



MINUTES

Board: Jeff Davis, Ron Koetz, Linda Montanez, Aaron Schneider, Deb Lindberg

Board members absent: NONE

Staff: Katie Sapp, Marc Thielman, Shirley Koetz, Keenan Elbers, Shanon Rice, Jackie Hendrix, Nicole Davis, Aimee Hart

Students: None

Patrons: Soren Rounds

1. Call to Order, Flag Salute at 1900

2. Approval of Agenda

Jeff Davis motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Linda Montanez seconded. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Roll Call/ Swearing in of Board Members –

Debra Kathleen Lindberg was sworn in as an Alsea School District Board of Directors Member.

4. Approval of Minutes – December 13, 2017

Jeff Davis motioned to approve the minutes as with edits provided Deb Lindberg Seconded. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Patron Comments – None

A.

6. Superintendent's Report –

A. Marc Thielman mentioned that we will be implementing a spending freeze.

B. We have made changes to the fire alarm system based on his suggestions including working with our electrician, adding safety lights in the locker rooms and mudding the swamp.

C. A big thank you to people who volunteered time during the break to help work on projects. Dick Hoch brought his trailer and took old roofing from the playshed to the dump for us. Ron Koetz and Ryan Vanleuven helped with the reroofing.

D. We received a call from the local fire Chief stating that he would like the cone removed from the highway due to his impression that the fire trucks will not be able to safely pull into the highway. Linda Montanez stated that Carmen Martin called her and said that she has witnessed a general slowing down of people through town due to the cone. In Carmen Martin's opinion, taking the cones out of the roadway at the Fire Chief's request has correlated with a speeding up of the traffic through town again.

Since the cone has been removed, board members have been receiving feedback from the community as to why the cone had been taken down. At this time, no board member has received any negative feedback concerning the cone being in the road.

Per discussion with ODOT, the cone has been placed in the crosswalk, seated between the double yellow lines. Discussion around why safety responders would run over a child due to the cone in

the roadway as opposed the cone went through the board [as that was one of the Fire Chief's stated concerns]. It was pointed out that log truck drivers, delivery trucks and school busses make that turn daily without having issues with the cone. The board discussed options other than the cone, such as crosswalk lights, flaggers and different placement of the cones. As students use the crosswalk at hours outside school time, flaggers are not feasible for after practices, games or other activities when students use this crosswalk.

General consensus from board members is that the cone provides for an increase in safety for students at all hours. They directed Marc Thielman to put the cone back in the crosswalk. They also instructed him to again make contact with ODOT, the Sherriff's Department and Benton County to reconfirm the legality of the sign placement.

- E. Aaron Schneider asked where we are at with the flag. Since getting back from break the 5th graders have been putting it up and taking it down each day. We are working on getting a light on it, at which point we will purchase an all-weather flag and leave it up all the time.

7. Information Items –

- A. Aimee Hart – Dishwasher proposal. Aimee Hart researched information on how the school could rent a dishwasher for the kitchen to let us cutback on the use of throw-away products. Aimee Hart talked to the Corvallis School District and they noted that we would have to renegotiate our contract with them to figure out a price for meals without the paper/ Styrofoam products. Aimee Hart would really like to see our students working on going green and sustainability.

8. Athletic Report – Nicole Davis

- A. New Hire – NONE
- B. Resignation – NONE
- C. Openings: Middle School Girls Assistant Basketball Coach – interviewing next week. We have two applicants.
- D. Winter Sports Update:
 - i. **Basketball Girls:** The girls are starting off strong, they are 6-4 currently with a game against Lowell on the 11th at 6pm (home). We've even been invited to a tournament in Philomath for next season that should be a great learning experience for the girls.
 - ii. **Basketball Boys:** The boys have decided that they wanted to cancel their remaining season. They had a team meeting after break and felt that for the good of the league, as well as themselves, that would not like to continue the season. They are planning to focus on the upcoming Track season.
 - iii. **Wrestling:** The boys are doing extremely well at their meets. They have a meet tonight in Philomath and this coming weekend in the Redmond area. Scotty will be taking the JV boys to a separate tournament in Florence this weekend. It's a wonderful coaching opportunity for him to show what he's learned thus far from Troy.
 - iv. **Other news:** We are getting closer to knowing if 6-man football is going to be an option next year. We have voiced our desire to be able to have this option, but are still waiting for the other leagues to say what they would like as well as the logistics of playoffs/districts/league breakdowns etc. Aaron Schneider pointed out that we need to have a set number to start a football season, at least 12 players, even if we go with a 6-man football option.

Philomath's Athletic Director has reached out to Nicole Davis to see if Alsea would like to co-op in other sports for the next year. Aaron Shermerhorn, Philomath Athletic Director, says that there has been a lot of Philomath staff, students, parents, and officials who have been pushing for them to extend the co-op sports options from just Wrestling to other areas. Nicole Davis told Aaron Shermerhorn that she would take it to our board for their thoughts on the issue and get back to him. Nicole Davis feels that this could be good for us in sports that we might not have the numbers for or ability to host (baseball, softball, possibly football for next year, and maybe even basketball since we'll be down numbers in the next few years), but again we will have to see if there's any interest to do so from the students and parents.

TASK – come to April meeting with thoughts on Athletic program going forward.

9. Discussion Items

- A. Cash Flow/ Financial Reports – This month's financial report included listings of all debit card purchases from July 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017 for board approval. Marc Thielman mentioned that he has implemented a spending freeze with the staff. Our current ending fund balance is projected to be around \$312,000.00 at this point.
- B. A3/ Valliant Distance Learning Proposal – Marc Thielman has been working with ODE to ensure that we are moving forward in the correct manner. We are working on figuring out what the bumps may be and planning for them. Katie Sapp asked at what point we can pull out if it is not working. Aaron Schneider says that this should not end up being the case. A3 will take care of all the administrative processes. This should not impact the ASD's central office. Shanon Rice asked how much of the funding we retain? Three percent plus one percent is retained by the district.
- C. Superintendent Evaluation – The board is comfortable with evaluation as listed. Aaron Schneider invited board members provide comments under each line item if they would like to.
- D. Bids for Concrete Work and Retaining Wall – Shirley Koetz reached out to multiple concrete companies and no one would send back a bid. Aaron Schneider asked if we can afford this project. Katie Sapp and Keenan Elbers talked about how we need the space this will clear up from under the preschool and that Katie Sapp had included this in the cashflow in case it gets improved to give board a clear picture of our financial situation.
- E. Playshed Roof – Keenan Elbers brought pricing for a metal roof on the playshed. When we tore it open to replace the sky lights, there was a lot more damage than we expected. He is now recommending that we replace the roof with a 40-year metal roof. The total cost of the quality materials is a little under \$9,000 for materials for total. Ryan Vanleuven has volunteered to help Keenan Elbers install the roof. There will be no contracted services for this project. Aaron Schneider suggested we use Action Item D to include both projects.
- F. LBL Local Service Plan – Very similar to previous years. This plan includes services offered by the ESD to district.
- G. Division 22 Assurances – Tabled until next month
- H. New Hire

- i. Special Education Aide – Nicole Davis was unanimously recommended for this position.

There were three applicants

10. Action Items

- A. Payment of Bills – December/ January

Ron Koetz motioned to approve payment of December/ January bills. Jeff Davis seconded. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

- B. A3 Distance Learning Proposal

Jeff Davis motioned to approve the amendment to the Alsea School District Charter agreement and to approve the Online Services Agreement with A3 with necessary typo corrections prior to signing. Debra Lindberg seconded. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

- C. Superintendent Evaluation – Approval of Evaluation Mechanism

Ron Koetz motioned to approve the Superintendent Evaluation Mechanism using SurveyMonkey for convenience. Jeff Davis seconded. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

- D. Bid Award – Concrete Pad and Retaining Wall.

Linda Montanez motioned to approve Vanleuven Construction's bid for the Concrete pad and retaining wall and purchasing of the roofing materials to put the new roof on the playshed. Ron Koetz seconded. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

- E. Resolution 1718-01 – LBL Local Service Plan 2018-2019

Jeff Davis motioned to approve Resolution 1718-01 – LBL Local Service Plan 2018-2019. Deb Lindberg seconded. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

- F. Division 22 Assurances

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- G. New Hire

- i. Special Education Aide – Nicole Davis

Jeff Davis declared an actual conflict of interest, and will abstain from the vote.

Ron Koetz motioned to hire Nicole Davis as a Special Education Aide as recommended by Marc Thielman and the hiring committee. Deb Lindberg seconded. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

11. Other Business

12. Next Meeting Date: February 14, 2018 – Regular board meeting

13. Adjournment at 2123.

As recorded by,
Katie Sapp

Board Chair:


Aaron Schneider

Clerk:


Marc Thielman