

SANTIAM CANYON SCHOOL DISTRICT 129J

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

April 14, 2021 5:30 pm

Santiam Elementary

The Board of Directors of the Santiam Canyon School District 129J, Linn and Marion counties, met with Todd Miller, in attendance was Jamey Fawcett, Rich Moore, Jeremy Tinney & Alicia Boyd on April 14, 2021. Angie Fencel was absent.

1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: Jamey Fawcett called the board meeting to order at 5:35 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2.0 Open Board Meeting and Budget Hearing: Jamey Fawcett called the Budget Hearing to order at 5:37 pm.

3.0 Approval and/or Changes to the Agenda: Remove 12.0, Executive Session.

4.0 Consideration of Supplemental Budget for Fiscal Year 2020.21:

Todd Miller shared that the \$15M changes that are reflected in Resolution 20.21.04 are due to the following: he explained that increased enrollment in ORCA had a significant impact in the General Fund along with unemployment and a facilities donation. He explained the increase in the Special Funds was due to receiving various grants, including Linn Co, CTE and ESSER, resulting in a change and increase. Finally, he stated that the debt service increase was due to the ODE Loan for the wildfire remediation, and the increase in the capital projects fund was due to receiving additional OSCIM grant monies.

4.1 Open for Public Comment: None

4.2 Resolution 20.21.04, Adopting a Supplemental Budget for Fiscal Year 2020.21; Jeremy made a motion to approve Supplemental Budget Resolution 20.21.04, Rich Moore seconded, it passed 4-0.

5.0 Motion to Adjourn: Jamey Fawcett made a motion to adjourn the budget hearing, and Jeremy Tinney seconded, the motion passed 4-0.

Jamey Fawcett brought the regular meeting to order at 5:44 pm.

6.0 Public Comment/Audience Inquires: None

7.0 Oral Reports

7.1. Angela Rasmussen – In addition to her report, Angela shared that enrollment has gone up, she believes that now that we're open for in-person learning, families are getting comfortable sending kids back to school. April 12th, we opened for a longer school day and now end the day at 1:45pm. She stated that she has addressed questions about why we're not going back to the full day, and explained that it's necessary because teachers are teaching their full four periods and that prep time has to be at the end of the day. She said that at least 80% of the kids are back to "in-person" instruction. They were able to move Music class indoors. Sports are happening, Season 2 (Fall Sports) went well. We are moving into Season 3 (Spring Sports) and have a good amount of kids, and they will end with Season 1, (Winter Sports). We have hired a Culinary Teacher. They have interviewed for the Activities Director position but are moving forward with offering the responsibilities to a current staff member and will pay them a stipend. The Assistant Principal position is still in the works.

7.2. Margo Williams – In addition to her report, Margo shared that enrollment is increasing, but they will be losing some too. Currently they are at 238 as of today. The last enrollment period increased "in person" instruction to 198 students. We are expecting a large kindergarten class. Ms. Longfellow will be moving into the reading specialist position and they have recruited a 2nd grade teacher. Margo shared that so far the school has remained healthy (since we've been open to in person instruction), we've only had 3 student cases of Covid and 2 cases within the staff and those cases were contained.

7.3. Todd Miller – Todd shared that ORCAs enrollment is lower because kids are going back to in-person instruction and also other districts are running their own on-line schools. It's possible this could be an ongoing trend and that enrollment could be even lower next school year.

Regarding, state testing, “opt out” forms have been sent to parents. He met today with OSAA council about the Culver football game. He shared that the conversation went well, but he doesn’t know how the final decision will play out. He’s been working on next year’s budget and trying to figure out how to best use the new grants coming down the pike. We are in the middle of hiring for the Elementary Principal as well as the Assistant Principal at the Jr./Sr. High School. We just got thru the 2nd rounds of interviews. The interview panels will be meeting again tomorrow to narrow down the decision.

He shared a Facilities Revenue sheet representing \$4.6M. Since we received the \$2.9M and our District Funds that were allocated to the Bond of \$2.5M. With regard to the new funds that are coming from the feds, we believe improving the SES HVAC system align with grant criteria. If we can do all these projects, we may need to only contribute \$900K, instead of the \$2.5M that the district had originally planned to contribute.

Jeremy asked about getting the additional two lanes added to the track. Jamey shared that there is a lot involved with that project, but it’s doable. Todd said that project could be slated with regular facility funds in the future. With this extra facilities allotment, Todd shared that he is considering solar panels and a parking lot. Jamey shared that it really is incredible that we are in such a great position.

7.4. Yvonne Hanna - Yvonne shared the March 2021 financial report.

8.0 Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Jeremy Tinney to accept the consent agenda including the minutes of the March 10, 2021 regular board meeting, as well as the March expenditures; Rich Moore seconded, the motion passed 4-0.

9.0 Action Items:

9.1. Accept Resignation from Margo Williams, Principal @ SES. Jamey Fawcett made a motion to accept the resignation, Alicia Boyd seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

9.2. Accept Resignation from Abigail Darby, 4th Grade Teacher @ SES, Jamey Fawcett made a motion to accept the resignation, Alicia Boyd seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

9.3. Accept Recommendation to Hire Hailee Fernald, 2nd Grade Teacher for 2021-2022 School Year at SES. Jeremy Tinney made a motion to accept the recommendation to hire, Rich Moore seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

9.4. Accept Recommendation to Hire Alicia Boyd, Culinary Arts Teacher for 2021-2022 School Year at SHSHS. Rich Moore made a motion to accept the recommendation to hire, Jeremy Tinney seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Alicia Boyd abstained.

9.5. Accept Resignation from Alicia Boyd as School Board Member, Zone 2, Position 1. Jamey Fawcett made a motion to accept the resignation, Jeremy Tinney seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

9.6. Accept the Recommendation to Hire Spring Coaches

- 9.6.1. Zac Steele, HS Head Baseball Coach
- 9.6.2. Brett Katlong, HS Assistant Baseball Coach
- 9.6.3. Pat Rahm, HS Assistant Baseball Coach
- 9.6.4. Amber Tinney, HS Girl’s Track Coach
- 9.6.5. John Stingle, HS Boy’s Track Coach
- 9.6.6. James Hill, HS Assistant Track Coach
- 9.6.7. Tony Sturman, HS Assistant Track Coach
- 9.6.8. Greg Grenbemer, HS Softball Coach
- 9.6.9. Clint Forste, HS Assistant Softball Coach
- 9.6.10. Chris Lindemann, HS Assistant Softball Coach
- 9.6.11. Maddie Wilson, HS Assistant Softball Coach
- 9.6.12. Andrew Grenbemer, MS Baseball Coach
- 9.6.13. Kelsey Clark, MS Softball Coach
- 9.6.14. Jennifer Dodge, MS Softball Coach
- 9.6.15. Brenda Peterson, MS Track Coach
- 9.6.16. Lisa Best, MS Track Coach
- 9.6.17. Amber Jungwirth, MS Track Coach

Rich Moore made a motion to accept the recommendation to hire spring coaches listed from 9.6.1 through 9.6.17, Jeremy Tinney seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

9.7. Appoint Budget Committee Members, Jamey Fawcett made a motion to accept the appointment of listed budget committee members, Rich Moore seconded the motion, it passed 3-0.

10.0 Information Items

10.1. Construction Update, Todd shared that the buildings are 99% done. The focus is on the auxiliary gym, and it is progressing quickly. The schedule says they will be done in August, but they might be done earlier. Other outside projects are getting done in the middle of the campus. We have the final occupancy certificate for the SES cafeteria. Todd shared that he realizes that people are interested in an Open House to see the new construction, but it would be best if the gym is complete and school is not in session. He said maybe next fall, when the gym is done and before school starts.

10.2. Budget Committee Open Position/s. Todd shared that he is looking for two people to serve on the budget committee.

11.0 Items for the Next Meeting

11.1. Next Regular Meeting Date: May 12, 5:30 p.m. at Santiam Elementary

12.0 Rich Moore moved to adjourn, Jamey Fawcett seconded the motion, and the motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:38p.m.

Board Chairman

Board Secretary