Odessa School District #105 Odessa, Washington

Minutes Regular Board Meeting November 23, 2021

BOARD WORKSHOP

The board held a workshop in the district office at 5:30 p.m. The board held discussions regarding the Superintendent search and staffing considerations.

OPEN MEETING

The Board of Directors of Odessa School District #105 met in the library and the meeting was available via ZOOM on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at 6:00 pm. This meeting was publicized by posted notice and notices presented to administration, union presidents, board members and the newspaper.

PRESENT

Ed Deife; Janie Steward; Heather Valverde; Chris Crossley; Dan Read, Superintendent; Jamie Nelson, Principal; Staci Claassen, Assistant Business Manager; Justin Parr, Operations Supervisor; and Bruce Todd, Athletic Director. Board member Carmen Weishaar was absent.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Chairman Deife.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Action: Heather Valverde moved and Janie Steward seconded a motion to add New Business Item I.1. Assistant Cook – Chelsea Watson and New Business Item I.2. Custodial/Maintenance – Mark Sebesta. Motion carried. 4–0

STAFF/PUBLIC INPUT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved the consent agenda which included: **Minutes:** October 27, 2021 regular board meeting

Bills & Payroll: Payroll warrant Void/Reissue #614118, \$33.53;

Payroll warrants #614119-614136 and

Direct deposit warrants #900008674-900008739, \$314,103.91; General Fund A/P warrants #614137-614174, \$37,998.57; ASB Fund A/P warrants #614175-614186, \$9,157.78.

Action: Chris Crossley moved and Heather Valverde seconded a motion to approve all items on the consent agenda. Motion carried, 4-0

REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Read shared the latest student count of 217.88 FTE. He followed by sharing the Lincoln County COVID case information and that Odessa School District does not have any current cases or quarantines. He continued by discussing the WASA and WSSDA legislative priorities. Read finished by informing the school board that no one responded to the advertisements for the For/Against Committee for the upcoming levies.

Principal's Report

Principal Nelson reported parent/student/teacher conferences were held at the beginning of November and attendance was excellent.

An all school assembly was held in honor of our country's Veterans, with tributes given by each class. Due to Covid concerns, Veterans were not present at this year's assembly.

FFA put on their annual Halloween Carnival. Kaedin Schorzman, Nathan Melcher, and Holden Iverson placed 4^{th} in the State FFA Tractor Driving Competition. Nathan Melcher place 6^{th} in the Individual Tractor Driving Competition.

National Honor Society held their annual induction ceremony on November 5th. Thanksgiving baskets were assembled and delivered last week.

Nelson reported the music and band classes will perform at Christmas Fest on December 1st, and the annual school Christmas concert will be on December 15 at 6:00 pm.

Pep Club is sponsoring the annual door decorating event for 6^{th} - 12^{th} grade on December 6^{th} . Christmas parties will be held for all grades on December 17^{th} .

Board Report

Heather Valverde thanked Jamie Nelson and HaLee Walter for their quick responses to an incident in the Ag shop which required medical attention.

AD Report

Bruce Todd congratulated the volleyball team on becoming the Southern Division Champs, District Champs, and placing 4th at the State Volleyball Competition. Todd also congratulated the high school football team on winning the Quarterfinal game against Liberty Bell. The football team will take on Quilcene this Saturday, November 27th at 4:00 pm at Lions Field in Moses Lake.

Todd reported the high school girls basketball team has begun practicing. A parent meeting for the high school boys basketball team was held to discuss finding a coach. With board approval, HP Carstensen will be the head high school boys basketball coach and Matt Gorman will be the assistant coach. Todd also reported the junior high girls basketball team has been practicing and played their first 2 games. Todd discussed official shortage concerns for the basketball season. Non-vaccinated basketball athletes will be tested twice a week for Covid through the season.

Legislative Report

None

Facilities Report

Justin Parr reported he is continuing to work with Control Solutions Northwest to resolve issues with the new heating control system and a closing meeting for the project will be scheduled soon.

Parr reported transportation scheduling has been going well and Steve Matthews has been helping part time with grounds projects. Mark Sebesta will fill the custodial/maintenance position pending board approval.

Financial Report

Superintendent Read presented the ASB balance sheet for October. He further presented the Financial Activity reports for General Fund for October showing an unassigned fund balance of \$882,976. He presented computer printouts for all funds.

Date of Next Regular Meeting

The next regular board meeting will be held Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library. The board scheduled a workshop at 5:30 p.m. before the regular meeting.

Action: Heather Valverde moved and Janie Steward seconded a motion to schedule the next regular board meeting on Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the library, preceded by a board workshop at 5:30 p.m.

Motion carried, 4-0

Resolution #1-2021-22 Educational Programs & Operation Levy

Action: Chris Crossley moved and Janie Steward seconded a motion to approve Resolution #1-2021-22 presented by Superintendent Read;

"Whereas, the funds available for Odessa School District #105-157-166J through presently scheduled programs are insufficient to meet the needs of the district, and - - - - Now, therefore, be it here by resolved - - - that a special levy be held in the aforesaid district on the 8th day of February, 2022, - - - - - - Which shall be submitted to the electors of said district for their approval or rejection in the form of the following ballot title: "Shall a replacement excess levy of \$550,000 be collected in the year 2023, requiring approximately \$1.88 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation - - to be placed in the General Fund and used for Educational Programs and Operation" - - - - The aforesaid resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the aforesaid district on the 23th day of November, 2021—" Motion carried. 4 – 0

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #2-2021-22 Capital Levy for School Improvement

Action: Janie Steward moved and Chris Crossley seconded a motion to approve Resolution #1-2021-22 presented by Superintendent Read;

"Whereas, the funds available for Odessa School District #105-157-166J through presently scheduled programs are insufficient to meet the needs of the district, and ---- Now, therefore, be it here by resolved --- that a special levy be held in the aforesaid district on the 8th day of February, 2022, ----- Which shall be submitted to the electors of said district for their approval or rejection in the form of the following ballot title: "be authorized to levy a one-year replacement tax levy be collected in the year 2023, the sum of \$100,000, requiring approximately \$0.34 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation --- to be placed in the Capital Projects Fund to be used to support the modernization of school facilities --- of Odessa School District #105, Lincoln County, joint with #157, Adams County and #166J Grant County?" -- The aforesaid resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the aforesaid district on the 23th day of November, 2021 -"

Motion carried. 4-0

Head HS Boys Basketball Coach - HP Carstensen

Action: Heather Valverde moved and Janie Steward seconded a motion to approve HP Carstensen as the Head HS Boys Basketball Coach as recommended by Athletic Director Bruce Todd.

Motion carried. 4-0

Assistant HS Boys Basketball Coach - Matt Gorman

Action: Chris Crossley moved and Janie Steward seconded a motion to approve Matt Gorman as the Assistant HS Boys Basketball Coach as recommended by Athletic Director Bruce Todd.

Motion carried. 4-0

Head JH Girls Basketball Coach - Alexandra Stanford

Action: Janie Steward moved and Chris Crossley seconded a motion to approve Alexandra Stanford as Head JH Girls Basketball Coach as recommended by Athletic Director Bruce Todd.

Motion carried. 4-0

Booster Club Donation - Game Ready Ice Machine

Action: Janie Steward moved and Chris Crossley seconded a motion to approve the game ready ice machine donation from the Booster Club as recommended by Superintendent Read.

Motion carried. 4-0

Test to Stay Protocol

Action: Janie Steward moved and Chris Crossley seconded a motion to approve the Test to Stay Protocol recommended by Superintendent Read.

Motion carried. 4-0

Assistant Cook - Chelsea Watson

Action: Heather Valverde moved and Janie Steward seconded a motion to hire Chelsea Watson as Assistant Cook as recommended by Superintendent Read.

Motion carried, 4-0

Custodial/Maintenance - Mark Sebesta

Action: Chris Crossley moved and Janie Steward seconded a motion to hire Mark Sebesta for the Custodial/Maintenance position as recommended by Superintendent Read.

Motion carried. 4-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Deife adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Ed Deife Chairman

Heather Valverde, Vice Chairman

Janie Steward

Dan Read, Superintendent

Christine Crossley

Carmen Weishaar