



Board of Directors Meeting October 19, 2010

Board Members: Chair Scott Pillar, Vice-Chair Terry Rahmsdorff (5:40), Directors Jerry Crafton, Ron Gallinat, Cathy Miller, Bob Moore, Carol Moorehead, Scott Reynolds and John Sundell

HDES Staff: Dr. Dennis Dempsey, Superintendent, Kathy Emerson, Deputy Superintendent, Paul Andrews, Executive Director of Children's Programs, Greg Munn, Executive Director of Fiscal Services and Shelley Knutz, Executive Assistant

Call to Order: Board Chair Scott Pillar called the meeting to order with a quorum of eight at 5:28 pm.

PRESENTATIONS

Fiscal Report

Greg Munn presented the Finance Report - Revenue and Expenditures as of September 30, 2010.

- General Fund – Operations, Fund Balance/ Reserves, Revenue and Expenditures
- Special Revenue Fund
- PERS UAL Debt Service Fund
- Facilities Maintenance Fund

Greg reviewed the Detailed Fiscal Report and answered questions from the board members regarding the information he presented.

Google Apps Presentation

Rachel Wentz-Chaney reported that ODE has signed a five year agreement with Google. Oregon was the first state to partner with Google to offer email and online applications for K-12 public school districts in the state. The agreement between Oregon and Google lets us provide students a no-cost, advertising-free, filtered and protected domains for use in our schools. Rachel gave a short demonstration of Google Apps. Rachel helped organize the Google Summit in Sherwood last month. Over 300 attendees participated in the summit in person or virtually.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Governance Model Recommendations

Dr. Dempsey presented the Board with a draft governance model which incorporates the Board's desire to create more leadership opportunities. The recommendation was to narrow the committees down to 3: Facilities, Finance/Negotiations and Legislative. Board members would serve on a committee and rotate from year to year providing exposure in all areas and learning opportunities for all members. The vice-chair would be considered chair-elect for the following year. This would be a two year commitment and provide continuity in leadership but would still require a nomination and vote for the vice-chair to become chair.

Dr. Dempsey asked the board members to let Shelley know which committees they are most interested in serving on and then the chair and vice-chair will appoint committee members. This governance model will be presented as an action item at the next meeting.

Facility Committee Report

Greg Munn has been working with local banks and Seattle Northwest. He provided a breakdown of the impact refinancing would have on the Manzanita Loan.

Dr. Dempsey is scheduling a meeting with Frank Jungers to discuss the terms of the Tamarack Lease and the possible sale of the building. Bend-La Pine is using the building and may be interested in purchasing it. The Board suggested that the HDES not be in the middle of this and see if it is possible to get out of the lease and have Bend-La Pine work directly with Frank Jungers.

Greg mentioned the discussion of creating an RFP for banking services. John noted that the RFP can request a proposal for banking services alone and one for banking services including the refinance of the Manzanita loan.

- **Terry Rahmsdorff moved and Scott Reynolds seconded a motion to go out for a banking RFP to cover banking services only and banking services including the refinancing of the Manzanita loan. Motion carried unanimously.**

Bob Martin attended a meeting in Madras regarding the use of the Westside Elementary in Madras as a Community Center. We have sent a letter to the Jefferson County SD saying we are interested in being an anchor tenant in the building. Diane Tipton will be attending these meetings with Bob to represent EI/ECSE.

Legislative Platform

The legislative committee met and reviewed the legislative platform that was created with feedback from the regional superintendents. Not all districts were given the opportunity to provide input so the Board felt it appropriate to list the districts who were involved in creating the platform. Dennis asked the board members to review the documents and send him their priorities. It would be best to submit two or three items that all districts would be able to support.

Superintendent Report

Dr. Dempsey asked if the board members had any questions regarding his October Update. Bob Moore asked for an update on Skyliner Lodge. Dennis has sent out notices to everyone interested in being on the Steering Committee. They will begin meeting next week to discuss and plan how to best use the facility for outdoor and environmental education.

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution 07:10 – Common Core State Standards

ESDs are being asked to support this resolution because one of our core goals is school improvement. The content of the Common Core Standards is not that different but the level of achievement is much higher. Kathy Emerson voiced her support and Ron Gallinat noted that Bend-La Pine School District Board has already adopted the resolution.

- **Ron Gallinat moved and Jerry Crafton seconded a motion to approve Resolution 07:10 – Common Core State Standards. Motion carried unanimously.**

EBS Business Plan/RFP

There was only one responder to the RFP. Webformix has met all of the requirements and responded to additional questions from the consortium. The committee was unanimous in support of pursuing the RFP. A contract will need to be created and approved by all three boards involved in the consortium.

Approve Superintendent Contract

The board members have been briefed on the highlights of Dennis' contract. His salary has been adjusted just like the rest of the ESD staff – he received the 1.4% COLA and has reduced four days from his contract. The contract allows for further discussion in February as to the term of the contract. Dennis believes it is important to begin discussing succession planning at that time. The board members asked for the opportunity to review the entire contract before voting on it. Dennis will send out the version with all changes highlighted. The contract will be placed on the November agenda as an action item.

Consent Agenda

The Personnel Report for October, Surplus Equipment and Board Minutes from September were presented to the Board on the Consent Agenda.

- **Bob Moore moved and Cathy Miller seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

The regular meeting recessed to Executive Session at 7:50 pm and reconvened at 8:20 pm

Adjourn

The October 19, 2010, High Desert Education Service District Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Scott Pillar, Board Chair

Shelley Knutz, Executive Assistant