

ADEL SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 13, 2023 4PM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Hiatt
Aja O'Keeffe
Jason Jaeger
Peter Osborne
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 4:07 p.m. by chair Aja O'Keeffe at the Adel School in Adel, Oregon.

AGENDA

Peter Osborne made a motion to approve the agenda. Terry Cahill seconded and the motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

Peter Osborne made a motion to approve November 9, 2023 minutes, Jim Hiatt seconded and the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REPORTS

6.1 Teacher Report – Stacey Martin

- Mrs. Martin reported that they have been working on the Christmas play and fine tuning the acting, set design and technology. ELA is nearing the end of our respective units and we are able to move on to a new segment of learning. We will be transitioning from the Revolutionary War to the Louisiana Purchase. Students have been working on robotics. Sammy Sharpe has now transitioned out as the Special education teacher and the kids haven't missed a beat. We have had a lot of sickness in the last couple of weeks and are hoping that all the students will be able to make the Christmas program. Mrs. Martin attended CPR/First aid to keep up with the hours that are need to keep her bus license. Coming up is going to be another math challenge, like last year. Mrs. Stacey is continuing with the math training with her REN collaborative group. Robin and Stacey are signed up for a literacy leaders network that will be once a month. Century link came out to fix the preschool phone. The radio relay is not working therefore, the preschool or community hall does not currently have WIFI. Josh is coming out to get us up and going.

6.1 Teacher Report –Gail Woolery

- Mrs. Woolery reported that she took the suburban to town to get the oil, brakes, and headlight fixed. She also reported that the transmission is jerking on the suburban. After discussion the board thought it would be a good idea to get the transmission flushed. The preschoolers have been practicing for the Christmas program since the beginning of December. They continue to work on crafts, painting, gluing and the letter of the week, math, ABC's. Tomorrow they are not having preschool. They will just be participating in the Christmas program. She reported that the space heater in the room with the horse shoe table is blowing cold air and asked if the clerk could have Travis look at it.

6.2 Maintenance Report

- Travis replaced the PCM1 controller for the chlorination system. He is communicating with our water engineer to figure out the proper chlorination level.

6.3 Principal Report (Lane Stratton)

- Early Learning Hub-Take Root parenting has been working hard in this department to provide families with monthly boxes for early learning. Mr. Stratton attended the law conference in Eugene and reported that it was the best law conference he has ever been too and he felt like he came back with a wealth of knowledge one being that classified employees are protected with just cause and can no longer fire them (no longer at will employees) or non-renewal. Classified staff has to have a due process.

6.4 Clerk Report (Tonya Stratton)

- Gary McCleese came out to scope the line for the septic. Adam Albertson and Gary McCleese are going to give us bids for the new septic tank at the school. They are the only contractors licensed that live within reason. I emailed Adam what we wanted a bid for but haven't heard back yet. Regarding the hall septic, Adel School District paid for a permit back in 2017 but never had the test holes dug. I am going to go ahead and pay for a minor repair for the new tank at the school and pay for a major for an entire new system at the community hall. When we know how many feet of leach field we need we can put this out for bid. Board member Jason Jaeger is going to be able to have a back hoe available to dig test holes when the DEQ inspector comes out. It was suggested to the clerk that she calls in a locate before we dig. The clerk reached out to the transportation director in Grants Pass. I thought he was interested in the diesel bus but it isn't four-wheel drive. He suggested putting it on Craigslist for two weeks for bids. He has connections of people who pay decent money for used busses in his area. Lastly, the board does not want to pay a plumber to put in a new water heater and the clerk is going to reach out to Kati McGarva to see if she is interested in subbing for us as a custodian so we don't have to pay mileage for someone to come out and sub.

6.5 Board Reports

No report

6.6 Financial Report

No questions

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.1 Stem Update

Mr. Stratton updated the board and reported that he reached out to Anderson Engineering but they haven't connected for a meeting to finalize the plans. It is on his to do list.

7.2 SIA Annual Report & Grant Agreement

Student Investment Account-Corporate Activity Tax. 2022-2023 carried over \$23,000. Spent it on Character Strong Program, summer swimming, and summer tutoring. For the 2023-2024 school year \$34,500 will be ear tagged for an extra day of kindergarten transition, field trips and stem lab. No questions were asked.

7.3 Early Literacy Grant

All districts are receiving this grant. \$41,700 for the 23-24 school year and \$43,400 for the 24-25 school year. Funds from this grant can be spent on administrative costs, hiring of staff, high dosage tutoring during the school day, professional development or coaching, purchase of curriculum and materials, after school or summer time programs. This money focuses on grades K-3 with a small percentage on 4th and 5th grade. Mrs. Martin asked if we could hire our speech pathologist for some extra time with the money.

ACTION ITEMS

8.1 SIA Grant Approval & Annual Report

Peter Osborne made a motion to approve the SIA Grant Application and the Annual Report. Jason Jaeger seconded and the motion carried.

8.2 Early Literacy Program Grant Application

Jason Jaeger made a motion to approve the Early Literacy Grant Application and Peter Osborne seconded and the motion carried.

8.3 Resolution

Peter Osborne made a motion to reallocate funds within the general fund to better reflect actual program expense. Jason Jaeger seconded the motion and the motion carried.

8.4 Approve Bills

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

Adjournment

Jason Jaeger made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:07pm. Peter Osborne seconded and the motion carried.

