

SANTIAM CANYON SCHOOL DISTRICT 129J

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Santiam Canyon School District Office

February 12, 2025, 6:00 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 Angie Fencl, Mary Richards, Elizabeth Reeser, Josh Childress and Lynda Harrington.

- 1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: Angie Fencl called the board meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2.0 Approval and/or Changes to the Agenda: Move 6.2 to Informational Items, 7.5.
- 3.0 Public Comment/Audience Inquires: None
- 4.0 Oral Reports:
 - 4.1 Alison Galvin, Oregon Charter Academy Director – Reviewed her written report and shared that enrollment is at 2,850 as of 2-12-24.
 - 4.2 Blane Lazar, Jr./Sr. High School Principal - Blane shared that graduation data is 94.4%, and the best in 17 years. Enrollment is currently at 308. Jordan Young is our employee focus for the month. She has found her passion, she works in our Life Skills class and is such a great young leader. She coaches softball and we are so happy to have Jordan. Mark your calendars: Home basketball game tomorrow night. The scholarship auction is coming up on March 14th. Doernbecher week is coming up and the students have increased their goal to \$8K this year. CTE Updates include; the Band will be performing at basketball games and at Rock Band Days. They will also compete in the OSAA competition in April. The Construction class is currently working on getting projects completed that involve “storage, fountains, landscaping, etc. The Culinary classes will be getting additional storage space, will be starting a greenhouse project and will be receiving a new freeze drier and 3D food printer. The Sports Medicine class is looking forward to grants coming in. The Anatomy & Physiology class will now receive college credit through OIT. Lynda Harrington inquired about Jordan Young’s position as the Life Skills teacher and asked questions about the life skills students and the program. Todd Miller responded and explained the program in more detail.
 - 4.3 Alisha Hansen, Santiam Elementary Principal – Alisha shared that they’re at the half year mark and shared data on attendance, math and reading. She then shared Behavioral Data based on year to year totals. Alisha said there are 3 categories, you start seeing a bell curve if you follow each grade throughout the years. Lynda Harrington asked if the school is required to track this stuff, Alisha said no, Todd shared that the district tracks as part of the strategic plan to see trends, address the issues, in hopes to influence improvement.
 - 4.4 Todd Miller, Superintendent – Todd shared that three board members need to be prepped to run for a position on the May ballot; the following members positions are up for reelection: Angie Fencl, Lynda Harrington, and Josh Childress. He explained that only two of these positions are at large positions. Josh Childress is currently assigned to the upper canyon and if someone else runs that lives in the designated zone, he could be displaced. In the past, we have tried to get participation from the upper canyon but have not had any luck. Todd will look to see if we can change that board position to an “At Large” position.

Softball dugouts are being re-constructed and will be completed by softball season. Property update, an asbestos crew was out and asbestos has been removed. During an inspection another area was identified and needs to be tested; that has caused some delays. Once all work is done you’ll start seeing some changes on the property. He discussed legislative talks and funding in both State, Federal, and Wildfire \$. A Fire Marshall inspection occurred last week, we have a list of small things we need to rectify to comply. Pacific Power has contacted Todd and said that they will start prepping the Osprey nest platform next week. Todd shared that he’s been diving into the “Great Schools Rating” and discussed where the data is drawn from and disputes the data as questionable and ambiguous.
 - 4.5 Yvonne Hanna, Business Manager, shared the January 31, 2025 financials.

- 5.0 Consent Agenda:
 - 5.1 Minutes of the January 8, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.
 - 5.2 January Expenditures Report

Angie Fencl made a motion to accept the consent agenda, Lynda Harrington seconded; the motion passed 5-0.

- 6.0 Action Items:
 - 6.1 Accept Budget Calendar; Lynda Harrington made a motion to accept the 25/26 budget calendar, Angie Fencl seconded; the motion passed 5-0.

- 7.0 Information Items:
 - 7.1 Strategic Plan Data Update
 - 7.2 Budget Committee Members for 2024
 - 7.3 Weighted/Unweighted Grades Discussion
 - 7.4 First Reading of Policies
 - 7.4.1 IKF – Graduation Requirements
 - 7.4.2 JHCD/JHCDA – Medications (Delete)
 - 7.4.3 JHCD/JHCDA-AR – Medications (Delete)
 - 7.4.4 JHCD – Medications
 - 7.4.5 JHCD-AR – Medications
 - 7.5 Consider moving forward with concepts for covered bleachers at football field

- 8.0 Items for the Next Meeting/s:
 - 8.1 A/P Classes
 - 8.2 Next Regular Meeting Date: March 12, 2025 6:00 pm. at Santiam Elementary

- 9.0 Motion to Adjourn: Lynda Harrington moved to adjourn, Angie Fencl seconded, and the motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Board Chairman

Board Secretary