## SCHOOL BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS MAY 11, 2015



## SUPERINTENDENT AWARDS:

Each month, teachers may nominate students for the Superintendent's Award. The award is given in recognition of outstanding personal accomplishments. Recipients for May were: Jenna Graham and Leighara Gottfried, fourth grade; Yanci Hernandez, eighth grade; and Ben Atterberry tenth grade.

## **ACTION:**

- Approved minutes of the April 13, 2015, school board meeting.
- Approved the hire of elementary teachers Kathleen Willey and Jonathan Keranen and science teacher, Ross Waite.
- Accepted dairy bid from Umpgua Diary for 2015-2016.
- Adopted Resolution 05-01-15, approving the relocation of the district office to the high school campus effective June 15, 2015.
- Determined the Board will use the same evaluation form and process for evaluating the Superintendent this year.

## **BUSINESS/REPORTS:**

- Robyn Bailey as part of her administrative program reported on several areas from the elementary school. She touched on student testing; Community Clean-Up Day; Bloom N BBQ brought in \$10,000; the ESD on behalf of the elementary is submitting a grant for \$10,000 for library books; Kindergarten Round-up hosted 35 incoming kinders; thanked everyone for acknowledging Teacher Appreciation Week, and the elementary Clothes Closet received \$550 from community groups.
- Principal Zwemke reported the counseling office would be awarding personal management certificates very soon to those students who met those soft skills for employability. Teachers began assessing students two years ago. There are three levels of certificates, platinum, silver and gold. The school has made contact with local City Chamber groups requesting they contact the school when they have jobs open for students. The staff is working on revising the Student/Parent Handbooks (grade 7-12) for next year. The School will be addressing entrance requirements for students entering ninth grade beginning with the Class of 2020 (this year's 7<sup>th</sup> grade). There will be summer school this year available for students grades 7-12 who are behind in their course work.
- Superintendent Gardner reported he met with representatives from Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services, a private nonprofit organization who addresses affordable housing needs in the area. The group is very interested in redeveloping the Brownsville district property into a mixed housing project. They will be completing a site evaluation at their expense. Then they will begin the design process that will involve the School Board, and community input resulting in a detailed project concept they will use to secure project financing. It was the consensus of the Board to further pursue this project.
- Superintendent Gardner spoke to the proposed budget in that the district is not looking to cut student programs or teachers but trying to balance the budget in other ways, with some of the priorities collected at the first budget meeting.

COMMUNITY MEETING WITH SUPERINTENDENT GARDNER - TOPIC BUDGET INPUT MAY 13, 6:30 P.M. HALSEY CITY HALL

NEXT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING - HIGH SCHOOL, JUNE 8, 2015 - 6:30 P.M.