

CALL TO ORDER:

On May 12, 2014, Chairman Goracke called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Central Linn High School.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Chris Wyne, DeeDee Thomas, George Frasier, Mark Penrod, Dave Goracke; and Eric Gerber arrived at 6:33 p.m.

Members Absent: Charley Wolff

Employees Present: Brian Gardner, Superintendent; Susan Beaudin, Board Secretary; Scott Fitterer, Wendy Kivett, Johnna Neal, Carole Boaz, Deborah Branson, Jesse Whiteaker, Licensed; Jon Zwemke and Amanda O'Brien, Principals; Mike Wertz, Supervisor; Celeste Van Cleve, Deputy Clerk.

Others: Wanda Holmes, Chandra Evans, Jeff McConnell, Andronica Armstrong, Blue Notes Students, Ag Students, Kirt Glenn, Tony Isom, Pat and Jennifer Wombacher, Linda LaFond, Makenna Watson, Sarah Isom, Grace Wombacher, Lisa Goracke, Sage McConnell, Maddie Neuswander and others.

3.0 GOOD OF THE ORDER/COMMUNICATIONS:

3.1 Agenda Adjustments – Add to 4.8 Tiffanie Arellano and 4.10 Classified Memorandum of Understanding

3.2 Blue Notes Report – Members of Blue Notes sang and showed a short video clip of their trip to New York. They extended their thanks to the Board and community members who supported them and the fine arts program.

3.3 FFA Report – Sage McConnell, Maddie Neuswander and Case Goracke reported on FFA activities for the year including leadership and local and state competitions where Central Linn had been a participant. They thanked the Board and community for its support for the agriculture program.

3.4 Student Body Report – Kaylie Vaughan, new ASB President, reported on recent student activities that included the Thirst Project, Mr. Cobra Pageant, prom and student council elections for 2014-15.

3.5 Superintendent Awards – Each month, teachers may nominate students for the Superintendent's Award. The award is given in recognition of outstanding personal accomplishments. Receipts for May were: Makenna Watson, fourth grade; Sarah Isom, eighth grade, and Grace Wombacher, senior. The meeting recessed briefly for photo session and reconvened at approximately 7:08 p.m.

4.0 ACTION/BUSINESS:

4.1 Approve Meeting Minutes – Director Thomas moved to approve the meeting minutes of April 14, 2014, and school board work session of April 30, 2014, as submitted. Director Frasier second, motion passed 6-0. Director Wolff absent for the vote.

4.2 Board Work Session – Agenda item 4.1

4.3 Approve Increase in Meal Prices – Food Service Supervisor, Mike Wertz, reported the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 requires the district to ensure sufficient funds are provided for lunches served to students not eligible for free or reduced price meals. There are two ways to meet this requirement: either through the prices charged for "paid" lunches or through other non-federal sources, such as general fund monies. Mr. Wertz requested the Board approve the maximum allowable increase of ten cents at both the high school and

elementary school and five cents increase for both milk sold separately and breakfast. He stated school districts are struggling to manage programs in the black with these mandates. Director Wyne moved to approve the meal and milk increases as requested. Director Penrod second, motion passed 6-0. Director Wolff absent for the vote.

- 4.4 **Accept Dairy Bids** – The Board reviewed the one dairy bid submitted by Umpqua Dairy. Director Thomas moved to accept the dairy bid submitted by Umpqua for 2014-2015. Director Wyne second, motion passed 6-0. Director Wolff absent for the vote.
- 4.5 **Discuss Facilities Options** - Superintendent Gardner reviewed district facility needs as drafted by the Board at its' recent work session. Elementary School - Tier I: roof, control systems, floors and Tier II: infrastructure, electrical, IT, drainage, ceilings and sewer/water lines. High School - Tier I: roof, sewer/water systems, heating, electric upgrades, domestic water/plumbing fixtures and Tier II: new roof (barrel vs. pitch), cooling, IT, educational upgrades, drainage, relocate district office, maintenance shop and equipment, track, and outside doors (security). Superintendent Gardner will obtain costs for these projects.
- 4.6 **Adopt School Board Policies** – Director Frasier moved to adopt JF/JFA, Student Rights and Responsibilities; JFC, Student Conduct; JFCJ, Weapons in the Schools; JG, Student Discipline; JGAB, Use of Physical Restraint and Seclusion; JHCB, Immunization and Vision Screening/Eye Examination; DJCA, Personal Services Contracts; and FLA/GBK/JFCG, Tobacco-Free Environment as submitted. Director Penrod second, no discussion, motion passed 6-0. Director Wolff absent for the vote.
- 4.7 **Budget Committee Vacancy** – Superintendent Gardner reported the district was still advertising for the vacant budget committee position representing Zone 5.
- 4.8 **Acknowledge Staff Resignations and Leave Requests** – The Board acknowledged Superintendent Gardner had accepted the resignations from: John Potwora, Custodian; Jessica Ekegren, Elementary Teacher, and Jesse Whiteaker, Jr High Teacher; and approved leave requests from Laurie McCloskey, Art Teacher (September – December 2014); and Tiffanie Arellano, Speech Language Assistant (September – October 2014).
- 4.9 **Superintendent Evaluation** – It was the consensus of the Board to complete the evaluation form provided in their packet to evaluate Superintendent Gardner. Evaluation forms should be submitted to Board Secretary by June 2, for compiling information for the June Board meeting. Board members should indicate on their evaluation form if they would prefer an open meeting or an executive session to discuss the evaluation with Mr. Gardner. Mr. Gardner will notify Board members when his portfolio, relating to his work at Central Linn, is available for them to review if they so desire. An online staff survey will be conducted and results shared with the Board at the June meeting.
- 4.10 **Classified Memorandum of Understanding** – The Board reviewed a Memorandum of Understanding between the district and the classified employee unit approving a new job title “Facilities Technician”. Superintendent Gardner explained the goal was to replace custodians, maintenance and grounds positions into one position. He recognized this would require some professional development and the need to raise some basic skills for these staff members but the idea is they could be assigned any of those duties in either building as needed by the Director of Facilities. The MOU did grandfather the current grounds and maintenance people. The custodians will receive a small raise in pay ranging from 40-75 cents an hour. The Board questioned if there was a schedule for professional development. Superintendent Gardner stated that will generated by the Director of Facilities and that PACE and/or Safe Schools offers such training and is available to staff. Director Frasier moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the classified unit as submitted. Director Wyne second, motion passed 6-0. Director Wolff absent for the vote.

5.0 **REPORTS:**

5.1 **Financial** – Ms. Van Cleave voiced concern that support services had a remaining \$17,000 available and with the \$100,000 technology project taking place at the elementary we may have to do a transfer and/or a supplemental budget in June. The district is upgrading all netbooks, installing Wi-Fi in all classrooms, and placing 5 -6 computers in each classroom at the elementary. She reported all three bidders for the Grieve mobile home had been rejected by the mobile home park. Superintendent Gardner will bring to the June meeting two or three clear options to resolving the ownership of the mobile home donated by previous employee, Dave Grieve.

5.2 **Principals** – Principal O'Brien submitted the elementary school report in the Board packet. She noted the recent Bloom N BBQ fundraiser profited over \$10,000. The Board questioned the martial arts class held at the school. Ms. O'Brien stated Gary Martin conducts his class every Tuesday and will until the end of the school year. He currently has over 40 students participating in the class.

Principal Zwemke submitted the high school report in the Board packet. Mr. Zwemke responded to the question raised at last month's meeting regarding the number of suspensions. The twenty-two suspensions were all over the board and not contained to one or two types of discipline infractions. Mr. Zwemke stated student test scores are way up. He encouraged all to be supportive of students and staff; everyone's hard work is finally paying off. Director Goracke commented the community's perception on the changes appear to be more positive as he was receiving less phone calls on the subject. Director Gerber questioned if students on an individual level understood the broader concept. Mr. Zwemke responded the teachers are informing students in the classroom; it's a cultural level change.

5.3 **Superintendent** – Superintendent Gardner reported he had met with Linn County Mental Health and it looks like the district will be able to increase counseling time next year from two days a week to three, possibly four days a week. He had also connected with LBL ESD to assign TaKeshia Thomas as our special education director next year for three days a week. She will be helping us to redesign our delivery model especially at the high school. Mr. Gardner also reported that he, the principals and a few teachers would be presenting at the annual spring COSA Convention in June. The topic will be "Mass Customized Learning". He hopes to make a similar presentation at the annual Oregon School Boards Association Convention this coming November.

Director Thomas suggested the Board host a BBQ for all staff on June 13 in appreciation for their hard work this year. Director Thomas will be in charge of organizing the BBQ.

Board secretary will get a head count of board members/spouses attending graduation who would like to sit in the front row and relay information to high school secretary.

6.0 **ADJOURN:**

With no further business before the Board, Chairman Goracke adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:37 p.m.


Susan Beaudin, Board Secretary


David P. Goracke, Board Chairman

6-9-14
Date Approved