

1.0 FLAG SALUTE/ROLL CALL

On August 16, 2021 Director Leigh called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. in the Central Linn Elementary Gym and Zoom.

Members Present: David Karo, Brian Tenbusch, Randy Smith, Kirt Glenn, Suzy Parker, Parker Leigh present from 6:30 to end of swearing in of officers.

Members Absent: Tony Isom

Others Present: Brian Gardner, Candace Pelt, Celeste Van Cleave, Dena Crowell, Heidi Hermansen, Robyn Bailey, Rachel McKee, Angie Moote, Jamie Derrickson, Alichelen Kjosness, Melissa Bermel, Johnna Neal, Maddie Elliott, Rebekah Schneiter, Dena Weber, Stella Eversull, Maria Guerrero, Grace Mast, Brye Lester, Wendy Cortright, Valerie Stutzman, Tia Parrish, Levi Bishop, Brandin Bishop, Denise Thornton, Connie and Marshall McManus, Wanda Davidson, Dawnita and DJ Nealon, Larry Northern, Maria and Mark Bateman, Mike Day, Jennifer Durringer, Adam Craven, Lauri Archer, Jeff Hetterlee, Denise Johnson, Pamela Solberg, Annette Walker, McLain Family, Holly Parrish, Kristie Glaser, John Claasen, Tropper Solberg, Carl and Tomoko Conner, Jason Curtis

2.0 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- 2.1 **Elect Chairman** – Director Karo nominated Director Tenbusch as Chairman, Director Smith second. Nominations closed. Director Tenbusch was voted Chairman for 2021-2022 with a 4-0 vote. Director Tenbusch and Director Glenn abstained. Director Isom was absent for vote.
- 2.2 **Elect Vice-Chair** – Director Glenn nominated Director Karo as Vice-Chairman, Chairman Tenbusch second. Nominations closed. Director Karo was voted Vice-Chairman for 2021-2022 with a 5-0 vote. Director Karo abstained. Director Isom absent for vote.
- 2.3 **Swearing in of Officers** – Director Glenn and Director Parker took their oaths of office and read the oaths into the record.

3.0 GOOD OF THE ORDER/COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 **Agenda Adjustments:** Added 2.3, Swearing in of Officers; Moved 3.6, Staff Vaccinations and Testing to 7.1, to be included in the Superintendent Report. Moving 6.0, Audience Comments to 5.0 and then moving 5.0, Action/Business to 6.0; Moving 3.4, Superintendent Search to 6.10, as an action item
- 3.2 **Facilities/Maintenance Report:** Report as submitted in Board Packet.
- 3.3 **Building Report:** Elementary Building Report, as submitted in Board Packet.
- 3.4 **Zone 5 Vacancy:** Chairman Tenbusch announced that Zone 5, Budget Committee, has a vacancy from the previous year.

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

Vice Chairman Karo moved to approve the Consent Agenda (4.1-4.11), as submitted. Director Glenn second. Motion passed 5-0. Director Leigh and Director Isom absent for vote.

- 4.1 Approved Candace Pelt as District Clerk.
- 4.2 Approved Celeste Van Cleave as Deputy Clerk.

- 4.3 Approved Candace Pelt as Custodian of Funds and Authorize Facsimile Signature of District Clerk.
- 4.4 Delegated Candace Pelt Authorization to Sign for Federal Programs for the District.
- 4.5 Approved Candace Pelt as the District Budget Officer.
- 4.6 Approved The Times, Eugene Register Guard or the Albany Democrat Herald for District Legal Notices and Publications.
- 4.7 Approved the Firm of Garrett, Hemann, Robertson, Jennings, Comstock & Trethway, P.C. as District Legal Counsel.
- 4.8 Approved Key Bank and the Local Government Investment Pool, as Depositories for School District Funds.
- 4.9 Approved Brown & Brown Insurance as School District's Insurance Agent.
- 4.10 Approved Pauly, Rogers & Co. as Official 2021-2022 Auditors for the District.
- 4.11 Approved that Roberts Rules of Order will be used to conduct board meetings, except where other group processes may be initiated by the superintendent or chair.

5.0 AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Public comment was taken.

6.1 ACTION/BUSINESS

- 6.1 Approve Minutes of the June Regular Board Meeting: Vice Chairman Karo made a motion to approve the June Regular Board Meeting minutes, as submitted. Director Smith second the motion. Motion passed 5-0. Director Leigh and Director Isom absent for vote.
- 6.2 Approve Minutes of the June 28th Work Session and Special Session Meeting: Vice Chairman Karo made a motion to approve the June 28th Work Session and Special Session minutes, as submitted. Director Glenn second the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Director Leigh and Director Isom absent for vote. Director Smith abstained.
- 6.3 Adopt Revised Regular Board Meeting Calendar: No discussion. Director Smith made a motion to adopt the revised Regular Board Meeting Calendar. Vice Chairman Karo second the motion. Motion passed 5.0. Director Leigh and Director Isom absent for vote.
- 6.4 Acknowledge Staff Changes: The Board acknowledged the resignation of Dawnita Nealon, JV Girls' Volleyball Coach; Sheri Brown, Regular Route Bus Driver and Jennie Gilbert, High School Special Education Teacher. The Board also acknowledged the hire of Courtney Cunningham as JV Girls' Volleyball Coach and Ryan Palmer as Assistant Varsity Football Coach.
- 6.5 Approve Licensed Hire: Chairman Tenbusch made a motion to approve the hire of Mary Arnold, Elementary Special Education Teacher, on a temporary contract; TinaMarie Standley, Elementary Teacher, on a temporary contract and Wendi Farris, Middle School Electives Teacher, on a temporary contract. Vice Chairman Karo second the motion. Motion passed 5.0. Director Leigh and Director Isom absent for vote.

- 6.6 **Set Date and Time of High School Graduation:** Vice Chairman Karo moved to set 2022 High School graduation as Saturday, June 11, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. Director Smith second the motion. Motion passed 5.0. Director Leigh and Director Isom absent for vote.
- 6.7 **Approve Seismic Rehabilitation Contract:** Celeste Van Cleave, Business Manager, reported the review committee recommends the Board approve the enclosed WRK Engineers contract to begin seismic rehabilitation design and engineering work on the high school gym and cafeteria domes. Director Smith made a motion to approve WRK Engineers Seismic Rehabilitation Contract. Director Glenn second the motion. Motion passed 5.0. Director Leigh and Director Isom absent for vote.
- 6.8 **Adopt Board Policy:** Vice Chairman Karo made a motion to adopt Board Policies; JGE, Expulsion; BG, Board-Staff Communication and BBC, Board Member Resignation. Director Parker second the motion. Motion passed 5.0. Director Leigh and Director Isom absent for vote.
- 6.9 **Acknowledge Board Policy:** The Board acknowledged, as first reading, Board Policies DJ, District Purchasing and IIBGA, Electronic Communications System.
- 6.10 **Superintendent Search:** Vice Chairman Karo reported positive feedback from community members, staff and board members on Assistant Superintendent Candace Pelt's time serving Central Linn. Vice Chairman Karo then made a motion to suspend Central Linn's Superintendent Search and to move forward in contract negotiations with Candace Pelt as Central Linn's Superintendent. Director Smith second the motion. Motion passed 5.0. Director Leigh and Director Isom absent for vote.

7.0 REPORTS

- 7.1 **Superintendent:** Superintendent Gardner reported passing the State's essential skills test, which tested reading and math, was removed by Governor Brown as a graduation requirement. Central Linn students will continue to be assessed through the proficiency model. The State is now requiring staff vaccinations. Superintendent Gardner reported starting conversations, from a work force standpoint and not a political one, on the new vaccination mandate. The district will not mandate staff vaccinations or restrict individual freedoms. Meetings are scheduled with both union groups to discuss choices, the possibility of testing, and how to keep schools open based on staff vaccination outcomes.

Superintendent Gardner answer a patron's question about track maintenance. He reported there is an established track fund that has approximately \$40,000 from donations that will help fund track maintenance. Any future donation can be designated directly to the District's Track Fund or can be directly funded to the Booster Club. Both entities have a tax identification number and donations are tax deductible.

Assistant Superintendent Pelt thanked all audience participants and to those who provided public comment. She stated that no matter where each person stands on differences, everyone's voice is important; we all want what is best for our students. The Leadership Team's current focus is working toward in-person instruction. The district is working on creative ways on how to utilize outdoor spaces in order to provide

a mask free educational option. Outdoor spaces without masks are needed to allow connections with our students, see their faces and their facial expressions and to help assist in literacy. The district is taking all feedback into consideration when making in-person instruction its first priority. The middle/high school is all mapped out for outdoor learning, except for specific classes where outdoor learning is not an option (example: welding and cooking). The elementary is working on its learning environment option where every family will have input on their child's education. Nothing is being decided without caution, making sure that each location is safe where students are able to learn. She announced; we are all here for our kid's education.

Assistant Superintendent Pelt then informed the Board about upcoming events; the Board Retreat where OSBA will facilitate developing a board working agreement and protocols.

After inquiry, dress code goes back to the building level through student handbook policy. Complaints can be filed with the building principal.

Director Glenn asked for an opposition resolution be drafted on the mask mandate. Being that the item was not already on the August Regular Board Agenda, Assistant Superintendent Pelt stated we can add that agenda item, for action, to be added to the August Work Session, where a Special Meeting can be added.

8.0 ADJOURN

With no further business before the Board, Chairman Tenbusch adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:36 p.m.

Dena Crowell, Board Secretary

Brian Tenbusch, Board Chairman

Date Approved

**Board meeting minutes approved on September 13, 2021.
Original minutes with signatures on file at the District Office.**