

Brookings-Harbor School District 17-C

“Every Student Can Succeed”

Special School Board Meeting Minutes

Kalmiopsis School Library

March 19, 2014 5:00 PM

The purpose of the special meeting is to review board policies currently on hold. There are currently 13 policies left on hold from the policy rewrite process. Changes from work session are noted below and will go to the next board meeting for a first reading.

BDDH, BDDH-AR

Add the petition section to the back of the card-

CBG-AR

Katherine Johnson stated she felt the board did use this form, but was just individualized it by board member. Alice used the criteria, just not the form. Bruce found a format from another district that he liked. Jamie said the form was used in the past and found it to be frustrating because of the way the form was used. Bruce expressed that the board needs to have the vision and direction done early on so that Brian can know what the board is looking for. Sue said OSBA offers a lot of information on evaluating the superintendent. The board will continue to seek other options, so this policy will be left on hold. Katherine said she would be willing to research on other evaluations.

Disclaimer on information being emailed out to the board should be attached. Back and forth comments are not accessible unless it has to do with calendaring a specific date.

DBK, DFEA, DJCA, DJCA-AR

The business manager reviewed the policies and felt the recommendations by OSBA are appropriate. Bruce suggested tightening the stop gap for the RFP process should be lowered to \$100,000. Don added it is not going to tie the districts hands by lowering it to 100,000.

EEACCA-AR, EFA-AR, GBEDA-AR

Bruce had a questioned regarding storage of the videos and the timeline. Brian will talk to Bryan Winchester and find out the answers.

CBJ

Remove this policy

GBN/JBA-AR

In a timely manner

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes

Kalmiopsis School Library

March 19, 2014 6:00 PM

Call to Order: Called to order on March, 19, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. by Jamie Ryan.

Attendance: Board Members
Alice Farmer
Katherine Johnson
Bruce Raleigh
Jamie Ryan
Sue Chambers

District Employees
Brian Hodge
Dede Corpening
Baron Guido
Helena Chirinian
Sheryl Lipski
Krista Connelly

Members of the Public

Tif Hodge
Mona Chandler
Daryn Farmer
Drew Farmer
Abby Farmer
Derick Farmer
Cindy Schofield
Lion's Club
Emblem's Club
Ready to Smile Group
Mr. Chandler

Suzanne Mutch
Buell Gonzales
Pat Berkowitz

Student Representative

Kat Ames

Media Representative

Scott Graves

Pledge of Allegiance: The Flag Salute was recited in unison, led by Brian Hodge.

Consent Agenda: Sue Chambers made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Alice Farmer.

Discussion: Katherine Johnson asked that the piece of her motion be amended regarding the evaluation of the superintendent. She recalls on page 5 that she said she moved to do the evaluation based on qualifications and duties of the superintendent. She would like the minutes amended to reflect that.

Motion Pass Unanimously

Spotlight: Cancelled

Presentation for the Distinguished Service Awards:

Jamie Ryan handed out the distinguished service awards to:
Cindy Schofield, Daryn Farmer, Ready to Smile Program, Lions Club, and the Emblem Club
The board thanked the individuals and the groups for their service to the school district.

Student Representative Report: Kat Ames reported out on the upcoming high school events- talent show is tomorrow night at 7:00, Rachel's Challenge assembly was Monday- the high school enjoyed it. The girls' basketball team made it to state. Spring sports are underway. Robotics trip is coming up. They will be going to Wilsonville. Students had questions for the new prospective high school principal. Prom is in planning for next month and choir went to Humboldt State.

District Reports/Information:

Comments from the Superintendent: Brian Hodge added on to the Rachel's Challenge piece. Larry Martindale said the students were highly engaged the whole time. Brian Hodge said the high school students were also very professional with their questions presented to two of the candidates and how well they did. The district will be offering the position to Lisa Dion, upon the board's approval. There will be an Azalea music concert tomorrow, as well as the talent show at the high school. Data Committee meets tomorrow at 8:30. PD forms have been sent to principals to have staff fill out upon returning from PD training. OSBA will be helping the district out with getting the positive information out to the public. April 8th will be the next board special meeting – trainings will be with Renee Sessler from OSBA 4:00, Peggy Holstedt from OSBA at 5:30.

Katherine Johnson spoke of the CTR bill and the electricity and possible options to lower the costs. Sue Chambers added the district had done some type of study in the past on the electricity usage. Are there grants available? Jamie Ryan stated the board has talked repeatedly about having someone do grant writing for the district.

Building Reports:

Sue Chambers said it is so nice to see the growth at Kalmiopsis. She asked about whether or not the school has the space. Helena Chirinian said they are working on using the space adequately. Katherine Johnson stated that Kalmiopsis is one of the largest elementary schools in the state.

Katherine Johnson commented on Sheryl's interventions and supports class that is being done by Mr. Fulton. Sue Chambers asked how often they meet. Sheryl Lipski said it is a small class of students held during 2nd period. Sue Chambers said she would love to come and see the class in action. Jamie Ryan commented on the students' outlook being changed. Brian Hodge said he talked with Kathleen Dingle and the Beyond BHHS and the students with early graduation. SWOCC will do free tuition for students with a 3.75. Jamie Ryan is grateful for Joe Morin to help guide her son. She also commented on the principal interview process and her daughter's positive experience. Brian Hodge added that there will be ongoing forums at the high school for other topics. Sue Chambers added the OSBA surveys for graduates to find out where they are a year from graduation. Jamie Ryan spoke of the yearbook class and the real world experience they are having with their fundraising. Katherine Johnson is glad the Rachel's Challenge has moved on to the high school. She suggested doing the Rachel's Challenge as a spotlight. Bruce Raleigh commented on a website he stumbled across with a former friend of one of his children. He would like to see if he would be able to come and do a presentation for the district. Sue Chambers asked about the Thirst Project. Larry Martindale responded that the students are the ones who brought it to the school. His understanding is that every cent goes back into well drilling to bring water to these countries. Sue Chambers thanked him for promoting it. Bruce Raleigh commented on the Facebook idea and how nice it would be for notifications of the happenings of the district. Brian Hodge said the key to keeping the information up is to have one person overseeing it. Jamie Ryan added it would be also a nice way to keep up with the past graduates. Katherine Johnson asked about the Masonic Model. Larry Martindale explained that the Masonic Model is about helping kids that are struggling be more successful in school. It is about providing interventions for the students. Katherine Johnson is excited about how the district has been able to utilize the district's school nurse, Alice Sandusky. Alice Farmer complimented both the boys and girls basketball teams. They were not only successful on the court; academically the students of the teams are doing exceptional. Sue Chamber questioned about the students that were excluded from school due to the lack of immunizations. Helena Chirinian responded that it doesn't take long once they are sent home. Most of the students were actually back by the afternoon of the same day.

Board Business:

Board Policies: (second reading)

- 1. JF/JFA-Student Rights and Responsibilities**
- 2. JFC-Student Conduct**
- 3. JFCJ-Weapons in Schools**
- 4. JG-Student Discipline**
- 5. JGAB-Use of Restraint and Seclusion**
- 6. JGAB-AR-Use of Restraint and Seclusion**

Alice Farmer made a motion to approve the policies, seconded by Katherine Johnson.

Discussion: Sue Chambers wanted to comment that the policies are approved by OSBA. The board is not just putting things in and pulling them out. They are being reviewed and have gone through a couple of readings.

Motion Pass Unanimously

School Calendar: First Reading

Brian added that there will be 2 professional days added in the first semester. Jamie Ryan would like the parents to be notified well in advance. Sue Chambers asked if the data committee knew what the topics were going to be. Brian Hodge said the committee is working on scheduling and the district will know by the end of the school the specific dates and the topics. Sue Chambers asked about the Wednesdays. Brian Hodge said the Wednesdays are used for professional development, but the full day trainings would be specific to one subject. Sue Chambers asked what happens on teacher in-service days verses the work days. Brian Hodge responded the work days are specifically for grading. The professional days are important and our district is very light in comparison to other districts. This also includes training for the classified staff. Sue Chambers expressed it as a concern especially at the high school level with students missing seat time. Katherine Johnson stated that the training provides the staff good information to be better professionals and the students will benefit from the training. With the data committee there will be checks and balances on what the district is doing. Bruce Raleigh stated there is a delicate balance of the staff being adequately trained and the students receiving proper seat time.

Approve Extra Duty Contract:

David Schas- Azalea Assistant Track Coach

Alice Farmer made a motion to approve the extra duty contract, seconded by Sue Chambers.

Discussion: None

Motion Pass Unanimously

Approve out of State Travel:

Azalea Middle School San Francisco Music Trip April 30-May 4

Alice Farmer made a motion to approve the out of state request for John Webster, the Azalea Middle School Music Trip, seconded by Bruce Raleigh.

Discussion: Katherine Johnson said she was going to refrain from the vote as she is involved with the trip. Sue Chambers asked where the group stayed. Katherine Johnson gave information about the trip- staying at the Crown Plaza in Milpitas, attending the musical Frankenstein Young Frankenstein, College Music Conservatory, and the Tech Museum. The goal is to give the students more cultural experiences. Katherine Johnson stated that in the past some of the teachers have paid for this trip. Brian Hodge said that he does not recall any teachers paying for the trip. Katherine Johnson said when talking to the business manager, Don Sweeney, it needed to be noted the teacher's costs needed to come from the general fund.

Bruce-Aye Alice-Aye Sue-Aye Katherine-abstain Jamie-Aye

Motion Pass

Community Communication:

Brian Hodge talked about his research with OSBA. They said to focus on 3 things the district is proud of - clear, keep it simple and consistent. Then you rotate it with other items the district is proud of. Katherine Johnson passed out information she had for each of the board members. Her concern is that when the Pilot is printing something that is incorrect it is the boards'

responsibility to respond to it with the correct information. She also added that the community needs to hear that the district is improving in test scores and graduation rates. Katherine Johnson added that she is not talking about opinion, just the facts. Alice Farmer said she did not feel the board should be getting into a back and forth dialogue with the newspaper. She added that the board has spent an average of three hours in each of its board meetings since she has been on the board, not including the hours of research the board members have put in prior to the meeting. Alice Famer said a simple one sentence statement to inaccurate information would be appropriate, but no more. Bruce Raleigh asked how Katherine Johnson proposed the board proceed with that. Scott Graves stated that would be considered a public forum piece. Jamie Ryan said she loved the idea of working with OSBA and doing the public information piece about the positive things happening with the school on their own. She feels the district should take a proactive approach, rather than a reactive approach. Katherine Johnson suggested the board have a Facebook page and a Twitter account in addition to the school district having one. She also feels the board should still respond to the article. Jamie Ryan said in her opinion the best way to respond to the article is to be a functional board and be productive and accomplish things. She added that this has been a great board meeting with some very good conversations. Scott Graves spoke out and said to get the information to the Pilot, so they have the opportunity to cover the story. Alice Farmer said she feels it is important to get the correct information out. Brian Hodge added that our kids deserve to be recognized for the positive things they are doing. Katherine Johnson would still like to write something with the accurate information to the Pilot. Bruce Raleigh thinks it is an extreme reaction. Sue Chambers said it is hard to argue with opinions. Alice Farmer said she is open for Katherine Johnson to write something up for the board to review if it is addressing inaccurate information. Katherine Johnson asked about creating a Facebook page for the school board. Jamie Ryan said to start with the district Facebook and then they will talk with OSBA about the latter.

Year End Survey:

Alice Farmer commented she did not want to survey the staff again. Katherine Johnson said she left a message with Steve Lamb asking about a year end survey. Bruce Raleigh and Jamie Ryan feel the students and community are fine but the staff is surveyed out. Brian Hodge added that the district knows what it needs: climate change and motivating staff. As an exit survey the district can simply ask the staff how we can serve you better. The district needs a vision. Katherine Johnson said that may be the same question to ask the parents and the students. Katherine Johnson would like the board to do a self evaluation.

Citizen Input(non agenda items):

Mona Chandler commented on the ODE Investigation and what she viewed at the state championship. She found an ODE person to be laughing and giggling with one of the parties that are involved with the complaint. She then added to speak on Angie Kay's behalf about the behavior of one of the individuals involved in the investigation. She said she wants to see the investigation come to an end.

Comments/Communication:

Katherine Johnson asked if there is a process for removing parents from a game. Buell Gonzales replied that the rules are enforced, but in this instance he was not told about the incident until after the fact. Katherine Johnson commented on Ms Arnold and Nancy Chew being invited to attend different programs to improve geography instruction. It is funded by a grant. Bruce Raleigh echoed that the district does have some outstanding teachers and wants to make sure they know they are heard. Katherine Johnson commented that the students that attended the 7th grade trip are not only experiencing different cultures, they are learning life skills. She stated that the students were phenomenal.

Adjourn to break at 7:40 pm

Meeting moved into executive session at 7:45 pm in accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(d) To consider the dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member, or agent, unless he or she or the agent requests an open meeting.

Meeting came out of executive session and back into open session at 8:55 pm.

Comments and Communication:

Jamie Ryan commented that the board agreed for her to write a response to the Peters complaint.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.