

SANTIAM CANYON SCHOOL DISTRICT 129J

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Santiam Canyon School District Office

December 14, 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 were Mary Schenk, Jeremy Tinney and Jamey Fawcett via phone on December 14, 2022.

- 1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: Jeremy Tinney called the board meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2.0 Approval and/or Changes to the Agenda: Add 6.4, Overnight trip for the Boys & Girls Varsity Basketball team, Dec. 28-30 to Newport. 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 was not present; Todd shared that ORCA's numbers are going up. As we have seen in the past, many times if children don't have a good start with traditional school, this is the time they start moving to on-line options. STEM teacher, Shawn Higgins was recently announced as a national Fulbright Scholar. ORCA continues to work with other districts to see how ORCA may help with additional programming.
 - 4.2 Angela Rasmussen, Jr./Sr. High School Principal - In addition to her written report she shared that enrollment in December 2021 was at 295; we are up 16 students as of December 2022. This evening there is a wrestling meet as well as a band program; it's a busy time of year. A couple weeks ago Mr. Bennett took the 7th graders on a tour of OSU, it was a successful experience. The CTE building on the North side of Cedar Ave. that the students are building is coming along well. There has been significant donations of cash and materials from community members. We are still down one staff member but long-term substitute, Mr. Summers, has committed until the end of the semester.
 - 4.3 Corrine McGinnis, Santiam Elementary Principal - In addition to her written report Corrine shared that SES enrollment is going up as well, especially in the 1st & 4th grades. We've had low attendance lately due to illness. We hosted a CEL walk through for staff from 2 schools and ESD staff. They observed our reading program. The principal at Scio was very interested in our literacy program, and wants to implement a programming change in their school. Corrine shared that the staff really doesn't get enough recognition for the changes that they have made; it is impressive what their efforts have resulted in. Our Fall data is as follows: DESA (Social Emotional rating), the first line shows how our kids scored. Only 9 percent fell in the "Needs Instruction" zone. More good news, our referrals are way down. Literacy is a hard skill to work on, due to it being multifaceted. Our goal is to bring the 13% high risk down to 10%. We are hoping to get kids in the green zone. In Math we are targeting yellow zone. We had great turnout for parent teacher conferences. 201 out of 253 attended, resulting in 80% attendance. The PTO raised over \$7,000 with their pie sales. We continue to hold our Tiger Celebration once a month where we award "Tiger Awards & Student of the Month". Our first music program was held on Dec. 8th with Mr. Rodas. The 4th grade class was especially impressive with their multiple parts and harmonizing. They were invited to sing with the Community Chorus on Dec. 11th at Stewart Hall.
 - 4.4 Todd Miller, Superintendent - Todd shared that at the Jr./Sr. High School students have been asked to take a survey. We worked with Inflexion to come up with questions for the students. These questions will check to see how they feel about school, the school culture, a sense of belonging, etc. It is valuable information and we can also use the data for many of our grant reporting. We are starting up Friday school at the beginning of the year to help kids that are falling behind. We are looking for someone to drive the activity bus up to Detroit. Our Administrators have been logistical gurus lately, covering staff that have been out sick. The new building for CTE is coming along. We received \$125K in CTE grant money, and there has also been a lot of donations to outfit the building. Once the CTE building is complete, the current pole building will become the Auto Shop building with a grant of \$75K. The Neimeyer Foundation is the donor, and Mr. Neimeyer is excited about this grant due to how we handled the Preschool, to which they were also donors. Alex Nalivaiko, Special Education Director, will be leaving Friday, December 16th. We've been having meetings to discuss and plan for the transition, and spread out the responsibilities. The duties have been divided out between Todd, Angela, Corrine, Blane, Alisha, and AJ. 'm confident that all will work out.

Jeremy asked about the housing development going in on the highway. Todd has talked to Dave Kinney and school capacity does not come into play with decisions as to approve or not. Jeremy said he's concerned about fire, safety and the impact this will have on our community.

4.5 Yvonne Hanna shared the November Financial Statements.

5.0 Consent Agenda:

- 5.1. Minutes of the November 9, 2022 Regular Board Meeting
- 5.2. November Expenditures Report
- 5.3. Second Reading of Policies
 - 5.3.1. IGBAF – Special Education – Individualized Education Program (IEP)
 - 5.3.2. IKF – Graduation Requirements
 - 5.3.3. JGAB – Use of Restraint or Seclusion

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

6.0 Action Items:

- 6.1. Accept the resignation of Alex Nalivaiko, Special Education Director; Jeremy made a motion to accept the resignation, Mary Schenk seconded; the motion passed 3-0.
- 6.2. Accept the recommendation to hire Chris Lindemann, Boys JV2 Basketball Coach
- 6.3. Accept the recommendation to hire Jon Pennick, MS Wrestling Coach

Jeremy made a motion to accept the resignation of Alex Nalivaiko and the recommendation to hire coaches listed in 6.2 & 6.3, Mary Schenk seconded; the motion passed 3-0.

- 6.4. Approve overnight trip for girls & boys varsity basketball teams, Dec. 28 – 30th to Newport for one night, all depending on time and where they fall on the tournament schedule. Jamey Fawcett made a motion to approve the overnight trip, Mary Schenk seconded; the motion passed 3-0.

7.0 Information Item:

- 7.1. First Reading of Policies
 - 7.1.1. IGBB – Talented and Gifted Program and/or Services
 - 7.1.2. IGBBA – Talented and Gifted Students – Identification
 - 7.1.3. IGBBC – Talented and Gifted Program and/or Services – Delete
 - 7.1.4. IGBBC-AR – Complaints Regarding Talented and Gifted Program and/or Services – Delete
 - 7.1.5. JEA – Compulsory Attendance
 - 7.1.6. JEA-AR – Compulsory Attendance Notices and Citations.

8.0 Items for next Meeting/s:

- 8.1. Jeremy Tinney shared that the next regular meeting date would be January 11, 2023, 5:30 p.m. at Santiam Elementary.

9.0 Motion to Adjourn:

Mary Schenk moved to adjourn, Jeremy Tinney seconded, and the motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Board Chairman

Board Secretary