we can better inform the communities. Hutchison and Smith Architecture agreed to come out the 25th and 26th of June to meet with the public and committee members to answer questions. The Committee has also been working with someone in the community to do current soil work.

Trustee Kellen Miller asked if the Committee was still thinking they could run the bond on the November date that was originally planned. Ms. Townley explained that they would like to but the community really needs to stand behind it so it could be later. Trustee Dahle wanted to know how soon it would be before they started to have the meetings. Liz Townley told the board that it would be at least a month out. They would like for the architect to be there so he can answer any questions the community may have. Liz said that they know that they will need to be getting the information out so that everyone can have the information they need to make a decision.

Trustee Miller motioned to table the school bond committee vote, Trustee Natelson seconded. Passed 5/0.

Track Resurfacing

Superintendent Born referred to an attachment in the board packet. He told the Board that there were a couple of different proposals shown. The one he and the Athletic Director, Jeremy Burgess, would like is the two layers plus repairs for \$68,753. He told them that The Track Doctor is a state contractor, so we did not have to post a bid. Director Holden added that the bid does not include the peeling off of the current track. Superintendent Born agreed but said he thought they could have it done local if not The Track Doctor will know who can do it. Trustee Dahle asked in the life of a track was around 12-13 years. Superintendent Born agreed.

Vice Chair MacFarlane motioned to move forward with the resurfacing of the track for the amount of \$68,753. Motion was seconded by Trustee Natelson. Passed 5/0.

Superintendent Born added that it is scheduled to start on July 9th and they think it should be done in two weeks. He thinks it could take a little longer.

Rick Sessions wanted to know if Brad Duke would be willing to donate more money to help. He told them that he would be willing to call. Superintendent Born agreed that it would be worth asking.

Proposed Policy Changes

Trustee Natelson motioned to table the Policy Changes. Trustee Dahle seconded the motion. Passed 5/0.

Continuous Improvement Plan

Trustee Miller motioned to table the Continuous Improvement Plan, Trustee Natelson seconded. Passed 5/0.

INFORMATION ITEMS

CDC/DO Relocation Information

Superintendent Chris Born told the Board that it is quite a balancing act. There are three buildings at the Alternative School. The first one is the main office and had a classroom. The second building had Eileen's classroom and the third was just storage. The third building has turned into our District Wide storage for files. What was Eileen's classroom in the second building is now shared by Eileen, Brady and Pam, the secretary. He said they have turned that one building into two classrooms and an office. The main building has had to be updated. All in all, it is in pretty good shape. It is a little smaller than the current District Office but it will work great. In the mean-time, CDC has been getting moved out because the District said they would be out by the 15th of June and it will be really close. The bathroom that is in the current DO has been completely dismantled and it will be ADA compliant. Most of the CDC is now in the old Conference room. He told the Board that the bugaboo of the whole move is getting the phone line that the DO requires into the Alt School. It looks like it will be 4-6 weeks. The CDC board has given us first shot at the playground supplies so the District is looking at those and will take what we can use. The bathroom at the current DO should be done this coming week for sure. All of the files they are not using at the DO have been moved to the new storage building.

Pioneer Elementary Administrators Report

Principal John Hamilton was not present.

Salmon Junior Senior High School Administrators Report

Principal Doug Owen was not present.

Director of Finance, Planning, and Program Evaluation Report

Director Eileen Holden told the Board that this time of the year is when we finish closing out a lot of the expenses, and a lot of reports due this time of year as well. That is part of what everyone is doing in the office around all of the renovation noise.

Trustee Dahle thanked Eileen Holden for all of the hard work she put into the budget and for putting it into laymen's terms.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Born told the Board about all of the things that were discussed when he met with the State Department of Education. He told the Board that things were not looking up for rural and remote schools, but if they kept speaking up eventually someone would hear them. He also told the Board that Rural and Safe school initiative would be coming back. They will also be looking at helping teachers' pay off their school debt. There is a committee that will be made up to determine who will get the Master Teacher Premiums and who will not. Trustee Natelson asked if anyone had talked about having an SRO.

Superintendent Born explained to Trustee Natelson, and the Board that he would like to have two. One in each building. The younger students only have bad experiences with the cops, and he hoped that having someone there would not only protect the students but help them learn to trust cops a little more. With the older students they know what cops are for, so it is a little different. He told them that he thinks it would be a good

thing, and Superintendent Ybarra would leave the decision of how to best utilize the funds if her Safety Funding was passed to the local districts.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:12p.m.

Chuck Overacker, Chairman

Date

Chaylin Olson, Stand in Board Clerk

Date