Odessa School District #105 Odessa, Washington

Minutes Regular Board Meeting December 14, 2022

OPEN MEETING

The Board of Directors of Odessa School District #105 met in the library on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at 5:00 pm. This meeting was publicized by posted notice and notices presented to administration, union presidents, board members and the newspaper.

PRESENT

Ed Deife; Heather Valverde; Janie Steward; Chris Crossley; Carmen Weishaar; John Bruce, Superintendent; Jamie Nelson, Principal; Staci Claassen, Business Manager; Justin Parr, Operations Supervisor; and Larry Weber, Athletic Director. Also present were Lindsy Starkel, Vonn Nelson, and Dawn Nelson.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Chairman Deife.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Action: Carmen Weishaar moved and Janie Steward seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried. 5 – 0

STAFF/PUBLIC INPUT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved the consent agenda which included: Minutes: November 22, 2022 regular board meeting Bills & Payroll: General Fund A/P warrant #615042, \$2,498.09; Payroll warrants #615043-615062 and Direct deposit warrants #900009455-900009514, \$320,536.53; General Fund A/P warrants #615063-615098, \$92,827.56; ASB Fund A/P warrants #615099-615106, \$3,918.64; PPTV warrant #615107, \$500.00; TVF warrant #615108, \$110,063.35; General Fund Comp Tax Wire Transfer, \$977.40.

Personal Resignations:

Josh Clark - HS Assistant Football Coach

Action: Janie Steward moved and Chris Crossley seconded a motion to approve all items on the consent agenda. Motion carried. 5-0

REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Bruce reported ten students will participate in highly capable testing on January 20th. Bruce discussed challenges concerning filling open teaching positions and is seeking guidance from OSPI. Superintendent Bruce further reported all documents have been turned into the elections office for the upcoming levy.

Principal's Report

Principal Nelson reported a head count of 220 students.

Nelson shared several clubs and classes setup fundraising booths at the annual community Christmas Fest, and the elementary students sang carols directed by Mrs. Leitz. Nelson shared the annual Christmas concert will be tonight at 6 pm. with the elementary and junior high performing.

Principal Nelson and Mrs. Ryan attended a Level 2 Threat Assessment Training which reinforced the importance of keeping our assessment system in place and updating our school safety plan and procedures. Nelson and Ryan continue to evaluate ways to improve our high school credit retrieval program and hope to put a plan in action soon. Our math teachers are teaming together with ESD101 to improve math scores.

Board Report

Janie Steward expressed appreciation for Mrs. Leitz and the elementary music students who performed at Christmas Fest. The board thanked Josh Clark for his years of service as the assistant football coach and for the impact he made on the lives of many Odessa football players.

AD Report

Athletic Director Larry Weber reported the high school football team placed 3rd in state. Josh Clark has resigned as the high school assistant football coach, and helmet reconditioning is scheduled for January 10th. Weber reported the high school volleyball team placed 4th in districts and 6th in state. Evaluations for all fall coaches are complete.

Weber reported winter sports have started. The high school boys basketball team have 23 participants and the girls have 16 participants. The amount of junior varsity games is limited and Weber is working to increase the amount of games on the schedule. Weber also shared the Little Dribblers basketball teams will be scrimmaging during half time of the home high school games.

The junior high girls basketball season is complete, with 16 girls participating this year. The coaches are looking into summer camps for the girls to attend. The junior high boys basketball team have 15 participants and their season will begin after the new year.

Weber thanked the Odessa Athletic Booster Club for purchasing a TV to play the broadcasted game in the concessions area, and Justin Parr for replacing the camera at the football field.

Legislative Report

Superintendent Bruce reported there is a fair amount of stability regarding changes in committee leadership. Legislative discussions include support for inflation, and additional funding for special education and transportation.

Facilities Report

Justin Parr reported bus routes and sports trips have continued despite weather related challenges. Kysar Mechanical is evaluating and creating a plan to solve the pipe leak in the elementary wing.

Financial Report

Superintendent Bruce presented the ASB balance sheet for November. He further presented the Financial Activity reports for General Fund for November showing an unassigned fund balance of \$822,047.30. He presented computer printouts for all funds.

Date of Special Board Meeting and Next Regular Meeting

The board scheduled a special board meeting on January 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library. The next regular board meeting will be held Wednesday, January 25, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library. The board scheduled a workshop at 5:15 p.m. before the regular meeting.

Action: Heather Valverde moved and Chris Crossley seconded a motion to schedule a special board meeting on January 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the library to discuss a parent complaint and the next regular board meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library, preceded by a board workshop at 5:15 p.m.

Motion carried, 5-0

Policy/Procedure #2165 - Home or Hospital Instruction - 1st and 2nd Reading

Action: Chris Crossley moved and Janie Steward seconded a motion to approve the first and second reading of policy and procedure #2165 Home or Hospital Instruction as recommended by Superintendent Bruce.

Motion carried. 5 – 0

NEW BUSINESS

Braune Family Foundation Donation

Action: Chris Crossley moved and Janie Steward seconded a motion to accept a \$3,000 donation from the Edmund & Dalene Braune Family Foundation.

Motion carried. 5-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Deife announced the board would go into a ten-minute executive session at 5:47 to discuss complaints against an employee.

Vonn Nelson - Release of Employment

Action: Chris Crossley moved and Heather Valverde seconded a motion to approve the release of employment of Vonn Nelson as recommended by Superintendent Bruce.

Motion carried. 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Deife adjourned the meeting at 5:57 pm.

Ed Deife Chairman

Heather Valverde Vice Chairman

Janie Steward

John Bruce, Superintendent

Christine Crossley

Carmen Weishaar