(A light dinner will be served)

TO:  Board of Directors

FROM:  George Russell
Superintendent of Schools

RE:  Reports and Recommendations

5:30 p.m.  WORK SESSION:  Conduct a Work Session on Career Technical Education  (Staff: Laurie Moses and Brad New)

The purpose of the work session is to provide an overview of new graduation requirements relating to Career Related Learning Standards that apply to all students and career-technical learning programs currently offered within the district. Information will also be provided about the new Regional Technical Education Consortium (RTEC) Center being constructed on the Lane Community College campus. Laurie Swanson, Dean of High School Connections at Lane Community College, will be in attendance and join the discussion.

7 p.m.  REGULAR BOARD MEETING

III.  INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Student winners of the Eugene Education Association’s Martin Luther King, Jr. contest will read their entries to the board. They will be introduced by members of the Eugene Education Association’s Minority Affairs Committee.

VII.  ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1.  Receive a Report on the 2010 Legislative Special Session  (Staff: Barb Bellamy)

The Oregon Legislature convenes in special session on February 1 for what is anticipated to be a one-month session. Staff will report on issues related to education that are expected to be considered during the special session.

2.  Receive a Report on the Results of the January 26 Special Election  (Staff: Barb Bellamy)

Oregon voters approved two tax measures on the January 26, 2010 special election ballot, supporting tax increases that were put in place by the 2009 Oregon Legislature to help balance the state budget and fund education, health care, public safety and other services. The two tax measures were approved by the Legislature but were subsequently referred to the ballot through Oregon’s referendum process.
Measure 66, a personal income tax increase on taxable income over $250,000 for households ($125,000 for single filers) was approved by a 54% YES vote statewide, with Lane County voters approving the measure by 64%. The tax increase is expected to generate $472 million in revenue during the 2009-11 biennium.

Measure 67, which raised the corporate minimum tax, increased the tax rate for some corporations, and increased certain business filing fees was approved by a 53% YES vote statewide, with Lane County voters approving the measure by nearly 64%. The tax increase is expected to generate $255 million during the 2009-11 biennium.

The revenue expected from Measure 66 and 67 is already included in the state funding allocated to schools for the 2009-10 and 2010-11 school years. Through the state school funding formula, 4J will receive approximately $8.5 million from the revenue generated by the tax measures to help support current school services.

4J and other school districts across Oregon made reductions in order to balance budgets for 2009-10. 4J drew down reserves and contingency funds, negotiated adjustments that reduced the cost of employee compensation agreements, eliminated 38 teaching positions, reduced central office administrative positions, reduced high school administrative positions, decreased high school athletics budgets, postponed purchasing new math textbooks and materials, and trimmed supply budgets to close a $21 million budget gap. The district's financial forecast for 2010-11 projects a shortfall of at least $2.3 million, despite the approval of the tax measures.

3. **Receive the District’s Annual Report on Compliance with Oregon Minimum Standards** (Staff: Carl Hermanns)

Annually, superintendents are required to report the district’s status with respect to the Standards for Public Elementary and Secondary Schools from OAR Chapter 581, Division 22. Assistant Superintendent Carl Hermanns has prepared the Annual Report on Compliance with Oregon Standards and the district is in compliance. Mr. Hermanns will present a brief overview of the report and respond to board questions. A copy of the report is included in the board packet.

4. **Receive Consultant’s Summary Report for Civic Stadium Property** (Staff: Jon Lauch and Larry Massey)

The Real Estate Consultant team has completed their analysis of the Civic Stadium property. The Consultant’s Summary Report is included in your packet. The report includes a recommendation for the district to market the property north of the 20th Avenue Right-of-Way for sale, following a zone change to R-2 (medium density residential), and to market the stadium property using a Request for Proposal (RFP) process. Pros and cons are listed in the report for various alternative options. The Consultant team will be available at the meeting to discuss the analysis and report with the board, and to more fully describe how the RFP process might be developed.

A number of questions have been posed recently regarding the stadium’s listing on the National Registry of Historic Places. A common misconception is that listing on the National Registry prevents demolition or removal of historic structures or prevents change in use of the property. The listing simply adds time for a prescribed process before such actions can commence. Additionally, there are four conditions under which
the stadium and ball field can be withdrawn from the National Registry, none of which are currently applicable. Significant damage to the structure from natural causes, or demolition of the structure would be grounds for requesting a withdrawal of the listing. While the designation may create some obstacles to overcome for potential alternative uses and/or redevelopment of the property, the designation is also considered favorable for those wishing to preserve the stadium and its use because of the potential opportunities available to secure grant funding to support the preservation. The historic designation will “travel” with the property and is not affected by change in ownership.

The superintendent intends to initiate the Land Use Decision Making Process described under Board Policy FB at the next regularly scheduled board meeting on February 17, 2010 and will propose the following timeline for the process.

- **February 17, 2010**: Initiate the Land Use Decision Process.
- **February 18-26, 2010**: Period for neighborhood input, notification of neighbors, adjacent property owners, and public agencies.
- **March 3, 2010**: Debrief neighborhood input at regular board meeting.
- **March 17, 2010**: Receive proposed findings of fact (Item for Future Action).
- **April 7, 2010**: Conduct a Public Hearing.
- **April 21, 2010**: Make a decision regarding the findings of fact and sale of the property.

The criteria for evaluation in the decision making process will be outlined/recommended when the process is initiated on February 17, 2010.

**VIII. ITEMS FOR ACTION AT THIS MEETING**

1. **Consider the 2010-11 Lane Education Service District Local Service Plan**

   As required by House Bill 3184, Lane Education Service District has developed a Local Service Plan. The process in developing this plan included analysis of all resolutions/core services with the 16 component districts. Through this process component districts had the opportunity to gain knowledge, share and discuss their needs and provide recommendations for the local service plan.

   The Local Service Plan contains all services mandated by law. These services are intended to: Improve student learning; enhance the quality of instruction provided to students; assure equitable access to resources; and maximize operational and fiscal efficiencies. This plan includes services for:

   1. Students with special needs
   2. School improvement
   3. Technology
   4. Administrative and support
   5. Additional services

   Copies of the Local Service Plan Report for 2008-09 and the 2008-09 Summary of Services for Eugene School District 4J were included in the January 13 board packet. A copy of the Resolution Adopting the Local Service Plan is included in this board packet. The superintendent recommends adoption of the 2010-11 Lane ESD Local Service Plan.
IX. CONSENT GROUP – ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. Approve Board Meeting Minutes

The superintendent recommends approval of the minutes from the December 16, 2009 and January 6, 2010 regular board meetings. Copies of the minutes are included in the board packet.

X. ITEMS FOR ACTION AT A FUTURE MEETING

1. Approve Revision to Board Policy IKFA - Standard Diploma, Certificate of Accomplishment, Alternative Education Diploma and Modified Diploma (Staff: KC Clark)

Rationale for Revision: Passage of House Bill 2507 requires districts to offer an Extended Diploma and the language for the Modified Diploma and the Extended Diploma should be consistent. A copy of the revised Policy IKFA is included in the board packet. The superintendent recommends approval of the proposed board policy revision.


Rationale for Revisions: New Individuals with Disabilities Education Action (IDEA) regulations, effective December 31, 2008, give parents or students at the age of majority the right to unilaterally withdraw their consent to special education and related services and, if they do, the local education agency must cease providing special education services to the child. Special Education policies must be revised to reflect this change. Copies of the revised Policies IGBAG, IGBAH, and IGBAJ are included in the board packet. The superintendent recommends approval of the proposed board policy revisions.

XI. Comments and Committee Reports by Individual Board Members

XII. Adjourn

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