

ADEL SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 11, 2024 6PM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Hiatt
Aja O'Keeffe
Jason Jaeger
Terry Cahill

STAFF PRESENT

Lane Stratton, Superintendent
Tonya Stratton, Adel Clerk
Stacey Martin, School Teacher
Gail Woolery, Preschool Teacher

PUBLIC PRESENT

None

OPENING

The meeting was called to order at 6:24 p.m. by vice chair Jason Jaeger at the Adel School in Adel, Oregon.

AGENDA

Jim Hiatt made a motion to approve the agenda. Terry Cahill seconded and the motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

Jim Hiatt made a motion to approve December 2023 board meeting minutes, Terry Cahill seconded and the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Christmas card from Anderson Engineering & Oregon advocate for School Trust Lands.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REPORTS

6.1 Teacher Report – Stacey Martin

It is board appreciation month and a couple of students presented the board members with cards and posters that were very heartfelt. The clerk planned a catered dinner for board appreciation. Teacher, Mrs. Martin reported that the Christmas play turnout was good and the kids were very enthusiastic, we have a new 8th grade student and winter district testing will begin next week. Stacey and Robin are participating in a literacy leaders network that includes 65 people throughout the state of Oregon. They meet once a month for an hour. The purpose of the group is to improve literacy Kindergarten through high school. The biggest take away from this month's meeting was whatever topic we are learning in WIT wisdom have the Lake County Library send out any books on that topic in a grab bag for the students. Stacey met with Kathleen the SLP regarding the literacy grant for increased minutes of instruction for students. Kathleen suggested that #1 we stop and fix the problems we are having, there will be no more students coming up from preschool with language or articulation problems, #2 PreK-early intervention screenings, #3 screening on star data collection. Families should be receiving

family engagement boxes if they are signed up with Bailey Guido. Stacey also shared a flyer for a family winter outing opportunity in Central Oregon. CenturyLink came out and re-repaired the preschool phone line so we are up and running. Josh, our technology guy came out and got the WIFI for the community hall and preschool up and running. Lastly, Stacey suggested planning a work session that would allow the board members to get a feel for what the students would be learning through the steam lab curriculum. She suggested getting some dates together from Kelly, the sales rep from the steam lab. Mrs. Martin also suggested using money from two different fiscal years. Using fifty percent for the stem curriculum from this year and fifty percent from next year.

6.1 Teacher Report –Gail Woolery

Mrs. Woolery reported that January has been a busy month and preschoolers are learning about winter weather and animals that live in the snow. They will soon be learning about Eskimos and how they live and survive in Alaska. The preschoolers continue to work and learn from the Wilson program, writing their name and learning the ABC's and math. She will be sending permission slips home next week to test students. The small heater in the snack room has been replaced. Gail is taking the suburban in to Hall's Monday for a transmission flush. Monday is a holiday and there will not be preschool.

6.2 Maintenance Report

- I am continuing to troubleshoot the school's chlorine system with the help of Steve at Civil West Engineering. We have Identified several faulty components which have now been replaced. I have a switch ordered which we hope will be the final piece of the puzzle.
- I check on the teacher-house at least once a week. On my last check, I found the furnace was not on, further inspection leads me to believe the motor start capacitor may be at fault. I have a new one ordered. I have some electric heaters running in the house to protect against freezing pipes. Additionally, at the teacher house, there is an open neutral on one of the circuits. I am in the process of troubleshooting this problem. An open neutral means that somewhere in the house a wire is not connected. This could be in a device or junction box. The outlets were an old, recalled style. I am in the process of replacing all devices in the house. So far somewhere around 30 outlets have been replaced.
- A heater went out at the preschool. Tonya picked us up a new one and I installed it.
- Lane patched the sheetrock hole at the school. I finished, sanded, and painted the patch. I noticed the patch needs another coat of paint. I will put a second coat of paint on when the kids are not around.
- Century Link fixed the preschool phone.
- Tonya and I discussed me being the school district's new I.P.M. I have spent some time researching ways, we can control the schools' weed problems while staying within the restrictive regulations of the state. I have met with Chris Wilson several times to discuss and devise a weed management strategy. We have some ideas that we will implement this spring.
- I replaced the GFI at the school.
- I shocked the preschool well.
- Wheels back on the ball box.
- Discussion was had regarding the IPM coordinator and when we spray at the school. Board Chair reported she just took the class recently and no matter what you spray you have to hang notices and mail home noticed to parents to let them know besides hanging them up. Travis Koefoed will be attending the training this year and he will learn the rules of spraying and how we will notify stakeholders.

6.3 Principal Report (Lane Stratton)

I am working on this year's Local Service Plan. I will be meeting with superintendents next week. Adel's services will continue to be the same. The ESD has been flying for a Speech Language Pathologist in person. The gals that do our SLP distance services do a great job but ideally it would be best to have one in person. The Christmas program was an amazing community event. Kuddos to everyone that makes this happen. There is a \$20k summer meal grant program that we are going to apply for. Superintendent Stratton reported that IDEA is not coming for us this year.

6.4 Clerk Report (Tonya Stratton)

The clerk reported that our janitor/ground person resigned and communicated that she will continue to work as long as she can until we get someone hired. The clerk flew the job in the paper and we have a couple people interested. We are going to try and interview next week. Position is still open until filled. DEQ came out to test septic holes and board member Jason Jaeger and Jim Hiatt helped with that. Eric from Grant Pass water lab is coming out to test water next week and he will be testing for lead. The last time we had it done was in 2020 and we for some reason are off schedule. There is a lot of work that goes in to this. We have to name and number each lead testing faucet. I will fill out the paperwork to get reimbursed from ODE. The clerk picked up the bikes for the students and is going to get some prices on some storage containers. The clerk reported that she received grant money for a few students that she applied for back in the Fall. This money was more than originally thought. It is to be spent on school supplies or clothing and etc.

6.5 Board Reports

Mr. Hiatt reported that he is picking up more horses on the 31st. Board Chair reported that we finally have a wrestling club and it has started off successful and our thankful they can use the community hall to practice and store their wrestling mats.

6.6 Financial Report

Questions were brought up regarding the CenturyLink as to why we pay so much and have so many lines. The clerk is going to call and get rid of the message phone 947-3818 as we have not used it and years and do not know our password to get our messages. Jason Jaeger asked if we were going to run out of Middle School funds. Mr. Stratton isn't sure so he will ask Sara and report back.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.1 2021-2022 MOE Status

21-22 We Made MOE so we don't need to pay any money back.

7.2 Stem Room Update

Tonya and I met with Anderson Engineering and we are moving forward with finalizing the plans. We can start the bid process soon. We plan on meeting with Kelly the stem lab gal to finalize what they are providing so we aren't doubling up on some of our expenses.

7.3 Bank Account Signatures

The clerk forgot the signature cards so at the next meeting we will make the changes.

ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Approve Bills

Jason Jaeger made a motion to approve the December bills. Jim Hiatt seconded and the motion carried.

8.2 Oregon Advocate for School Trust Lands

Jason Jaeger made a motion to table this until superintendent Stratton can get more information. Jim Hiatt seconded and the motion carried.

Adjournment

Jason Jaeger made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47pm. Jim Hiatt seconded and the motion carried.

Aja O'Keefe, Board Chair

Lane Stratton, Principal