

# **SANTIAM CANYON SCHOOL DISTRICT 129J**

## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Santiam Canyon School District Office

March 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 Fencel, Elizabeth Reeser, Josh Childress and Lynda Harrington.

- 1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: Angie Fencel 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: Add 6.2.1 Accept the Resignation of Julian Downey, 6.2.2 Accept the Resignation of Sarah Reyes, MS Math Teacher & 6.2.3 Accept the Resignation of David Erickson, Elementary Music Teacher, Add 6.4 approve the adoption of Health curriculum.
- 3.0 Public Comment/Audience Inquires: None
- 4.0 Oral Reports:
  - 4.1 Alison Galvin, Oregon Charter Academy Director – Was not in attendance. See report.
  - 4.2 Blane Lazar, Jr./Sr. High School Principal - Blane introduced a Junior student. Student shared their extensive high school resume. Blane and student shared the Doernbecher events of the Week. Enrollment is the same, but there was a lot of movement in and out for the school. Classified Appreciation Week went really well, we did a lot to honor them. Amber Jungwirth is our employee of the month. Blane shared the upcoming calendar of events. Wolverine highlights (see report), we hosted Kennedy for a mini leadership conference, this is the second year hosting another school. In the sports corner, we had 3 boys go to state in wrestling. In basketball, the season ended with at 14-10 record for the girls and a 16-10 record for the boys. Spring sports are now underway. Blane shared that the Aspire program has served as a great framework for our counseling center and is a help to connect students with future job options and continued educational opportunities.
  - 4.3 Alisha Hansen, Santiam Elementary Principal - Alisha shared that even though SES enrollment is the same number as last year, they are up 40 kids, this number demonstrates the movement of students coming in and out of our district. She shared activities from Read Across America. The cartoonist Aron Steinke came to visit the school and the kids loved him. He created a sketch in real time and all the kids got a copy. Alisha shared DESSA scores, a social and emotional competence rating, and explained that homeroom teachers rate the students within the DESSA system and then the behavioral specialist and counselor follow up on individually assessing each student.
  - 4.4 Todd Miller, Superintendent - Todd shared that we have 4 out of 5 board member's positions up for reelection in May. He reminded the board to take the mandatory training currently being offered by OSBA. He shared that the Osprey platform is going in this week. A big thank you to Pacific Power for the installation of the pole, platform and labor as well as Frances McGuire for a generous donation for the live streaming camera. The newly purchased property is coming along, deconstruction of the buildings and shelters is underway. The final Wildfire funding will be coming in, but the extension of this funding does not look promising and was taken off the Legislative hearing agenda. Bargaining started with a meeting on Monday, March 10th. In the initial meeting we went through some language and are waiting to be given the economic portion of the contract. State grants have seen a slight increase but federal grants are staying stagnant at this time. Angela shared that with regard to SPED funding, we are close to 20% and currently there is a funding cap at 11%. The lobbyists are trying to educate the legislatures and working to get the cap raised. The board discussed some of the changes we've seen in our student population, emotional behavior and autism is much more understood and identified as such, than in the past. They agreed that COVID, technology and social media has also had an impact on students.
  - 4.5 Yvonne Hanna, Business Manager, shared the February 28, 2025 financials.
- 5.0 Consent Agenda:
  - 5.1 Minutes of the February 12, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.
  - 5.2 February Expenditures Report

Angie Fencel made a motion to accept the consent agenda, Lynda Harrington seconded; the motion passed 4-0.

6.0 Action Items:

- 6.1 Approve the Renewal and Non-Renewal of Licensed Staff
- 6.2 Accept the Resignation of Julian Downey
- 6.3 Accept Recommendation to Hire Spring Coaches
  - 6.3.1 Clint Forste - HS Head Baseball Coach
  - 6.3.2 Dan Cunderman – HS Baseball Assistant Coach
  - 6.3.3 Chris Lindemann – HS Baseball Assistant Coach
  - 6.3.4 Jesse Sendlinger – HS Baseball Assistant Coach – Volunteer
  - 6.3.5 Tyson Childress – HS Baseball Assistant Coach – Volunteer
  - 6.3.6 Greg Grenbemer – HS Softball Head Coach
  - 6.3.7 Jordan Young – HS Softball Assistant Coach
  - 6.3.8 Doug Cole – HS Softball Assistant Coach
  - 6.3.9 Ruthie Flores – HS Softball Assistant Coach – Volunteer
  - 6.3.10 Brenda Peterson – HS Track Head Coach
  - 6.3.11 Ken Frederick – HS Track Assistant Coach
  - 6.3.12 Tony Sturman - HS Track Assistant Coach
  - 6.3.13 Robert Young – MS Baseball Coach
  - 6.3.14 Kris Sims – MS Baseball Coach
  - 6.3.15 McKenzie Dodge – MS Softball Coach
  - 6.3.16 Alison DeRenzo – MS Softball Coach
  - 6.3.17 Don Taylor – MS Track Coach
  - 6.3.18 Jon Hart – MS Track Coach
  - 6.3.19 Kayla Budlong – MS Track Coach

Angie Fencel made a motion to accept the recommendation to hire spring coaches, Lynda Harrington seconded; the motion passed 4-0.

- 6.4 Accept the recommendation of Health curriculum at the Jr./Sr. High School; Lynda Harrington made a motion to adopt the Health curriculum, Angie Fencel seconded; the motion passed 4-0.

7.0 Information Items:

- 7.1 SIA Information Gathering and Update
- 7.2 Discussion on Advanced Courses - AP and Dual Credit Options
- 7.3 Safe Routes to School Project Update

8.0 Items for the Next Meeting/s:

Next Regular Meeting Date: April 9, 6:00 p.m. at Santiam Elementary

- 9.0 Motion to Adjourn: Angie Fencel moved to adjourn, Elizabeth Reeser seconded; the motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

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Board Chairman

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Board Secretary