

SANTIAM CANYON SCHOOL DISTRICT 129J

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Santiam Canyon School District Office

November 9, 2022 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 & Mary Schenk, with Jeremy Tinney via phone on November 9, 2022.

- 1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: Jamey Fawcett called the board meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2.0 Approval and/or Changes to the Agenda: Add 6.5, Overnight trip to Sunriver for the Boys Varsity Basketball team, Nov. 19-21. Add 6.6, Overnight trip for Boys Basketball to play Western McKewen. Add 6.7, Hire Night Time Custodian at the Jr./Sr. High School. Add Executive Session to discuss Real Estate. Remove Executive Session agenda item to discuss Superintendent Evaluation.
- 3.0 Public Comment/Audience Inquires: None
- 4.0 Oral Reports:
 - 4.1 Allison Galvin, Oregon Charter Academy - Allison Galvin shared that we had a bump in enrollment, we are currently at 2116. We are trying to serve as many kids as we can, so we are working on growing our reach. We are reaching out to districts to offer online classes. Another thing we are working on is providing Science courses to SJSHS for Middle School. Our student clubs opened in October. We have 420 Elementary, 373 MS and 330 HS participating in clubs. Our kids are engaging more than they ever have. Todd asked about legislative concerns. We have 3 bills coming forward. (1) to remove cap completely, (2) change the process with ODE, so that parents are communicated with, and know what they need to do in the enrollment process, (3) trying to get SIA funds for Virtual Charter Schools, since SIA is all about student improvement.
 - 4.2 Angela Rasmussen, Jr./Sr. High School Principal - In addition to her written report, she shared that 314 is their current enrollment. Just finished the High School Success budget change, we received our year 2 allocation, and had carryover from last year. We had saved money in staff benefits due to staff that do not take our benefits. We are trying to be extremely accurate for this year, because there is no carryover. There is close to \$199K allocated for this year, along with funding the Culinary Teacher as well as the Construction Assistant. We are adding licensing fees, culinary consumables, and additional shop equipment. They will also be able to add a Student Support Assistant to help with Friday school. They are planning to help for 2 hours for middle school students, then provide pizza for lunch and meet with the high school students for 2 hours. We are also putting some budget into our reward system which incentivizes students. For our College Level Educational Opportunities we will pay our stipends and substitutes out of these funds. As Alison mentioned, we are utilizing ORCA for MS Science; we partnered with ORCA's science teacher who is supplying the curriculum and then we are adding some additional activities to fill in the time. Angela reported that the nine week grade comparison shows improvement; last year at this time we had 84 students with F's, this year we have 52 students with F's. Last year we had a total number of F's at 179, this year we have a total of 93 F's. It is encouraging to see this trend in reducing the number of students that have F's and failing classes.
 - 4.3 Corrine McGinnis, Santiam Elementary Principal - In addition to her written report Corrine shared that enrollment is holding steady. We haven't had a lot of major referrals in the building. Overall, behavior issues are down considerably. Our Halloween Party was on Monday. The staff dressed up as characters from the Minion Movie, and the kids loved their costumes. Recently, Corinne sat in on a Literacy PLC, and it was fun to talk about kids and educational growth. Staff are tracking data every 2 weeks, so we see the growth and are celebrating success. We are striving to maintain the energy and enthusiasm. Corrine shared that the Educational Leadership Group walked through the Lebanon school, and that next Tuesday, our school will host a similar opportunity for the group. There are approximately 12 observers, they will look at the Reading whole group instruction and then the 12 observers will share what they observed from a student perspective. She said that she appreciates the accountability this practice lends and what we can learn from it. In most cases, the group will just have 3 adults at a time, so it won't be overwhelming. This observation will take place for the K-3rd grades. Corrine said that Lindsay has put out the schedule of events up thru December.
 - 4.4 Todd Miller, Superintendent - Todd shared that at a Superintendent meeting this week, he learned that the state is still down 25K-30K students since the pandemic. He received word today from the City regarding the Safe Routes to School Grant; there was an update on their website. It looks like we may be a recipient, but we are not completely sure. This

will be about a \$2M grant for sidewalk improvements on Cedar, 3rd, 4th, and Evergreen to the District Office. That would take care of the sidewalks that would be outside the new shop.

Recently we got notification that removed us from Comprehensive/Targeted School, which means that we are meeting the standards. We have been exited. There was grant \$ associated with that, and will no longer receive those funds after this year. It's a good sign to know that when reading the indicators, they took scores from the last time we were scored in 18-19, and then compared to this year's average scores and then compared to other schools around the state. Our kids are coming in at level 4 or 5. This is good news, since a majority of the kids in the Jr./Sr. High have opted out of the testing.

As far as the data points, the State equates Opt Outs are considered Not Passed. Angela shared that Graduation rate is based on diploma. Those kids that opted to "home school" do not have enough credits to graduate. Angela looked into getting a couple students into Chemeketa's GED programs. Our district will need to sponsor them, and the students can get a GED, but our school gets a ding, because they will be considered a drop out, those students will qualify for our 5 year grad rate. Jamey shared that it's the right thing to do for those kids even though we get dinged for it. In ORCA's situation 90% that were at the school for the entire year graduated with a diploma. However, 73% of their NON graduates enter ORCA in the middle of their school career and are entering already credit deficient. We make the best choice for the kids to give them a chance. ORCA could change enrollment practices, but they don't because they are trying to do the best for kids.

Integrated Guidance, a method of aligning grant programs, including HSS, SIA, Continuous Improvement Plans, Career & Tech Education, Every Day Matters, and Early Indicator. They are taking all of these and incorporating it into a tracking system. We will be reaching out to our community to get meaningful feedback to report accordingly. We are doing good things with this money, and will continue to bring information to the meetings so the board will be well informed. The spreadsheets are somewhat daunting, but we are reporting some good stuff.

4.5. Yvonne Hanna shared the October Financial Statements.

5.0 Consent Agenda:

- 5.1. Minutes of the October 12, 2022 Regular Board Meeting
- 5.2. October Expenditures Report
- 5.3. Second Reading of Policies
 - 5.3.1. EFA – Local Wellness Program
 - 5.3.2. EFA-AR – Local Wellness Program - Delete
 - 5.3.3. GBEA – Workplace Harassment
 - 5.3.4. GCDA/GDDA-AR – Criminal Records Checks and Fingerprinting
 - 5.3.5. IGDJ – Interscholastic Activities

Jamey Fawcett made a motion to accept the consent agenda, Mary Schenk seconded, and the motion passed 3-0.

6.0 Action Items:

- 6.1. Resolution 22.23.01, Adopts Proposed OSBA Legislative Priorities and Principals, there was no motion made by the Board.
- 6.2. Vote for OSBA Board of Directors Position 10; Jamey Fawcett made a motion to abstain, Mary Schenk seconded and the motion passed 3-0.
- 6.3. Approve the Resignation of Jennifer Dodge, SJSHS Science Teacher; Jamey Fawcett made a motion to approve the resignation of Jennifer Dodge, Mary Schenk seconded, the motion passed 3-0.
- 6.4. Approval of Winter Coaches
 - 6.4.1. Head Boys Varsity Coach: JD Hill
 - 6.4.2. Head Boys JV Coach: Zac Steele
 - 6.4.3. Asst. Boys Coach: Julian Downey
 - 6.4.4. Head Girls Varsity Coach: Hannah Thompson
 - 6.4.5. Girls JV Coach: Greg Grenbemer
 - 6.4.6. Girls Asst. Coach: Clint Forste and Amber Tinney
 - 6.4.7. HS Wrestling Head Coach: Kerry Crowston
 - 6.4.8. Wrestling Asst. Coach: Trey Summers
 - 6.4.9. MS Girls Basketball: Amber Jungwirth and Kelsey Clark
 - 6.4.10. MS Wrestling: Joe Davidson, Brett Katlong, Cody Tompkins
 - 6.4.11. MS Boys Basketball: Spike Aerni and Randall KlaggeJamey Fawcett made a motion to approve the hiring of winter coaches 6.4.1 through 6.4.11, Mary Schenk seconded, the motion passed 3-0.

6.5 Approval of overnight trip to Sunriver for Boys Varsity Basketball Team; Jamey Fawcett made a motion to approve the overnight team building trip, Mary Schenk seconded, the motion passed 3-0.

- 6.6 Approval of overnight trip to Western McKewen for Boys Varsity Basketball Team; Jamey Fawcett made a motion to approve the overnight trip, with no second, motion failed.
- 6.7 Approval to Hire Night Time Custodian, Mireya Lopez; Jamey Fawcett made a motion to approve the hiring of Mireya Lopez for Night Time Custodian, Mary Schenk seconded, the motion passed 3-0.

7.0 Information Item:

- 7.1. Todd shared that the Student Investment Act (SIA) was funded in 2019, and created opportunities to fund NEW programs in schools. He shared a spreadsheet that includes all the new activities and programs that we implemented. (see spreadsheet entitled Santiam Canyon School District – SIA Final Report for 2021-22).
There has been a lot of collaboration and input given to develop this roll out of programs, we are using the money the way it was intended. Todd shared that it's important to bring the joy of learning back into education, and now it's hard to imagine not offering these programs that SIA has funded.

8.0 Items for next Meeting/s:

Jamey shared that the next regular meeting date would be December 14, 2022, 5:30 p.m. at Santiam Elementary.

Jamey closed the regular meeting for Executive session at 6:51 p.m.

Group came back into regular session at 7:09 p.m.

9.0 Motion to Adjourn:

Jeremy Tinney moved to adjourn, Jamey Fawcett seconded, and the motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Board Chairman

Board Secretary