

# **OSKALOOSA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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The Board of Directors of the Oskaloosa Community School District met in regular session at 6:00PM on Tuesday, August 14, 2018, in the Administration Board Room, 1800 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Oskaloosa, Iowa.

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Present were Board members Shelly Herr, Sharma Parlett, Carl Drost, Erik Edgren, Amanda McGraw, and Kraig Van Hulzen. Member Lynette Stream was absent.

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Also present were Superintendent Mrs. Paula Wright, Stephanie Wilson, Bill Almond, Marlene Etter, Stacy Bandy, Teresa Higgins, Andy Hoteck, Ginger Allsup, Mike Dursky, Joe Lancello, Mark Scholes, Amy Bidwell, Angie Holland, Tim Veiseth, Shari Barnhart, and Chad Vink.

### **AGENDA**

President Herr called the meeting to order. Drost moved to approve the Agenda. Parlett seconded and all voted in favor.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT AND VISITORS**

None.

### **BOARD REPORTS**

Herr commented that she attended the Fiscal Management Conference and found it to be very beneficial. Drost echoed those comments by noting that Dave Roederer's presentation was very valuable, and cited the cybersecurity session to be immediately applicable to the District.

Parlett conveyed that she appreciated the personnel that conducted Registration and thought it went well.

### **BUILDING REPORTS**

Nothing in addition to the written report.

### **CURRICULUM DIRECTOR REPORT**

Herr inquired on adaptive math and reading, and McGraw asked about responses by parents when asked why they have chosen to open enroll out of Oskaloosa.

### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Mrs. Wright noted that she will be attending the Employee Relations Conference on October 18 and invited Board members to attend as well. She also conveyed that she

had begun Facebook posts with District staff members and will continue to do so. The Board thanked Mrs. Wright for her report.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES, FINANCIALS, AND ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS**

After queries regarding the science curriculum, carpet expenditures, softball project budget, open enrollment out, and student activity workers, Van Hulzen moved to approve the Minutes, Financials, and Abstract of Claims as presented. Drost seconded and all voted in favor.

### **PERSONNEL**

Mrs. Wright presented the Board with two appointments.

Drost moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation of the appointment of Amy Bidwell as full-time Director of Student Services starting with the 2018-2019 contract year at a salary of \$80,000. Parlett seconded and all voted in favor.

Parlett moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation of the appointment of Eric Coop as part-time High School Language Arts Teacher starting with the 2018-2019 contract year at the BA Step 1 salary level. McGraw seconded and all voted in favor.

### **CONSIDER BIDS FOR REPLACEMENT OF PLTW COMPUTERS**

Mrs. Wright and Shari Barnhart, Technology Director, presented the bids received for the purchase of new computers for the Project Lead The Way labs, including information on the RFP, life expectancy, and use of the retiring computers.

Van Hulzen moved to accept two proposals for the purchase of technology for Project Lead the Way programs and award the contract to SHI, Inc. for 55 Dell Computers at a cost of \$73,810.00. Edgren seconded and all voted in favor.

### **CONSIDER FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICIES**

Mrs. Wright said that the ad-hoc Information Privacy Fact-finding Committee had completed its work and was bringing the proposed revised policies for approval. Herr noted the changes on each one, and discussion ensued on training, authorizations, protected personal information, legal reviews, First Amendment rights, and student photo use.

Parlett moved to approve, for the first reading, revised Board Policies 401.13 Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Social Networking Policy, 506.1 Student Records Access, 506.2 Student Directory Information, 506.3 Student Photographs, 506.4 Student Library Circulation Records, 401.13 Guidelines for Social Media Networks, 401.13R1 Staff Technology Use Regulation, and 605.6 Internet Appropriate Use as presented. Drost seconded and all voted in favor except Edgren, who voted against.

### **CONSIDER HOME SCHOOL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Mrs. Wright stated that she performed a review of the Home School Assistance Program and conveyed the results and her recommendations regarding the budget, funding, staffing, waiver, and materials. Board members queried about particular budget items

and whether the per-student allocations were equitable to what in-district students receive.

Van Hulzen moved to approve the waiver letter, budget, and Home School Assistance Program for the 2018-2019 school year as presented. Drost seconded and all voted in favor.

#### **CONSIDER BOARD APPOINTMENTS TO FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Wright requested that the Board establish a standing Facilities Planning Committee and that up to three Board members be appointed to that committee.

Parlett moved to appoint Eric Edgren, Carl Drost, and Kraig Van Hulzen to serve on the District Facilities Planning Committee for 2018-2019. McGraw seconded and all voted in favor.

#### **CONSIDER BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A SKID LOADER**

Mrs. Wright and Bill Almond, Operations Director, provided the Board with information and bids for the purchase of a new skid loader. Questions arose regarding the process for accepting a bid that was not the lowest, so it was agreed by consensus to wait on the purchase until clarity was developed in the District purchasing policy.

#### **APPROVE LEVEL I & II INVESTIGATORS FOR THE DISTRICT**

Mrs. Wright cited that the Level I and Level II investigators for the District must be identified annually. She then presented her recommendations for those positions. Board members asked about relationships affecting the objectivity of investigators.

Van Hulzen moved to appoint Stacy Bandy, Chuck Banks, Tim Veiseth, Teresa Higgins, Mike Dursky, Andy Hoteck, and Mark Scholes as Level I investigators and the Oskaloosa Police Department and the Mahaska County Sheriff's Department as the identified Level II investigators as provided in Board Policy 402.3. Drost seconded and all voted in favor.

#### **APPROVAL OF LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR RAY & ASSOCIATES**

Herr introduced a draft recommendation letter for Ray & Associates and accepted revisions from the other Board members.

Van Hulzen moved to approve the Letter of Recommendation for Ray & Associates as presented and revised. Parlett seconded and all voted in favor.

#### **REVIEW SUBSEQUENT MEETING DATE**

It was agreed to next meet on Tuesday, August 28, at 6PM for a worksession with staff from IASB regarding Board relations and Board goals.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

President Herr adjourned the meeting at 7:33PM.

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Chad M. Vink, Board Secretary