

Onion Creek School District #30
School Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 22, 2021, 5:00 p.m.

Following Open Public Meetings guidance during the COVID-19 Stay Home, Stay Healthy Proclamation, the meeting was held via Zoom.

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** The regular board meeting was called to order at 5:03 pm. School Board Members present were: Elissa Dyson, Andy James, Joel Anderson, and Melody Bowlby, (a quorum). Lukas Miller was excused. Staff members present were: Bill Glidewell, Kristina Allen, Alyson Clendenen, Dani Arnold, Liz Wolf, and Shannon Kearney. Guests present were John Rumelhart and Leslie Atkins.

A. WELCOME

- II. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS:** None at this time.

A. PUBLIC COMMENT: Elissa Dyson was recognized by WSSDA for 35 years of service as a board member at Onion Creek School. The staff, students, and community greatly appreciate her ongoing commitment.

- III. CONSENT AGENDA:** Reading of the regular school board minutes and review of payroll/vouchers: Joel Anderson moved to approve both the minutes from the previous meeting and payroll/vouchers, Melody Bowlby seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. 4/0

IV. REPORTS

A. BUDGET STATUS REPORT: The budget status report and cash flow documents were reviewed with John Rumelhart, business manager.

B. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION-PUBLIC AND VOLUNTEER:

- a. Thank you to Joel and Karen Anderson for the continued donation of coffee for the staff, Liam Clendenen for taking school pictures, Linda Keller for the hand painted rocks for students, Linsey Lamb for crafting materials, Holly Wolfum, Kalani Chow, and Emily Bowlby for tutoring students.

C. ENROLLMENT REPORT: 41 FTE

D. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:

- a. In Person Learning: After discussion with staff and board, K-5 will be attending Friday half days beginning March 12, 2021. Grades 6-8 will continue with remote learning on Fridays.

- b. Tri County Health Department Report: At the latest Superintendents Meeting, TCHD reported cases have fallen considerably. This provides encouragement for schools to increase in-person learning and optimism that all schools will be in-person, 5 days a week, by fall.
- c. Small Schools Conference: The WASA Small Schools Conference is March 22-23, 2021 and will be held virtually. Andy James stated he is unable to attend, Melody Bowlby and Elissa Dyson expressed interest in attending. Remaining board members will let Bill Glidewell know on their intentions.
- d. ESSER II Funds: Discussion was held on possible utilization of ESSER II funds for para support, summer program, HVAC, and technology for students.
- e. Math Curriculum Update: Bill and Kristina will be meeting with Deb Kowalkowski, from the ESD, to discuss recommended math curricula for Onion Creek. Kristina has acquired samples from a possible curriculum and another will be arriving soon.
- f. Phase II: We have moved into Phase II and can meet as a board in person (no more than 200 people or 25% capacity). The board discussed that they would continue with zoom virtual meetings at this time.
- g. OPMA: The Open Public Meetings Act was created for members of city councils, boards of community commissioners, and other public agency boards, councils, and commissioners subject to OPMA. All members of Onion Creek will be completing the online training.

V. BOARD REPORTS:

A. Elissa Dyson, board chair, expressed her appreciation to the students at Onion Creek for the thoughtful letters and cards to the board. Elissa also provided information on the Superintendent/Principal search listing will be posted through the ESD soon.

B. Andy James, legislative representative, reported on a review of current legislative bills and correspondence with legislators.

C. Elissa Dyson reported for absent Lukas Miller, facilities/transportation representative, that bus 6 is having some maintenance issues and the 1981 heat pump (compressor) is not doing well. Elissa also stated that Hugh has completed his water certification training.

D. Melody Bowlby, community representative, inquired about the possibility of an eighth grade trip and Art Tech Club.

E. Joel Anderson, curriculum/technology representative, reported technology is running smooth. The yearly technology report is due soon and Onion Creek may have some possible surplus items.

VI. ACTION ITEMS:

A. POLICY UPDATES SECOND READING 2190, 2190P, 3115, 4218, 4218P: Andy James made the motion to accept the second reading and adoption of policy updates 2190,

2190P, 3115, 4218, 4218P, Melody Bowlby seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. 4/0

B. POLICY UPDATES FIRST READING 1400, 1400P: The board reviewed Policy and procedure 1400 and is prepared for the second reading at the March board meeting.

C. HIGHLY CAPABLE PROGRAM GUIDE: The Highly Capable Program Guide was reviewed by the board. Joel Anderson made the motion to accept the Onion Creek School District Highly Capable Program Guide as presented, Andy James seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. 4/0

D. PARAPROFESSIONAL POSITION: Melody Bowlby made the motion to advertise for and hire for a 6 hour per day paraprofessional for Onion Creek School, Andy James seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. 4/0

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE SCHOOL: All present agreed they were excited to move to 5 days a week for the K-5 students.

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Melody Bowlby made a motion to adjourn the Onion Creek February 2021 School Board Meeting at 6:52p.m., Joel Anderson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. 4/0

Elissa Dyson, Board Chair