

MINUTES

OF THE

SCHOOL BOARD OF DISTRICT NO. 40, YAMHILL COUNTY McMINNVILLE, OREGON

The Board of Directors of the McMinnville School District met in a **Board Business Meeting** on October 26, 2020 in the School District Office virtually via zoom. Chairperson Larry Vollmer called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Roll call indicated the following:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Larry Vollmer
Dr. Paul Haddeland
Mrs. Yanira Vera
Mrs. Barbara Carter
Ms. Janis Braich
Mr. Carson Benner
Mr. Gerardo Partido

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATION:

Dr. Maryalice Russell, Superintendent
Melanie Martinoff, Admin Asst.

AUDIENCE: Steffanie Frost, Susan Escure, Kourtney Ferrua, Veronica Chase, David Bousquet, Dr. Amy Fast, Dan Sheppard, Kevin Carroll

The business meeting was called to order.

Larry Vollmer read the oath of office to Yanira Vera. She took the oath of office for the open position on the board of education. "I, Yanira Vera, being duly sworn in, will support the constitution and the laws of the United States and the State of Oregon and will discharge the duties of the school district to the best of my ability, so help me god."

Larry Vollmer ended the business meeting at 7:32. The work session began at 7:33.

Veronica Chase, Vice-Principal at McMinnville High School and Ryan McIrvin, Athletic Director spoke about limited in person instruction. Limited In Person Instruction (LIPI) has strict guidelines associated with it in regards to COVID19 measures. LIPI should assist individuals who need extra assistance or who have career education classes. 45 students will attend beginning November 2 for the first date of LIPI at McMinnville High School. The first groups starting back are the pro-start culinary, fabrication, aerospace and robotics groups. Staff send in a request to bring in specific students and if approved, proceed following ODE/OHA guidelines. The high school can have a maximum of 250 students. Staff are excited to have the students back in person. Most of the classes are in the CTE building. There are requests for in person learning from staff for students who have connectivity issues, English learners and Drama. The requests are pending approval.

Dan Sheppard said that the RISE program started LIPI for 6 students this week. Students needed the extra help for a variety of reasons: WIFI issues, students needs and students who just aren't coping well with distance learning. There is transportation for those who qualify. Memorial had 5 students as well. Students can come in for a maximum of two hours a day. The current schedule is 8:00-10:00, two days a week. There are two cohorts. Each student has a sneeze guard, face coverings and their own materials.

Ryan McIrvin spoke about the summer activities which included workouts which then resumed after school started too. ODE AND OSAA allow within the guidance for fitness activities and this has been taking place after school. Band and choir started up with social distancing between members. The school has gone above and beyond with safety precautions.

Dr. Russell said that there should be new metrics coming from ODE and the state. CDL could extend through the end of the first semester for 4th through 12th. There may be a survey to parents of PreK-K-1-2-3 and it is possible that they may come back before the end of the first semester. MWOE is an online program which operated in past years for 9th through 12th grades. There is now the beginning of development of a K-8th program so if students prefer online that is an option the District is exploring to be prepared to provide if needed.

Kourtney Ferrua gave an update on the ODE school report cards. The ADM count is a daily attendance count. After the emergency closure in March, testing stopped and so did the attendance data collection for the rest of that school year. This year the report for MHS can show graduation and the five year completion rate for the class of 2018.

Dr. Amy Fast has been meeting with other high school principals and they have been speaking about limited in person instruction. The McMinnville school district is the first high school to start up their career technical classes.

Subcommittee Reports:

The board gave their subcommittee reports for facilities, long range, policy and instructional topics.

Carson spoke about the policy subcommittee which went over policies with topics including suicide prevention, part time students, and an anti racism policy. Janis said there is a lot of material in the anti-racism policy and all board members should look at it carefully.

In the facilities subcommittee meeting, they discussed the new carpet cleaning machine. They went over the ultra violet light technology that can be used to sanitize classrooms and other school areas.

Dr. Haddeland discussed fiscal policy. Enrollment is down 3.6%. ODE thought the McMinnville School District SIA application was excellent. McMinnville School District will receive \$1.7 million.

Instructional Improvement subcommittee - Gerardo reviewed the latest parent survey and limited in person instruction. They also discussed the equity teams and learning.

Directors Comments:

Dr. Haddeland said how much he appreciates Dr. Russell.

Gerardo welcomed Yanira to the Board of Education.

Carson said he is very happy to have Yanira Vera on the board.

Janis said she completely supports Dr. Russell. She wanted to give a shout out to nutrition services. They are great with the kids when handing out meals.

Barbara welcomed Yanira to the board. She thanked Maryalice for her great work on behalf of students as well as the administrators who work to make this school district so good.

Yanira said she enjoyed her first subcommittee meeting.

Larry welcomed Yanira and asked her to feel free to ask lots of questions and the board is ready to answer her.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.