

Board of Directors Meeting
School District 4J, Lane County
200 North Monroe Street
Wednesday, October 21, 2009

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: George Russell
Superintendent of Schools

RE: Reports and Recommendations

6:00 p.m. BOARD WORK SESSION

Conduct a Work Session on Civic Stadium

The board will conduct a work session regarding the Civic Stadium property. Staff will provide a brief historical overview and present information on the property relevant to value, revenue, costs, and projected needs. Sue and Hugh Prichard of Prichard Partners Inc. will provide the board with a variety of potential disposition options for discussion purposes. This work session is intended to provide a forum for informal discussion without formal action, so that the board may indicate where additional information may be required and which options, if any, there is a desire to have staff further explore.

7:30 p.m. REGULAR BOARD MEETING

VII. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. **Receive an Update on the Yujin Gakuen Traffic Issues** (Staff: Allan Chinn and Jon Lauch)

Staff will provide an update on the traffic issues at Yujin Gakuen and measures in place or in process to improve/mitigate safety hazards for students.

VIII. CONSENT GROUP - ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. **Approve the Purchase of School Buses** (Staff: Phil Scrima)

On June 21, 2006, the board approved a one year contract with an opportunity for four annual extensions with Western Bus Sales, Inc. for the purchase of school buses. The contract is currently in its fourth year.

Five (5) wheelchair equipped, special needs buses are due to be replaced this year. All buses are past the standard ten year replacement schedule and have high mileage, which increases repair costs and down time. The price for each bus is \$112,494 with a total purchase price of \$562,470. The net cost to the district is expected to be less with the trade-in of the retired buses, which will be dependent upon fleet needs at the time of new bus arrivals. Accumulated Fleet funds will be used to fund the purchase.

The superintendent recommends purchasing five (5) forty-two passenger buses from Western Bus Sales, Inc., totaling \$562,470.

2. Approve Board Meeting Minutes

The superintendent recommends approval of the minutes from the September 2 and September 16, 2009 regular board meetings. Copies of the minutes are included in the board packet.

3. Approve Personnel Items (Staff: Celia Feres-Johnson)

The superintendent recommends approval of the personnel items included in the board packet. These cover employment, resignations, and other routine personnel matters. The board may adjourn to executive session for matters dealing with employment if it desires to do so. ORS 192.660 (2) (a).

IX. ITEMS FOR ACTION AT THIS MEETING

1. Adopt the 2009-10 and 2010-11 Superintendent's Goal Statement and Establish the Criteria for the 2009-10 Annual Evaluation

The contract between the superintendent and the board states that the board will evaluate the superintendent at least once each year based on the goals and objectives agreed upon by the board and the superintendent, and the terms of their contract. ORS 192.660 (2) (i) requires and School Board Policy CBB states that the standard criteria and policy directives to be used in evaluating the superintendent shall have been adopted by the board in meetings open to the public no later than January each year.

I propose that the criteria to be used in my annual evaluation consist of our agreed upon goals, the contract between the superintendent and the board, the position description contained in School Board Policy CBA, and a Self-Evaluation Feedback form. A draft copy of my proposed two-year goal statements, which are based upon your annual agenda and board goals are included in the board packet. An initial draft was reviewed at the October 7 board meeting. Based upon subsequent review by superintendent's staff, there is one revision, which is an extension of the time line for the following superintendent goal:

Assess the resources needed to support elementary, middle and high school students who are not on track to graduate, and develop a proposal for Budget Committee consideration in February 2011 for implementation in 2011-12. (See page 1 – Student Achievement Key Result #2).

2. Approve Revisions to Board Policy LBE, Public Charter Schools (Staff: KC Clark)

Since the last update to board policy on charter schools in 2005, several minor changes have been made to charter school law and the Oregon School Boards Association (OSBA) has published guidance on policy language. Staff recommends revising Board Policy LBE to clarify the state laws that apply to charter schools and require that charter schools maintain sound financial management systems. The latter requirement is already substantially addressed in current contracts with district-sponsored charter

schools. Additional recommended revisions include more closely aligning policy with statutory language and OSBA's sample policy, shortening the time frame for the district's charter renewal process, and correcting minor technical and formatting errors.

Changes to the law such as those placing additional requirements on virtual charter schools are not included. The Online Learning Task Force established by the 2009 Legislature is scheduled to report their findings in December 2009. There may be additional revisions in charter school law as it relates to on-line instruction in response.

Because two district-sponsored charter schools are expected to enter into the charter renewal process at the end of October, it is desirable to update board policy at this time. A copy of the proposed policy revision is included in your board packet.

X. Comments and Committee Reports by Individual Board Members

XI. Adjourn

CALENDAR FOR BOARD MEMBERS

Wednesday, October 21	Work Session Regular Board Meeting	6 pm 7:30 pm
Tuesday, October 27	Principal for a Day Lunch Ed Center Auditorium	11:30 am–1 pm
Wednesday, November 4	Regular Board Meeting	7 pm
November 12 – 15	OSBA Annual Convention in Portland	
Monday, November 16	Budget Committee Meeting	7 pm
Wednesday, November 18	Regular Board Meeting	7 pm
Wednesday, December 2	Regular Board Meeting	7 pm
Wednesday, December 16	Regular Board Meeting	7 pm
Wednesday, January 6	Regular Board Meeting	7 pm
Wednesday, January 20	Regular Board Meeting	7 pm