

School Board Minutes

Banks School District 13

December 14, 2009

Minutes are official after Board approval

5:30 Board Work Session – District Conference Room

Agenda

Board Members Present:

Kathy Edison, Vice Chair
Richard Bowden
Norie Dimeo-Ediger
Laurie Schlegel

Others Present:

Pete Edison, Facilities Planning Committee Chair

Administrators Present

Jim Foster, Superintendent
Simon Levear Business Manager

Bond Discussion

Mr. Foster reported that the Facilities Planning Committee met and answered the questions from DLR. Copies of the questions and answers were handed out to the Board. Mr. Bowden said that the questions were the same questions the board had previously discussed. Mr. Bowden read through the questions and answers.

#2. Mr. Foster said practicality was an issue. Kathy Edison said visitor parking up front was a plus. Mr. Levear said that the bridge setting has traffic flows intermingled; the three separate traffic patterns were positive. Mr. Edison said that the pedestrian link plan had a central campus concept.

#3. Mr. Bowden said that it would be best to have some detail, but not too much. Mr. Edison said it would be difficult to have the 2-D form without a full architectural commitment. Mr. Bowden said that a phase legend was discussed and preferred for the site plan.

#4. Mr. Bowden said the intent is to improve the elementary parking situation, and read the comments from Bob Huston, Banks Elementary School Principal. Mrs. Edison asked if additional parking at the elementary would be considered. Mr. Edison said the district has a finite amount of land to deal with, and he said he hoped there could be more parking available. Mr. Levear asked if there were any code questions to be considered.

#5. Mr. Bowden said the portables might possibly be used for short-term.

#6. Mr. Edison said that softball currently has 5 fields, and one may go if necessary. He said it is vital the open space be useable space. He said the elementary softball field could be utilized. The junior high gym expansion could be explained by the consideration of moving 6th graders to the junior high building. Mr. Edison said it was imperative to pick up additional net gym space. Mr. Bowden asked where maintenance would be moved – Mr. Foster said he thought down by the tin shed would be a logical site. Mr. Foster said that the new survey should include the question of moving students from the elementary school. Mr. Edison said the plan should reflect what is both wanted and needed.

#7. Mr. Bowden said the buildings could be designed with flexibility – the outside is permanent, the inside setup is more flexible, and walls can be moved in the interior.

#8. Mrs. Edison handed out a Work Plan Component Draft Outline dated 10/30/08; and a June 2008 Pre-Bond Project Summary, and discussed the changes of the scope of work from one to another. Mr. Bowden suggested the web site could be used to disseminate information, and keep consistency. He said it is very important the official word given out is complete and final, and it will help clear rumors.

#9. Not discussed.

#10. Mr. Edison said the community library concept would be difficult to manage.

#11. Laurie Schlegel said it may be an issue, but it would be extremely difficult to bring up to code. She said the emphasis should be on safety and accessibility.

#12. Mr. Foster said that there are donations ready for both the softball and baseball groups. Mr. Edison said it makes no sense to have multiple batting facilities, it would be best to build one for all groups, and have input from the groups and the athletic director. Laurie Schlegel said that it makes more sense to have facilities be multi-purpose, more bang for the buck. Mr. Edison said it was important to reflect the buildings on the site plan.

Mr. Edison said the next facilities planning committee meeting is January 6, 2010, and the committee needs to be done by March 1. He said the committee would refine what they already have. He said the committee wants a site plan, representing every school, with a 2D drawing. He said that Rick Rainone has been a tremendous help to the committee. He said the prospective date for the survey would be April 2010, and he would like the timeline rescheduled for a November election.

Mr. Levear said that the interest free loan is \$15 million maximum, so the additional amount will have interest charged. He said he would ask Mr. Hernandez to work different scenarios for the district. Mr. Levear said the elementary bond drops off in 2017.

Measure 66 & 67

Mr. Levear reported that there is a \$4 billion gap in the state funding. He said it was dealt with by budget cuts, stimulus money, and went into state reserves. Mr. Levear said that left a little over \$800 million left to make up. The legislature enacted the two new tax measures, and said there would be a \$735 million shortfall if the new taxes (measure 66 and 67) do not remain in place. He said the income tax would affect people earning \$125,000 annually singly, or \$250,000 jointly, which will affect 2½% of the Oregon population. He said currently Oregon has the 3rd lowest business taxes in the nation; if the measure passes Oregon will be the 5th lowest. He said these measures are permanent taxes. Mr. Levear said the effect to the Banks School District if the measures do not pass would be \$600,000.

Mr. Foster reported that he is adding an administrative regulation to policy JHF – Student Safety. The Administrative regulation concerns safety assessment, and was developed by the counseling departments. Mr. Foster said the board would be getting information on the upcoming Sustainable Schools (the old Bonds and Ballots) workshop, January 27th and 28th.

The work session adjourned at 6:55 PM.

7:00 Regular Session

Board Members Present:

Kathy Edison, Vice-Chair
Richard Bowden
Norie Dimeo-Ediger
Laurie Schlegel

Administrators Present

Others Present:

Lance Heggem, Sodexo Food Service
Lauren Templeton; Ruan O'Mahoney, Jamie Borchers, 6th grade students, Shannon Dotson, Kim Carson 6th grade teachers

Jim Foster, Superintendent
Simon Levear, Business Manager
Shelley Mitchell, Student Services Director
Bob Huston, BES Principal
Gary Hartman, Technology Director

CALL TO ORDER-FLAG SALUTE

Board vice-chair Kathy Edison welcomed everyone to the board meeting, and said there is time for audience comment later in the meeting.

PUBLIC WELCOME/RECOGNITION/COMMENTS

Elementary Outdoor School Presentation – moved from item 4.1 Presentations

Bob Huston introduced Lauren Templeton, Ruan O'Mahoney and Jamie Borchers, 6th grade students who attended outdoor school for four days in November. He said that it is a wonderful opportunity for the students to attend Camp Westwind to learn about estuary, forest and beach habitation. The students gave a brief report on their experiences at Outdoor School.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Richard Bowden made the following motion: "Be it resolved the Banks School District Board of Directors approve the agenda as presented." Laurie Schlegel seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION

Elementary Outdoor School Presentation – moved to Public Welcome/Recognition/Comments

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve November 9, 2009 Board Work/Regular Session Minutes

Approve November 23, 2009 Board Work Session Minutes

Approve Fiscal Report

Approve Routine Personnel Matters

Resignation

Cindy Carr .4FTE Counselor Jr. High effective 11/30/2009

Termination:

Randall Metzger 1.0FTE Secondary Lifeskills teacher effective 11/16/2009

Extra Duty Contracts

Jon Small HS Wrestling Head Coach 2009-10 SY

Troy Hall HS Wrestling Asst. Coach 2009-10 SY

Transfers

Effective December 14, 2009

Jill Schlegel .8125FTE Secondary Instructional Asst. to 1.0FTE Youth Transition Specialist

Bobbie Woodruff .8125FTE Elementary Physical Activity Aide (Temporary 2009-10)

to .8125FTE Secondary Instructional Assistant

Jenelle Callender .225FTE Kindergarten Aide (Temporary 2009-10)

to .8125FTE Elementary Physical Activity Aide (Temporary 2009-10)

Kathy Edison reported there was an addition to the consent agenda:

Hiring: Aaron Hollingshead .4FTE JH Counselor effective 12/18/2009.

Richard Bowden made the following motion: "Be it resolved the Banks School District Board of Directors approve the consent agenda as amended." Norie Dimeo-Ediger seconded. Laurie Schlegel abstained from voting. The motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS

OSBA Officer Election

Kathy Edison noted that Vice-President candidate was Randy Tweten, not Scott Pillar.

Laurie Schlegel made the following motion Be it resolved that the Banks School District Board of Directors casts its votes for Bobbie Regan for President-Elect, Randy Tweten for Vice President, and Kris Howatt for Secretary Treasurer for OSBA Board of Directors." Richard Bowden seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

OSBA Resolutions amending the OSBA Constitution

Laurie Schlegel made the following motion: "Be it resolved that the Banks School District Board of Directors casts its votes in favor of Resolutions 1 through 4." Richard Bowden seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Hiring of communications consultant for 2009-2010

Richard Bowden made the following motion: "Be it resolved that the Banks School District Board of Directors hires C & M Communications as communication consultant for 2009-2010". Laurie Schlegel seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Hiring of pre-bond consultant for 2009-2010

Norie Dimeo-Ediger made the following motion: "Be it resolved that the Banks School District Board of Directors hires Cornerstone Management Group as pre-bond consultant for 2009-2010". Laurie Schlegel seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no discussion items.

REPORTS

Administrator Report

Bob Huston had nothing to add to his written report. He said that tomorrow evening there would be Christmas in the Community celebration. Mr. Bowden asked if there had been much comment concerning the elimination of the music program. Mr. Huston said that there have been no formal concerns expressed, and only two parents have commented on the elimination of the PE program.

Shelley Mitchell reported that she is working on bringing a Pacific University student in as an intern for the secondary lifeskills position. She said the intern is highly recommended, and there will be a partnership mentor.

Jim Smith reported that last Friday there was a basketball tournament, but three teams cancelled for Saturday, and the Saturday part of the tournament was cancelled, but Gary was not able to access the web to post the cancellation on the web site. He said they are working on getting email addresses for all team parents. Mr. Smith said that there were burst pipes in the concession stand. Mr. Bowden asked if the number of inductees for National Honor Society was lower or higher than in the past. Mr. Smith said the range is 22 to 28 students every year.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Mr. Foster commented that the administrators have taken on extra work this year, and thanked the board for their support of the district. He encouraged the board members to take part in the upcoming OSBA workshop.

AUDIENCE TIME

There were no comments.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Norie Dimeo-Ediger thanked everyone for a great job.

Laurie Schlegel thanked Bob Huston for the 6th grade presentation.

Richard Bowden commented on all the extras given by the district employee, and the extra work put in for obtaining additional funding sources.

Kathy Edison wished everyone Happy Holidays.

ADJOURNMENT

The board meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.