



Butte Falls School District #91

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OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MONDAY FEBRUARY 13, 2023

- DATE/TIME/PLACE:** A meeting of the School Board of Butte Falls School District 91 was held on Monday February 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the District Office 720 Laurel Ave., Butte Falls, Oregon. The meeting provided virtual access to the public, via Zoom & YouTube.
- CALL TO ORDER:** Board Chair Katie Misfeldt called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
- ROLL CALL:** Present: Katie Misfeldt (Zoom), Dan Murphy, Aaron Worman, Mark Carlton, Bonnie Freeman (Zoom arrived 6:04 pm)
- ADMINISTRATION:** Dr. Phil Long
Karina Ferre
- SECRETARY:** Julie Freeman
- TECHNOLOGY:** Catherine Cogdill
- PUBLIC:** Ben DeCarlow (Zoom)
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mrs. Misfeldt led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- APPROVE AGENDA:** Mr. Carlton made a motion to approve the agenda as amended with the addition of 5.4 - Board Policy Review Section J-Students - First Reading & 5.5 - Opening Gym & Playground. Mr. Murphy seconded. 4 aye votes, 0 opposed.
- CONSENT AGENDA/
MINUTES:** Mr. Worman made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of January 9, 2023. Mr. Murphy seconded. 5 aye votes, 0 opposed.
- NATURAL RESOURCE CENTER:** Mr. DeCarlow presented a flyer and an update on the recent activities at the NRC. He shared information and photos of the community workday was held at the NRC on February 4th. The workday involved projects such a building a fence around the food forest, removing unneeded items and cleaning up the frontage road area.
- Mr. DeCarlow also shared that the Grey Family Foundation officials visited the NRC on February 7th and were please with progress at the NRC. Mr. DeCarlow shared that the foundation has given \$22,500 since September of 2021 towards curriculum development at the NRC. He stated that the foundation wants to continue to partner with the district and they are going to set up a meeting to discuss several statewide initiatives towards outdoor school collaboration. Mr. DeCarlow shared that

he would be submitting a grant application to provide financial support to host several weeks of a summer camp.

Mr. DeCarlow also shared that he has developed a new master list of projects and activities at the NRC with the help of students in the Master Plan elective class.

**SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT/UPDATES:**

Dr. Long reported that enrollment was at 190 students as of January 31, 2023.

Dr. Long shared that the high school will have its first dance on Thursday February 16 and that he would be chaperoning the dance. He stated that the 8th grade class would also be able to attend.

Dr. Long shared that the high school students were involved in a project refurbishing picnic tables belonging to the Forest Service. He stated that it was a great experience for students and that once the tables were rebuilt; they would be put back into the parks.

Dr. Long reported that the senior class now had the opportunity to attend finance and banking classes, spend time on community service projects and that some seniors are working with local businesses during the school hours. He also shared that they had received funding through Project Youth+ and Mr. Mathas would be leading a class of students to work on the public restrooms at the NRC. Dr. Long also shared that the Culinary Arts teacher helped students get food handler cards.

Dr. Long stated that a committee would be reviewing samples of new math curriculum for the new math adoption, and that he would be presenting a recommendation to the board, along with a grade 9-12 language arts adoption.

Dr. Long shared that the staffing continues to be tightly staffed and lacking substitutes.

**BUTTE FALLS
CHARTER SCHOOL
REPORT/UPDATES:**

Charter School Updates: Mrs. Ferre reported that the elementary school now had full implementation of a counselor from Rogue Health. She reported along with this service, they are receiving additional counseling from S.O.E.S.D. and a part time intervention specialist.

Mrs. Ferre also reported that the middle school classes are involved in some of the NRC activities and visiting the county library. She shared that grades K-5 would be having Valentine's party.

Mrs. Ferre reported that the P.I.G. (Parent Involvement Group) had met recently and that there was a good turn out with numerous ideas on how to move forward with planning for events. She also shared that she has had a number of parents asking to volunteer and have fulfilled the application process and requirements for volunteering.

Mrs. Ferre also shared that she has created a relaxing space for teachers to diminish stress in the Refocus room. She stated that along with a relaxing area, teachers could enjoy a massage chair that was on lend to the school.

**REVIEW OF
PAYMENTS:**

Review of Payments: Mr. Cook & Mrs. Aiken were unable to attend the meeting. Board members reviewed the expenditure report and asked for clarification on various expenditures. Dr. Long and Mrs. Freeman provided answers.

FINANCIAL
SUMMARY:

Financial Summary: Board members were provided the current financial reports in their board packets.

ESSA/SITE COUNCIL
PARENT
INVOLVEMENT:

ESSA/Site Council/Parent Involvement: Mrs. Freeman shared that the Title IIA and IVA carryover budgets had been approved. Mrs. Freeman also reminded board members that they would be receiving an invitation via their school email to create an account in the Oregon Government Ethic Commission website. She stated that once the account was created they would then need to fill out the information required from the Ethic Commission. She stated that the window for this was between March 15th and April 15th.

Mrs. Misfeldt shared the parent involvement group, (P.I.G.) would be hosting a Living Museum/Art show at the elementary school on April 26th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Mrs. Ferre shared that volunteers would help get students and the facility ready for the event. Mrs. Misfeldt shared that the group came up with a number of items and events for next school year that would be included in next year's planning calendar. One of the ideas she shared was a parent education night that would provide food, childcare, and provide Positive Discipline parenting information.

BUTTE FALLS
COMMUNITY
PARTNERSHIP:

Butte Falls Community Partnership: Mr. Murphy stated that The Landing was focusing on fundraising projects for preschool and that the food pantry's reorganization was nearing completion.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

Mrs. Bonnie Freeman lost connectivity at 6:47 p.m. Mrs. Freeman reentered meeting at 6:59 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

Community Listening Session: Dr. Long stated that a Community Listening Session would be held on Tuesday February 21st at 6:00 p.m. in the elementary cafeteria. He stated that it would be a similar to last year's listening session. He stated that this was a bigger effort to hear from stakeholders on current items.

Mr. Worman asked if the new federal laws concerning Covid carried over to the state level. Dr. Long stated that the state had regulations concerning vaccinations and would not change with the upcoming federal changes.

Mr. Carlton made a motion to give Dr. Long permission to communicate in writing, to legislators, the concern about the specific regulation concerning Covid vaccinations, and that it is time for that regulation to no longer be a permanent rule. Mr. Worman seconded. 4 aye votes, 0 opposed.

Planning for Next Year: Dr. Long reported that the through surveys and interviews, the administration has been gathering information from students, staff and community on what is working well and what needs worked on. Dr. Long stated that with the information gathered the administration would be able to have a solid plan for next year and begin working on the next five year plan, which expires in the 2023-2024 school year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 23-05 - Classified Employee Appreciation Week March 6-10, 2023: Dr. Long expressed his appreciation for all of the classified employees within the district. Dr. Long and the board read Resolution 22-06. Mr. Carlton made a motion to approve Resolution 23-05 Classified Employee Appreciation Week March 6-10, 2022. Mrs. Misfeldt seconded. 5 aye votes, 0 opposed.

SOESD Local Service Plan 2023-2024 - Mr. Murphy made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 SOESD Local Service Plan. Mr. Worman seconded. 5 aye votes, 0 opposed.

Newspaper of Record - Tabled until the March Meeting

Board Policies Section J - Students - First Reading - Dr. Long read into the record Board Policies Section J, Students. (see attachment a)

Open Campus/Open Gym: Mr. Carlton inquired about where the administration was regarding open campus and open gyms. Dr. Long stated the elementary gates were unlocked during after school hours and the high school gates were locked at this time due to staffing issues, but if anyone needed access to reach out to him. Dr. Long stated that there was a board policy and process regarding facility use and that should be used as a guideline for individuals requesting permission to use the gym or facilities.

PERSONNEL:

Annual Renewal, Non-Renewal, Contract Extensions and Non-Extensions of Teachers and Administrators as required by Oregon Revised Statutes: Annual Renewal, Non-Renewal, Mr. Worman made a motion to approve the annual renewal, non-renewal, contract extensions and non-extension of teachers and administrators as presented. Mrs. Misfeldt seconded. 5 aye votes. 0 opposed.

Hire Middle School Girls Basketball Coach: Mrs. Misfeldt made a motion to hire Billy Myers as the Middle School Girls Basketball Coach. Mr. Carlton seconded. 5 aye votes, 0 opposed.

**COMMENTS/
FUTURE ITEMS:**

Mr. Carlton: Mr. Carlton stated that he hoped the volunteer restrictions would be lifted as he knows that the Stockman Association Agricultural Education Committees would like to reach out to schools and promote the agricultural and livestock industry.

Mr. Murphy: Mr. Murphy stated that vocationally training programs were good and worthwhile programs.

Mrs. Misfeldt: Mrs. Misfeldt thanked the staff and administration for all their hard work.

Mr. Worman: None

Mrs. Freeman: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mrs. Misfeldt took the board into executive session ORS 192.660 (2)(d) and ORS 192.660 (2) (h) at 7:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Mrs. Misfeldt took the board out of executive session at 8:17 p.m.

The Board meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m. 5 aye votes, 0 opposed.