

**ORANGE SOUTHWEST SUPERVISORY UNION
BOARD MEETING**

**MONDAY, June 8, 2015
RANDOLPH UNION HIGH SCHOOL**

To be approved at the August 10, 2015 meeting

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: A. Howard, A. Odatto, H. Fernandes
K. Husher, K. Forrer
J. Messier, B. Dingleline, A. Black Cone,
P. Putney, L. Roachat

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: B. Kay, P. Miller, D. Barnett until 7:12 pm, E. Hawkes until 7:12 pm

GUESTS PRESENT: Harry Frank (VSBA) & Sandy Vondrasek Cooch (Herald)

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Kristin Husher, at 6:32 p.m.
Agenda items were reviewed. Time Keeper: Paul Putney

- I. Community Engagement
 - a. Public comment (4.2.1): No comments. Harry Frank visiting tonight as an observer of Policy Governance in action.

- II. Board Management & Governance
 - a. Appoint Auditor (3.4.2): Bill Yacavoni is willing to audit next year.
Motion to appoint Bill Yacavoni as our auditor for next year
By: Angelo Odatto
Seconded: Ann Howard
Motion passed: Yes

 - b. Annual Review of Ends Policy (4.3) (enclosed with agenda)
The Ends Policy was reviewed and discussed.

 - c. Review Draft of Annual Agenda & Report (4.3.2) (handouts at meeting)
The OSSU Annual Agenda for 2015-2016 and Report handouts were reviewed and board members were asked to send their comments to Kristin. Suggestion to add to Community Engagement the goal of reaching out to other boards on Policy Governance.

 - d. Facility Plans Update (2.6)(see enclosed with agenda)
Reviewed the Facility Plans Update sheets for update of summer plans.

 - e. Preliminary report from community connection group (4.2)
A handout was reviewed & discussed by the board. The consolidation would be the first community engagement priority. In the future want to address poverty and have Ruby Payne come for a presentation.

- f. Consolidation H.361/RED discussion
Discussion about new legislation and review of choices for volunteer merging. The final deadline for approval is July 1, 2016. Discussed details, tax incentives, small school grants, etc. The following board members will be on the consolidation study committee: Heather Fernandes, Ann Howard, Jim Merriam, Kate Forrer, Brooke Dingledine & Anne Black Cone.

Motion to approve the consolidation study committee to make a recommendation with articles to the OSSU board by September 2015

By: Angelo Odat
Seconded: Heather Fernandes
Motion passed: Yes

- g. Policy 6006 - Pupil Privacy Rights was reviewed. (enclosed with agenda)
Policy 6007 - Federal Child Nutrition Act Wellness was reviewed. (enclosed with agenda) Both policies will be on the agenda again for next meeting.

III. Ends Monitoring

- a. RUHS/RTCC Senior Profile (3.4) (report enclosed with agenda)
David Barnett reviewed the RUHS Senior Profile in the enclosed report. He reviewed all data points on the longitudinal data chart, discussed Habits of Heart/Mind/Work, dual enrollment and AP courses.

Brent reviewed the longitudinal data summary of the RTCC Profile in the report. The new RTCC director starts on July 1.

- b. Direct Inspection Reports (3.4)
Grade 6 Challenge
Service Learning Projects
Local History Projects - Brooke reviewed her observations.
Night of the Arts - Laura reviewed her written report. (see copy)
Senior Projects - Brooke & Laura reviewed their observations.
Brookfield Spring Concert & Author in Residence - Kate reviewed her observations.
International Night - Kristin & Paul reviewed their observations.

IV. EL Monitoring

- a. Accept EL Report 2.7 (3.4)(Husher)(see enclosed with agenda)
Kristin reviewed her enclosed report on EL 2.7 - Compensation & Benefits.

Motion to Accept EL Report 2.7

By: Laura Rochat
Seconded: Anne Black Cone
Motion passed: Yes

V. Advocacy

- a. Legislative Update (4.2.5): Discussed earlier in this meeting.

VI. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes of: May 11, 2015 Regular Board Meeting (enclosed with agenda)
- b. Pre-School Tuition Waiver
- c. Establishment of a Pre-School Region
Pat Miller passed out a handout about Establishing a Pre-School Education Region from the Agency of Ed and a listing of prequalified Pre-School programs in our area. Pat reviewed information about this process. Needs a letter from the board to set the Pre-School Region.
- d. Approval of LEAP for 2015 - 2016 (see form enclosed with agenda)
- e. Approve CFP Title Grant for 2015-2016 (copy of grant & form enclosed with agenda)
- f. Approval of Professional Staff Contracts for 2015 - 2016 (form enclosed with agenda)
- g. Authorize the Superintendent and Business Manager to borrow and invest tax anticipation/assessment monies in the best interest of the school districts for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 (form enclosed with OSSU agenda)
- h. Approval of VEHI Life & Disability Program with Lincoln Financial effective July 1, 2015 (form enclosed with agenda)

Motion to approve all items of the Consent Agenda

By: Ann Howard
Seconded by: Angelo Odatto
Motion passed: Yes, all in favor

VII. Reports & Incidental Information

- a. Superintendent's Report (2.8) (enclosed with agenda) was reviewed.
- b. Local Board Principals' Reports (2.8) (enclosed with agenda) were reviewed.
- c. Financial Report (2.3) (enclosed with agenda) was reviewed. All schools in good shape and expect every school to end with small surpluses.
- d. Other incidental information (2.8)
Reviewed dates and times of upcoming graduation events.

VIII. Meeting Evaluation

- a. Board self-evaluation (Anne Black Cone) (4.1.6)
Anne reviewed her evaluation of this meeting.

IX. Executive Session

- a. Support Staff Negotiations
- b. Approval of Central Office Carry-Over Funds

8:42 p.m. A motion was made by Angelo Odatto & seconded by Anne Black Cone to enter Executive Session to discuss Support Staff Negotiations & Approval of Central Office Carry-Over Funds with the superintendent & clerk present. Motion passed.

9:15 p.m. The board exited Executive Session.

Motion to approve up to \$50,000 from the OSSU Carry-Over money to complete a Special Education Services agreement pending further legal review

By: Angelo Odató

Seconded by: Jen Messier

Motion passed: Yes, with 2 board members abstaining

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Lubold, Board Clerk

Agenda Items for next meeting: To be determined

Future Meetings:

Agenda Meeting: July 27, 2015 - OSSU @ 6 p.m.

Regular Meeting: August 10, 2015 - Brookfield - 6:30 p.m.