

The Vale School District No. 84 Board of Directors met for their regular monthly meeting, February 8, 2017, at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room at Vale Elementary. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Michael McGourty. Present were Directors Susan Gregory, Scott Gressley, Topper Schlupe and Dave Wenger; Superintendent Scott Linenberger; Business Manager Matt Mejia; Principals Alisha McBride, Jeri Schaffeld, and Mary Jo Sharp; Board Secretary Beth Morrow and Cara Wilber, Oster Professionals. In the audience was Logan Hamilton, Darlene McConnell, Zach Knapp, Todd Shaffer, John Braese, and roughly 15 Boy Scouts and their mentors.

Scott Gressley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Topper Schlupe and seconded by Scott Gressley to adopt the agenda as printed. Motion unanimously approved.

Consent Agenda

Chairman McGourty asked if there were any objections to the Consent Agenda. It was moved by Topper Schlupe and seconded by Scott Gressley to approve the Consent Agenda as printed.

Approve Minutes of the January 11, 2017, Regular Board Meeting and Work Session
Minutes of January 30, 2017.

Approve bills payable in the amount of \$198,763.74

Accept Retirement of VHS Ag Teacher, Victor Noble, effective June 30, 2017

Hire Aides – Hire Darbie Fugate, VE LRC Aide and Lisa Jensen, VE Physical Ed. Aide

Approve Open Enrollment Numbers

Approve Instructional Hours

Hire Coaches for 2016/17– VMS Track Todd Shaffer, Zach Knapp, and Bob Phillips

Administrators' Reports

For Vale Elementary, Mrs. McBride reported on the following: Enrollment of 447, PLC Meetings, Responsibility Assembly, First Semester Awards Assembly, Smarter Balanced Staff Training, Literacy Night, and 4th Grade NAEP Assessment.

For Willowcreek Elementary, Mrs. McBride reported on the following: Enrollment of 88, PLC Meetings, Second Quarter Awards Assembly, Basketball Update, Smarter Balanced Staff Training, and Huntington Tournament Schedule.

For Vale Middle School, Mrs. Schaffeld reported on the following: Enrollment of 127, Brundage Ski Trips, Academic Bowls, SBAC Training, Young Peoples Concert at the Cultural Center, NAEP Assessment Day, Boys Basketball, and distributed the VMS School Newsletter.

For Vale High School, Mrs. Sharp reported on the following: Enrollment VHS 267 and OTLA 24, District Wrestling, District Basketball, State Wrestling, First Round Basketball Playoff, State Basketball, National Honor Society Activities, Robotics, Winter Sports, Weber State Auto Competition, FBLA Taco Feed/Auction, 3rd Quarter Grades, Chamber dinner, Senior Project mock Interviews, and State Testing.

VHS teacher, Jim Schaffeld, reported on the Robotics competition trip to Salem on January 27 & 28, 2017. He explained the competition process and that our teams did an outstanding job and qualified for the Oregon VEX Robotics competition (VRC) State Championship to be held on March 10 & 11, 2017. He asked for the Boards approval to return to Salem for an overnight trip to the State Championship at Chemeketa Community College. Director, Dave Wenger thanked Mr. Schaffeld for helping provide this opportunity to students.

Items for Action

Oster Professional – Kara Wilber, Oster Professionals, was in attendance and presented the 2015/16 audit review. She highlighted pages in the audit stating ultimately the audit went well and no major issues were found. It was moved by Dave Wenger and seconded by Topper Schlupe that the Vale School District #84 Board of Directors approve the 2015/16 audit presented by Oster Professionals. Motion unanimously approved.

Overnight Field Trip – As stated above Jim Schaffeld discussed the Robotics competition in January and also asked for approval to attend the overnight State competition on March 10 & 11, 2017, in Salem, Oregon. It was moved by Topper Schlupe and seconded by Susan Gregory that the Vale School District #84 Board of Directors approve the overnight trip to Salem, Oregon, on March 10 & 11, 2017, for the Oregon State Robotics competition. Motion unanimously approved.

Budget Directive – OSBA recommends that the Board pass the following resolution as the first step in preparing next year's budget. It was moved by Topper Schlupe and seconded by Scott Gressley that the Vale School District #84 Board of Directors approve the Budget Directive as presented. Motion unanimously approved.

WHEREAS, State aid will be reduced for 2017/18 because of declining enrollment, and

WHEREAS, the Vale School District may face an operating deficit for the 2017/18 school year, and

WHEREAS, state law clearly allows layoffs of licensed staff members due to lack of funds or adjusted for elimination of classes due to administrative decision; and

WHEREAS, the collective bargaining agreement with both licensed and classified employees clearly allow for staff layoffs; and

WHEREAS, the collective bargaining agreement with both licensed and classified employees clearly allow for various management rights; and

WHEREAS, the primary purpose of the Vale School District is to provide educational services to students.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

The Board directs the superintendent to prepare a balanced 2017/18 budget that may include program reductions and layoffs.

Approve Architect – It was recommend by the Selection Committee that Steele and Associates be the provider of architectural services for the new Vale Middle School building. It was moved by Scott Gressley and seconded by Dave Wenger that the Vale School District #84 Board of Directors approve Steele and Associates from Bend, Oregon, to provide architectural services for the new Vale Middle School building. Motion unanimously approved.

Approve Bond Resolution – Deputy Clerk, Matt Mejia, presented the Capital Project Fund Resolution for the New Middle School Construction Funds. Resolution attached. It was moved by Topper Schlupe and seconded by Scott Gressley that the Vale School District #84 Board of Directors approve the Capital Project Fund Resolution as presented. Motion unanimously approved.

Information Items

Business Manager, Matt Mejia, stated that due to payroll and W2's, and the new software system, he did not prepare a financial report for the month. He did discuss the Statewide Business Managers workshop he attended and information they provided concerning funding. He stated that he hopes to have more information on funding for 2017/18 by the March Board meeting.

Hearing Groups

Logan Hamilton spoke and thanked the Board, Mr. Linenberger, and the administrators for all their hard work on selecting an architect and proceeding forward with the process of building a new Vale Middle School. He urged them to continue throughout the process to seek input and ask the questions needed.

Items for Discussion

Bond – Mr. Linenberger provided a handout on the process of obtaining the bond money and collecting the matching funds. He stated that he had spoke with Steele and Associates and they have agreed to look over the Ford Foundation grant. He stated that hopefully the Ford Foundation grant will afford us monies to put towards the renovation of the VHS

cafeteria/kitchen. Mr. Linenberger thanked the Board and Selection Committee for all the time and work they have contributed to the project thus far.

Contract Extensions - Contract extensions were presented for review.

Snow – Mr. Linenberger stated thus far that approximately \$60,000 had been spent on snow removal. He stated that all buildings in the district have been cleared twice and grounds are continually being worked on. He also stated that a structural engineer had inspected the Middle School and determined that the structural creep is within reason of the thermal expansion and contraction caused by seasonal temperature change and the freeze thaw cycle of soil foundation materials. No new structural cracking or deformation of the roof system was observed.

2017/18 Draft School Calendar – Mr. Linenberger discussed the proposed 2017/18 school calendar explaining that it has been aligned similar to the universities and surrounding districts.

Policies 1st Reading – The following policies are required by OSBA for adoption. The following were presented for 1st reading:

EFAA – District Nutrition and Food Services

GCL – Staff Development – Licensed

GCL/GDL – Staff Development

JECBD – Homeless Students

Cabinet Members - Mr. Linenberger would like to continue to work with members of the Selection Committee to assist in overseeing the Vale Middle School project throughout the entire process. Possibly meeting with the architects weekly and discussing progress and any concerns we might have.

Board Report - Board Member, Dave Wenger, gave a brief summary of the FFA Advisory meeting held on January 7, 2017, and explained that as they continue to review the bylaws only a few minor changes at this point have been made.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Attest: _____
Board Chair Date

Clerk Date

