

CORBETT SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, August 18, 2010
GRADE SCHOOL LIBRARY/BOARD ROOM

Board approved 9/15/10

The Board of Directors of Corbett School District No. 39, Multnomah County, Oregon, met at Corbett Grade School Library/Board Room in said district on Wednesday, August 18, 2010. The following members were present: Maureen Childs, Chairman; Charlie O'Neil; Mark Hyzer, Vice Chairman; Bob Buttke (in at 7:35 p.m.); Jeff Aho; Brian James and Todd Mickalson. Also present were: Dr. Randy Trani, Superintendent/Secondary Principal; Robin Lindeen-Blakeley and Jan Younker, Deputy Clerks and DeeDee Hanes, Grade School Principal/Special Education Director. NOTE: The minutes are prepared to coincide with time scheduled matters and the numbering system of the agenda and is not necessarily the actual order of happenings at the meeting.

7:32 p.m.

1.0 PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1.1 CALL TO ORDER - FLAG SALUTE Maureen Childs – Board Chairman, called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

1.2 Review and Acceptance of Agenda – no changes, accepted as written on agenda handed out at this meeting.

- 1.3 Approval of Minutes
Public Hearing 2010-2011 Budget
a. June 23, 2010
Regular Meetings
a. June 23, 2010
b. July 28, 2010

Jeff Aho moved and Brian James seconded:

RESOLUTION NO. **17.8-10** - RESOLVED that the Board approved the minutes of the above listed meetings.

The vote of the Board was 7-0 in favor.

- 1.4 Board Chairman Report Maureen Childs
a. Policy BA – Board Goals and Policy BK – Evaluation of Board Operational Procedures – to look at on Board workshop 8/25.
b. Board Workshop – August 25 from 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
c. OSBA Board of Directors nominations – information at later date.

d. Chairman Childs also reminded the Board of the in-service on August 24. She mentioned a letter from John Kitzhaber, candidate for Governor and information about the upcoming chili feed at the City of Fairview.

Chairman Childs met with Multnomah County School District Superintendents and Board Chairs for round table discussion and legislative get together. Later report but plans are for a November 18 meeting at Mount Hood Community College.

- 1.5 Review of Correspondence to Board
a. none at this meeting

1.6 Principal Reports

a. DeeDee Hanes – GS Principal – Ms. Hanes noted that the teachers have worked hard this summer to get contents for third year of the Gorge place-based learning. Previous years have covered studies of animals, plants and people of the Gorge. This year's emphasis will be on natural resources.

Partnerships with ECO and PTA for grants, with plans to take out invasive plants behind baseball field and eventually move towards wetlands later on. Dr. Keiran Egan with Imaginative Education and Simon

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Frazier University has been instrumental in teacher training for place-based education and ecology. Ms. Hanes reported there are 263 students in Corbett Grade School, with 120 in the primary end, 143 intermediate.

Todd Mickalson asked about the kindergarten count.

Ms. Hanes replied 48.

There are 30 students per classroom, and many neighboring districts do the same.

c. Derek Jaques, Phil Pearson, Lori Luna - MS/HS Asst. Principals
(see **9.3)

Lori Luna, MS Assistant Principal, reported that we have seven teachers and registration for students will be August 19, looking forward to a great year.

September 22 a field trip is planned for The Oregon Gardens, the Mount Angel Montessori and one other destination. This year's studies will focus on life sciences, the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. Corbett Middle School will again partner with LCREP (Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership) with the life science unit at Buck Creek for field studies.

Phil Pearson, HS Asst. Principal, spoke about the three way administrative split with teaching duties during most of the day.

High School registration was August 16 and 17, and Mr. Pearson handled most of the scheduling changes. There are 47 kids per section, with 30 the most in one class and averages of 28 per class. No new Advanced Placement course this year, except that moving Environmental Science to the freshman level. The freshmen did well last year with AP Human Geography. Sophomores were the second strongest. It shows the support they are given. Mr. Pearson plans a field trip August 31 for his physics class to Dr. Trani's house and the above ground round pool for momentum and angular studies.

Mr. Pearson commented on the astounding work of the other teachers here.

1.7 Tour of the Campus

Randy Trani

7:48 P.M. Dr. Trani led the tour of the campus.

8:29 P.M. The Board returned from tour of the campus. Noted was the Corbett Grade School sprinkler system that was completely rusted out, and has been replaced.

2.0 INTRODUCTION AND COMMENTS OF GUESTS AND REPRESENTATIVES

2.1 Eric Stevens, Booster Club President, gave his final update to the Board. Chris Detherage has been appointed the new incoming president. Fall sports numbers have improved. The new stadium facility is building excitement, thanks to the hard work of a lot of folks. Also thanks to the district for helping put the same programs together. A new CHS dance team has formed and will be entertaining at half time, and its hoped that the renewed use of the Cardinal mascot will pump up school spirit.

Chairman Childs thanked Mr. Stevens for all of his hard work.

Brian James asked about the dedication of the stadium.

Mr. Stevens answered that ceremony begins September 4, 4:00 p.m. with football game at 7:00 p.m. against Portland Christian.

3.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS / MATTERS

3.1 Report

Information Item

Dr. Trani said there is good and bad news, eerily similar to last month, with no generalizations yet. Projected Balance \$326,336.00.

With class sizes, would like to hire another primary teacher so that there would be 24 students per classroom. This would be \$70,000 with salary and benefits.

Charlie O'Neil asked was this an ADMw change on financial report?

Jeff Aho asked if the K-2 mix is ok still.

Dr. Trani answered yes, Kindergarten is the biggest. If split five ways, instead of four, we would be less top heavy with kindergarten. The financial report shows the Fed Edu Jobs Fund Revenue reflected, but the Governor projected \$200-\$500 million shortfall this year from the State. With education 45% of the

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pie, this is the Governor posturing. At the East County Human Resource Directors meeting August 18, their thought is closer to \$200 million cut. Three months ago the ADMw was 1025. We have 15 more students now for about \$90,000.00, but we will probably still lose \$80-\$100,000. Brian James reasoned that with Governor taking away about \$108 million, if we don't hire teacher we'll be in balance.

Dr. Trani answered that 15 more may trickle in, and we can pay for teacher, have money to educate kids this year.

Todd Mickalson expressed it would be good if kindergarteners stayed.

Maureen Childs added it is better not to fund based on roller coaster.

Charlie O'Neil concurred that it is not a matter of money, but priorities. It is better to hire a teacher.

Jeff Aho referred to conversation that Mr. Dunton shared about no data showing less than 16 students in a classroom makes any difference for the better. Is this the same as coaching model or a new trend?

Ms. Hanes answered that is not a good year for larger classrooms, there is K-2 value for smaller classrooms, and our teachers embrace the model to never hit 30 in a class. Energy expended is the issue.

Brian James confirmed that 19-24 kids have been the pattern. It is part of the reason 11 years ago that he brought his children to Corbett. Smaller class sizes are better.

Ms. Hanes said 28 was the class size last year. 28 is the new 22.

Maureen Childs agreed that elementary time is intensive; we can afford larger class sizes in the higher grades.

Ms. Luna added that philosophy of 30 has been end all for all the years she has been in the middle school.

Mr. Pearson said research suggests class size affects primary end the most. 33 in calculus is ok.

Jeff Aho wondered in the multi-age component, are smaller class sizes better?

Ms. Hanes answered at this age level it is better to have smaller classes.

Dr. Trani advocated that if we can do it moneywise, let's do it.

Todd Mickalson asked what happens if lots of students move out?

Dr. Trani said we could do a temporary reduction in force.

3.2 Audits

Information/Discussion Item

Review Audit Service proposals. In packet was proposal from TKW (Talbot, Korvola & Warwick, LLP.) Two of Pauly, Rogers and Co., P.C. auditors were here August 13. Bob Sesnon from Business Services at MESD was at the meeting as well. Pauly, Rogers can do the audit earlier and cheaper. It matters to get it done, and Bob Sesnon believes we can get it done on time and we're stuck with current auditors for now.

Jan Younker noted Pauly, Rogers and Co., P.C. has done preliminary audit work for 2009-10 already.

Dr. Trani recommends we stay with Pauly, Rogers and Co., P.C.

We will do another RFP in December for 2010-2011.

3.3 See 4.1

3.4 See 4.1

3.5 See 4.1

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

Charlie O'Neil moved and Brian James seconded:

4.0 Consent agenda resolution items 18.8-10 through 27 .8-10** Action Items**

**3.3 Confirm Insurance Programs Agent of Record

****RESOLUTION NO. 18.8-10**** – RESOLVED that the Board confirmed the appointment of Beecher Carlson as our Insurance Agent of Record for placing Property & Casualty Insurance and Surety for Corbett School District effective July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011.

****3.4** United States National Bank of Oregon Business Checking Account

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****RESOLUTION NO. 19.8-10****- RESOLVED that the Board confirmed that Randy Trani, Superintendent, Jan Younker and Robin Lindeen-Blakeley, Deputy Clerks are approved signers on US Bank Checking Account No. 1-536-0541-2813 and Robert R. “Bob” Dunton is removed as a signer on same account effective August 18, 2010.

****3.5** Health Insurance Coverage and Life and Replacement Income Insurance for Teachers on Leave of Absence

****RESOLUTION NO. 20.8-10****- RESOLVED that the Board confirmed that due to the fact that Corbett Charter School teacher insurance under OEBB/UNUM/OEA Choice Trust does not go into effect until October 1, 2010, Corbett School District has agreed to reinstate coverage for September 2010 for the following: Sheri Dunton, Alyssa Reed, Rachel Dolkas, Lindy Sims, Lisa Kelly, Dacia Loeung, Lucas Houck and William Robertson. Corbett Charter School will reimburse Corbett School District for these costs.

****5.1** Independent Textbook Adoptions

****RESOLUTION NO. 21.8-10**** - RESOLVED that the Board approved the following independent textbook adoptions for science curriculum: Life, Earth and Physical Science Units, Grades 6-8; Biology 7E AP, Grades 9-12; Chemistry The Central Science, Grades 9-12; and Physics with Calculus, Grades 9-12.

****6.1** Set Staff Rates for Out-of-District Tuition

****RESOLUTION NO. 22.8.10**** – RESOLVED that the Board set tuition for non-resident children of staff members attending Corbett School District without an inter-district transfer agreement at 25% of the regular rate of \$10,000 per year for Kindergarten through Twelfth Grade (includes full-day kindergarten). This will be added to the 2007-10 contract agreement as an MOU and negotiated into the next contract agreement when settled.

****9.1** Extended Contracts for Certified Employees

****RESOLUTION NO. 23.8-10**** – RESOLVED that the Board confirmed the addition of a 10 day contract for J.P. Soulagnet and Holly Elvins-Dearixon (.7 FTE) for the 2010-2011 school year and additional periods daily @ 16.67% for Phillip Pearson, Derek Jaques, Anthony Young, Tim Cooper, Victoria Hubler and Lori Luna for 2010-2011.

****9.2** Extended Contract and Reclassification for Classified Employee

****RESOLUTION NO. 24.8-10**** – RESOLVED that the Board confirmed the new job classification of Eligibility Official for Dorthy Hayden at Class 9 Step 5, .64 FTE for a 175 day contract in 2010-2011.

****9.3** Administrative Titles and Rates for Certified Employees

****RESOLUTION NO. 25.8-10**** – RESOLVED that the Board confirmed the administrative titles and \$418 /day rates for the following: Lori Luna, Middle School Assistant Principal – 28 days; Derek Jaques, High School Assistant Principal – 30 days; and Phillip Pearson, High School Assistant Principal – 34 days.

****9.4 Resignation of Classified Employee**

****RESOLUTION NO. 26.8-10**** – RESOLVED that the Board confirmed the resignation of Brandon Sauce, Instructional Aide and Middle School Coach as of August 3, 2010 and effective June 4, 2010.

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****9.5 Revised Hiring of Fall Coaches (since 4/21/10 confirmation)**

****RESOLUTION NO. 27.8-10****- RESOLVED that the Board confirmed the hire of Brian Davis as Head Varsity Football Coach; Greg Noles, Assistant Varsity Football Coach; Andy Mott, Assistant Varsity Football Coach; Angela Davis, Head Varsity Volleyball Coach; Amy Jones, Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach; Jessica Baird, Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach; Brie Windust, Head Varsity Girls Soccer Coach; Brian Paul, Head Varsity Boys Soccer Coach; Peter Monahan, Assistant Varsity Boys Soccer Coach; Craig Payton, Assistant Varsity Boys Soccer Coach; Cheryl Reams, Head Middle School Volleyball Coach; Michelle Dawkins, Assistant Middle School Volleyball Coach; Cami Paul, Assistant Middle School Volleyball Coach; Kevin Haley, Head Middle School Football Coach and Karl Haley, Assistant Middle School Football Coach for the 2010-2011 school year.

The vote of the Board was 6 – 0; 1 abstention from Maureen Childs for Consent Agenda Resolution items 18-8.10** through 27.8-10**.

5.0 CURRICULUM

5.1 See 4.1

6.0 STUDENTS

6.1 See 4.1

7.0 TRANSPORTATION, BUILDINGS AND MAINTENANCE

7.1 No information at this time in the meeting.

8.0 CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

8.1 No information at this time in the meeting.

9.0 PERSONNEL

9.1 See 4.1

9.2 See 4.1

9.3 See 4.1

9.4 See 4.1

9.5 See 4.1

9.6 Vacant Positions

Information Item

Chairman Childs announced:

The district has vacant positions at this time for Middle School Coaches, Assistant Varsity Girls and Assistant Varsity Boys Basketball Coaches, Substitute Bus Drivers and on-call Instructional Assistants for 2010-2011.

10.0 POLICY

10.1 No information at this meeting.

- 11.0 SUPERINTENDENT TRANI'S REPORT – Dr. Trani met with SSCA (Springdale School Community Association) and handed out copies of the “save our Springdale School Campaign”. The first proposal is to continue with their May 2011 purchase agreement as there are potential large donor(s); the second proposal is another year extension; and the third proposal is Corbett School District retains ownership and does massive refurbishment with aggressive fundraising. The

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insurance carrier reports that the boiler needs to be fixed as well as sheet rock/tile falling off in various places to keep replacement value coverage.

Jeff Aho stated that the County said we were in violation, where are we with that?

Dr. Trani said we have hire that is advocating \$500-\$800,000 spent as evidence of school use. The handout called “site development & landscaping plan” is the dream map showing the theater three times the size of what it is currently, with classroom space to house more students, so could be performing arts with retail space with arts focus.

Jeff Aho asked about retail community service.

Charlie O’Neil mentioned that would be new construction. First goal should be designation as school and second to find out regarding extension or not. At best raise enough money to get it up to code.

Maureen Childs stated need to verify liability of three options. SSCA donor might be there, how they would approach quickly and better. She appointed Charlie O’Neil and Mark Hyzer to committee because of Charlie’s land use planning meeting experience and Springdale School background and Mark as Vice Chairman and experience on our Board.

Charlie O’Neil said he may resign his role on the Corbett Charter School Board because the work is time intensive with Springdale School committee and that role on Corbett Charter School Board would also be a conflict of interest with Corbett School District Board.

Dr. Trani asked if he has consensus from Board to get designation clarified.

Bob Buttke asked about a budget and timeline for Peter Fry.

Dr. Trani said he would find out and let the Board know. Pursue with Peter Fry for \$1000.00.

Phil Pearson talked about handouts for analysis of medical insurance expenses and proposed HRA plan account for Corbett School District.

Dr. Trani noted AYP (Annual Yearly Progress) met by Corbett School District. The standards are being ratcheted up so that 100% of students meet the benchmark 100% of the time by 2014.

Derek Jaques, Technology Coordinator/Asst. HS Principal, will send if he hasn’t already sent the Board passwords for their e-mail accounts.

Dr. Trani explained his coaching stint in Alaska and how they made cuts for basketball. With the athletics budget spending \$215,000, our policies may need to change to keep under \$185,000. We are robbing from our benefits, as nowhere else to steal. Sports program has had no cuts to date. He sees four possible solutions: athletics the same with expense to something else, change policy and don’t add based on certain numbers but instead make cuts in numbers, change coaching salary structure, or eliminate chunks of athletics. Brian James suggested maybe split charter school and #39 athletics or cut transportation.

Maureen Childs noted that would defeat the community we’re trying to build.

Maybe start with policy change or look at administrative rule.

Jeff Aho suggested checking with coaches.

Clubs open or closed to facility use, reasonable student activities, can’t discriminate, fee structure doesn’t cost much.

Brian James requested structure encouraged, i.e. dance club information.

Dr. Trani said dance team is working with the Sports Boosters.

Todd Mickalson suggested conversation with Chris Detherage, Boosters President.

12.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION –ORS 192.660 (d) - To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.
No Executive Session at this meeting.

13.0 ACTION ON PROPOSED OR TABLED MATTERS TO FOLLOW EXECUTIVE SESSION

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13.1 None at this meeting.

14.0 MATTERS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

14.1 Todd Mickalson said it may be helpful to read Corbett Charter School blogs.

14.2 Maureen Childs noted that OSBA has board nominations for two seats.

14.3 Dr. Trani noted that we have \$1100 per month phone bill which could be cut in half if we left Reliance Connects and it would also mean changing all our phone numbers.

14.4 Todd Mickalson and Bob Buttke suggested it would be worth negotiating.

15.0 COMING EVENTS

15.1 In-service/Luncheon, Tuesday, August 24, 2010 – Board of Directors invited

15.2 Annual Appraisal/Review/and Evaluation of Board operational procedures and District Goals/Board Communication Workshop – August 25, 2010 – start 6:00 p.m.?

15.3 First day of School, Monday, August 30, 2010

15.4 Labor Day Holiday, Monday, September 6, 2010

15.5 Open House for MS/HS, Wednesday, September 8, 2010 eve

15.6 Friday School Day, September 10, 2010

15.7 Regular Board Meeting – 7:30 p.m. Grade School Library/Board Room, September 15, 2010

15.7 OSBA Fall Regional Dinner – tentative date Tuesday, October 5, 2010

15.8 OSBA Annual Convention – November 11-14, 2010 Portland

16.0 ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 p.m.