

Arlington School District #3  
Arlington, OR 97812  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
February 8, 2016

Board Members: Grant Wilkins, Shanna Gronquist and David Anderson were present. Paul Wilson was absent.

Personnel: Kevin Hunking and Mariah Shandy

Visitors: Benjamin and Thomas Evans, Syllas Aamodt, Connor Cunningham, Joe Patnode, Joely Patnode, Rileigh McClure, Shelby Collins, Vizta Sifford, Meagan Hauner, Teren Humprey, Missy Sifford, Leslie Walborn, Kristine Wetherell, Lori McGuire, Alan Cunningham, Jessica Gossett, Christina Goad, Becky Jefferies, Shannon Thompson, Michelle Reeser, Stephanni McAninch, Liam Duerden, Andrew Frail, Shannon Osmon, Jesse Osmon and Abigail Osmon

**Regular Meeting Opening**

1. Call to Order: Chairman, David Anderson, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm
2. Consent Agenda:
  - 2.1 Approve Amended Agenda
  - 2.2 Approve January School Board Minutes
  - 2.3 Approve Bills/Financials

**Motion made by Shanna to approve consent agenda with amendments to agenda, motion seconded by Grant. Motion passed unanimously.**

3. Public Comment:

Sarah Kerns announced to the Board that she is fairly new in town and has children in K and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. She is interested in starting up a PTO Parent Teacher Organization here in Arlington. She has talked to several other parents that are also interested in participating.

Vizta Sifford lead the Junior Class in asking permission from the Board to go out of state for the 2016 Prom. At this time the Junior class is planning an even on the Sternwheeler which would depart out of the Tri Cities. The students would travel on a bus to the event and from the event. They are also planning on sharing this event with Condon. The Board will make motion in new business below.

Liam Duerden and Andrew Frail presented information on the Cottonwood Crossings Summer Institute that they both participated in last summer. See materials in minute book. They both thought it was an excellent experience and they received college credits for the course, Lori McGuire was their advisor. This year we have four teachers participating: Shannon Thompson, Alan Cunningham, Debra Laws and Lori McGuire.

4. Superintendent Report:

Mr. Hunking reported on the following:

-The electrical upgrade is progressing and should be finalized with a power outage on Feb 12<sup>th</sup> where they will be connecting to the new system.

-The Science room is finished and students are now using it.

-By the end of February the CTE building should be complete

-Title I remedial reading groups have started

-Our five year maintenance and five year technology plans are currently in place

-We are planning for focused instruction for K, 1 and 2 next year. 3/4 and 5/6 will be together.

-State is moving forward with "The right conversation" Oregon ranked 38<sup>th</sup> in the nation on test performance and 39<sup>th</sup> financially K-12.

-Mr. Hunking shared his calendar with the Board

-Student attendance is still a challenge and is something the staff has been working on

5. Unfinished Business/New Business/Action Items

5.1 Permission for prom to be held out of state-The junior class presented their proposal to the Board. **Motion was made by Grant to approve the plans to hold prom out of state, the Junior class may continue to make plans, motion was seconded by Shanna. Motion passed unanimously.**

5.2 Budget Calendar- We currently have one opening on the Budget Committee. The Board was presented with the budget calendar. **Motion was made by Grant to approve budget calendar as presented and appoint Kevin Hunking as the Budget Officer, motion seconded by Shanna. Motion passed unanimously.**

5.3 Bond-Mr. Hunking advised the Board that Arlington School District was not selected for Senate 447 matching funds grant. We can either do a partial fix and go out for a bond in May. Or postpone until November and try and get the Senate 447 matching fund again. After discussion the Board felt they should wait until November, as it would be more beneficial.

5.4 Superintendent Evaluation-The Board was presented with some sample questions for a survey as well as a copy of the District goals. The plan is to have surveys completed by the March meeting and be ready to complete Mr. Hunkings evaluation at that time.

5.5 ESD opt out decision-Spoke briefly about ESD visit to last meeting. Mr. Hunking advised the Board that he feels it is in the best interest of the students and District to not opt out. ESD has disclosed financial information and has improved services . Students need services that are offered. **Motion was made by Grant to approve the 2016-2017 Resolution Services contract with NCESD, motion seconded by Shanna. Motion passed unanimously.**

5.6 Audit Findings-The Audit findings can be found in the minute book along with a summary that was presented to the Board. Mr. Hunking and the Deputy Clerk were not happy with the auditors that we used this year and have recommended that we do not use them in the future. They were not timely and had numerous errors in the audit. The Board will be looking into replacing this auditor for next year. **Motion made by Shanna to accept the 2014-2015 audit, motion seconded by Grant. Motion passed unanimously.**

5.7 Grade Policy. Our current District grade policy states that High School students will receive a letter grade of A, B, C, D or F- there is nothing in the current policy that allows for a P for pass or a NG for no grade. The staff has talked about wanting some flexibility in the policy. After discussion the Board advised Mr. Hunking to go ahead and review the policy with staff to bring back recommendations for any changes.

5.8 Inter District Transfer Policy- At this time ASD does not have an Inter District Transfer policy. We are going to develop a policy and bring back to the Board for approval.

6. Concluding Board Motions

The Board adjourned the regular session at 7:35 pm.

Announcements:

Missoula Children's Theatre Feb 15-20<sup>th</sup>

Next Meeting Date: March 14, 2016

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Board Chair

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Board Secretary