

Arlington School District No. 3
Arlington, Oregon 97812

December 12, 2011

The regular meeting of the Arlington Board of Directors was held December 12, 2011 in the high school library.

Board Members: April Aamodt, Tiah Devin, Mark Sumner, Danelle Wetherell & Brad Wiley were present.

Personnel: Superintendent-Steve Boynton, Principal-Travis Reeser & Board Secretary - Mariah Shandy were present.

Visitors: Mr. Allen Cunningham, Mark Davidson, and Mr. Charlie VanGorder were present.

Opening

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman April Aamodt, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

2. **Consent Agenda:**
 - 2.1 **Approve Agenda**
 - 2.2 **Approve November School Board Minutes**
 - 2.3 **Approve Monthly Bills/Financials**

Motion made by Tiah to approve consent agenda. Motion seconded by Danelle. Motion carried.

3. **Visitor & Communications Report :**
 - 3.1 Alan Cunningham-Showed the board a design for a new shop space that would be located near the current bus barn. He went over the benefits that the new shop would offer including space, and safety. The shop would have plenty of room to accommodate larger class sizes in the future. Steve added that the school is leaning towards a steel building and are comparing costs at this time. The proposal is to have the shop up and operating by August 2012.

4. **Informational Items:**

5. **Superintendent's Report:**
 - 5.1 Superintendent's Report
Superintendent Steve Boynton reviewed the financial statement with the board.

As the Board requested at the last meeting, Steve looked into purchasing a more economical vehicle for school use. This would be in an effort to reduce travel expenses for the school. He presented multiple estimates for new vehicles. These would be purchased through a state contract, which would allow the school to sell the vehicle at the same price as we paid.

ESD posted a full-time Special Education position to assist our Special Ed department with the large number of special needs students. This position will be filled after the 1st of the year.

Steve reviewed student testing results for OAKS Reading and Math. He compared 1st round this year with 1st round last year test scores. Tiah would like to see the School communicate what the OAKS test looks like and how to prepare for the tests, including study material. The State will not allow students that “meet” the requirements of the OAKS test to retake the test and try to “exceed”. In the past the state has allowed students to re-take the test to try and “exceed”.

In Service review-worked with ESD Rinda, in work relevant work groups. Tiah would like the staff to have a chart that has the standard and how they are meeting the standard with the module. The staff could use this to explain to parents where the students are meeting the standards or not. At the top of each module instruction sheet, note what part of Blooms that the module is meeting. Steve will work on this.

High School is looking into PTE or CTE programs, leaning towards PTE at this time. AHS is reviewing ways to change schedule to fit these types of programs in. The goal is to have one of these programs in place by August 2012.

6. Unfinished Business/New Business/Action Items

6.1 Mr. VanGorder-Senior Trip

The class of 2012 is planning to go to Cannon Beach for their senior trip. The trip will take place during Spring Break so that the seniors will not be missing any school. Mrs. Melissa Wiley and Mr. VanGorder will be chaperones for the trip.

Motion to approve the Senior Trip for 2012 as proposed was made by Tiah and seconded by Danelle. Motion Carried.

6.2 School Board Policy on Advanced Salary Payments-First Reading

Staff members are asking for draws, we do not currently have a board policy, and the District needs a policy on the books. Steve presented an example policy from OSBA.

Motion to amend policy to 2 occurrences from 3 and to change wording to read fiscal year. Motion made by Tiah and seconded by Danelle. Motion Carried.

6.3 Calendar Adjustment

Classified and Certified contracts said the January 1, 2012 would be a paid holiday to accommodate this we would need to take the 2nd off.

Motion made by Danelle to adjust school calendar to return after Christmas Break on January 3, 2012 and change Friday following to a school day. Seconded by Tiah. Motion Carried.

6.4 Travis Reeser-Playground Proposal

Travis presented the board with a plan to replace the older dome and teeter structures near the swings at AGS with new play structure that includes lots of climbing options. A new area is needed because our current structure is over populated with kids and the older equipment is not practical anymore.

Motion to approve proposal for new playground equipment made by Danelle and seconded by Mark. Motion Carried.

Concluding Board Motions

The Board entered into Executive session at 7:50 p.m. The Board returned to Regular session at 8:50 p.m.

Superintendent Steve Boynton’s Evaluation- The board reviewed their evaluation with Steve and summarized their findings.

Motion made to extend contract for Superintendent Steve Boynton for an additional year by Danelle and seconded by Tiah. Motion Carried.

Announcements: Christmas Program December 14th at 7:00 pm

Date of Next Board Meeting: Board Meeting, January 9, 2012– 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

Date