

Harney County School Dist. #7

Diamond School

Minutes of

February 12, 2024

Present: Tim O’Crowley, Seth O’Crowley, Joyce Robertson, Willy Stoddart, Denise Adams, Raime Stoddart, Susan O’Crowley, Shannon Criss & Annette Carson.

Absent: Doug Stott

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

VISITORS-

Crystal Hussey

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- None

Superintendent Report:

- Mid-Year Teacher evaluations. Both evaluations are exceptional and Shannon highly recommends rehiring both teachers.
- Local Service Plan 2024-2025. Four areas to concentrate on in LSP,
 - 1. Resolution dollars,
 - 2. Core services: what district purchase,
 - 3. Printing, meeting rooms and
 - 4. ODE incentives- For all school in Harney County (SIA, attendance, reading literacy SSPS and safe schools.

- Page 20 of LSP is the Resolution approving the Local Service Plan for 2024-2025. We will also need to decide what contracted services Diamond will participate in for the upcoming school year.

TEACHER & JANITOR REPORT

Denise:

- The teachers have come up with a year-end calendar of events: February- Missoula Children's Theatre, March- Science Fair projects, Ski trip, Coach Caitlyn, April- Science Fair, Kelly Tibadeau, May- Crane play day.
- May 6-9 is Outdoor Education trip to Astoria. 4th-8th graders.
- Preparing for state testing in writing.
- Kelly Singhose from Health Department would like to meet with all school next fall and do health screenings for students, which would replace the current health fair that takes place in Crane. Tim made the motion to have the Health Department meet with our Diamond students for the health screenings. Joyce seconded. AIF.
- Word of the week is going very well. There have been many positive changes.

Raime:

- Lunch Program: Parents would pay \$xx per month to have a hot lunch at school. Kendra would be in charge of preparing the meals, which she is excited about. In April we would like to try this out and see how it goes. Possibly do it next school year if everyone agrees. All must participate to make this work. We could possibly just do it 2X a week or whatever everyone decides on. The board thought this was a great idea and to do a trial run in April and see how it goes.
- New heater/air conditioner in the gym next to the kitchen is not working. Annette will contact BB Smith Heating and air to see if they can come look at it.
- The board asked both teachers how things are going at school? It's been a tough couple week for everyone and the school board just wants to be sure our teachers are taking care of themselves too. Both teachers said it is hard to support students when they are also dealing with the loss of Addie. Staying busy seems to help. The kids are resilient and are doing pretty well. The board wants to make sure that the teachers are taking time that they need. If they need some days off, most definitely do so.

Susan:

- Susan presented a picture of the Diamond Students and their band. It is a great picture.
- The Missoula Children's Theatre has been so great this week. The instructors work very well with all the students.

Janitor:

- Annette & Raime met with Angie Ketcher from ESD, Integrated Pest Management. We now have an IPM book with guidelines and reports that we must manage.

MINUTES AND BILLS:

- The bills for February were presented to the board. Tim made the motion to approve the bills as presented. Willy seconded. Motion carried.
- The minutes of January 8, 2024 were presented via email to the board. Willy made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Tim seconded. AIF, motion carried.

OID BUSINESS

- Oregon Government Ethics Commission, Annual Verified Statement of Economic Interest- Each board member is mandated to fill out the statement of economic interest. Annette has filled this out for years and it does not ask any specifics and is not too intrusive. Annette is willing to help board members fill theirs out. The reports open March 15 and must be completed by April 15.
- Student Investment Program: Doug wanted to discuss this and he is not present. We will table until the March meeting.
- Susan O’Crowley’s emergency substitute license has been approved. All paperwork has been received and is in her file.
- 2024-25 School Calendar was presented. We can adopt at the next board meeting if it looks good with everyone.

NEW BUSINESS

- Crystal Hussey presented the SIA mid-year budgeting report and upcoming activities (attached). She asked the board to prioritize a list of health & safety projects. Also to get an estimate of these expenses for health and safety projects to ESD for their review. Ideas we have are: New doors, the add on to the gym entry, outdoor lighting, surveillance cameras for parking lot.
- Tim and Susan would like to use the old Mic System for the upcoming team branding February 19. If the system works at their facility they may be interested in buying the system. Annette will put the old mic system up for bid within the community.
- Local Service Plan: Willy made the motion to approve the 2024-2025 Local Service Plan and to choose contracted services of Administrative services \$4500, Erate Consortium and Technology Contract. Tim seconded. AIF.
- Frenchglen RFP- would like to use the gym for fire training April 19 (9:00-4:00) April 20 (9:00-12:00) The board approved this usage of the gym.
- Budget items for 2024-25- start working on items we want in the budget.

- Solar Battery Charger if/when we get the school van.
- Volleyball net- stand up
- Shorty Junior Roping dummy
- Desks/tables for upcoming students

HANDOUTS.....Board signature

- The Budget to Actual report was presented to the board for signature.
- The US Bank & LGIP statements were presented to the chairman to open and approve with signature.
- The Vendor expense report was presented to the chairman for approval and signature.

Next Meeting – March 11, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the meeting was adjourned 6:.50 p.m.

Minutes are subject to approval.

Annette Carson, clerk