

Reedsport School District 105

EXECUTIVE SESSION / BUDGET HEARING / REGULAR SESSION MONTHLY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

JUNE 12, 2024

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION CALL TO ORDER @ 4:30 PM

- A. ORS 192.660 (2) The governing body of a public body may hold an executive session: (i) To review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer or any member who does not request an open hearing.
- B. Attendance: Carey Jones, Bonnie Booher, Jack Dailey, Carrie Oldright, Bob Morin, Holly Hill and Sharmen Tipton.

II. RECESS EXECUTIVE SESSION @ 5:25 PM

III. BUDGET COMMITTEE CALL TO ORDER @ 5:33 PM

A. Attendance: Carey Jones, Bonnie Booher, Jack Dailey, Carrie Oldright and Bob Morin.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. PUBLIC INPUT ON THE FY 2024-2025 BUDGET

Individuals wishing to address the Board during the Budget Hearing will fill out a "Community Comment" card upon entrance to the boardroom. It is required to list the item you wish to address. Input addressed to the board is limited to no more than three (3) minutes.

Public Input Rules for virtual attendance: Individuals wishing to address the board without being present in the boardroom may submit their input in writing or email to the address listed below. Input received by 3:00 PM on the day of the hearing will be read at the appropriate time in the meeting as determined by the Board Chair. Input received after 3:00 PM, during the hearing and after adjournment of the Budget Hearing will NOT be included.

Submit Budget Hearing Public Input to: Reedsport School District email stipton@reedsport.k12.or.us or mail to 100 Ranch Road, ATTN: Budget Hearing Public Input, Reedsport, OR 97467

VI. ADJOURN BUDGET HEARING @ 5:36 PM

VII. ESTABLISH A QUORUM

A. Carey Jones, Bonnie Booher, Jack Dailey, Carrie Oldright, Bob Morin, Jon Zwemke, Rachel

Amos, Josh Cook, Holly Hill, Sharmen Tipton

VIII. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

IX. ACCOLADES

- A. Retiring Staff Presentation
 - 1. Diane Nation, Instructional Assistant at Highland Elementary School
 - a. Di Nation is a hoot! She always has a smile on her face and is fun to be around. She's the grandma figure that students appreciate having around. Di is soft-spoken, kind, and a soft place for a student to land. We appreciate everything she has done for both students and staff.
 - b. Congratulations on Your Retirement. Presented to Diane Nation. In appreciation of your commitment to education, dedicated service and countless contributions to our district and community. For all the lives you have impacted and students you have inspired to love learning, we honor you. Reedsport School District 105 Years of Service 2020-2024. An educator takes a hand, opens a mind and touches a heart. May you never forget the difference you have made.

X. REPORTS

- A. Assistant Business Manager Josh Cook
 - 1. Josh presented grant information to the board including the amount of the grant, what part of the grant we have used to date and when the grant will be completed.
 - 2. Business Managers will be researching endowments and will report back to the board.
 - 3. Business Services from the SCESD compared to Business Manager in-house. One person would not be able to do business management, accounts payable and payroll. The district would need to split that among three different people. It would be twice what we are paying with SCESD. Josh shared a report with the board that was included in the board meeting packet.
- B. Superintendent Report Jon Zwemke
 - Mr. Zwemke gave a big congratulations to the students and staff who put on a production
 of Clue at the Reedsport Community Charter School. From the set to the acting, it was a joy
 to watch. The teachers who worked with these students; Patty Prenger, Nissa Gunn and
 Cormac Dailey did a fantastic job, and we look forward to what our theater program will be
 doing in the years to come.
 - 2. Charging a usage fee to Head Start for the use of district facilities at the district office and Jr./Sr. high school. That is something the directors of Head Start are able and willing to do. We have not charged them up to this point because these are our future students, and

- these programs play a major role in preparing students to enter grade school. Head Start promotes the school readiness of children by enhancing their cognitive, social, and emotional development. Head Start programs provide a learning environment that supports children's growth in language, literacy, and social and emotional development.
- 3. Our current drug testing policy is to test all student-athletes. We would like to move to random drug testing which would save money. This may not be a deterrent for the students. We are the only school in our league that is testing every student-athlete.
 - a. Board members suggested reducing the progressive discipline and making it a one-time positive test and you sit out the rest of the season.
- 4. It was suggested that we look into selling the district office and there is a church interested in purchasing the property. This will need to be a board discussion.
- 5. Currently we do not require fees to play sports as it was decided years ago that it would be better to remove barriers from participation in school sports due to the positive influence sports have on student academics. If we would like to start charging to play, that would be a change in the handbook.
 - a. The cost we have had in the past is \$40 for Jr. High, \$80 for Sr. High, per season with no family cap.
 - b. A board member asked if it was possible to adjust the fee to a seasonal or annual fee that would help to offset the cost for families with multiple students and multiple sports.
 - c. Need a final decision before sports start practicing at the start of the 2024/2025 season.
- 6. Scott Nelson, Chief Marketing Officer with Linfield University and is also a Reedsport alum.
 - a. He would like to give back to the community by helping with marketing the district to regain students who have left the district. He will be volunteering his time. The board would be interested in having a work session with Mr. Nelson to see what ideas he has.

XI. CONSENT AGENDA

Actions that are routine or usually call for no discussion, such as approving minutes of previous meetings, acceptance of donations, and similar actions, are often handled together in one vote by the Board.

- A. Approve the minutes from May 29, 2024, Budget Committee Meeting
- B. Retirements:
 - 1. Diane Nation, Elementary Instructional Assistant
- C. Certified or Administration Resignation
 - 1. Shelbe Renner, Jr./Sr. High Registered Teacher
 - 2. Whitney Isley, 3rd Grade Teacher

- 3. Lisa Russell, Elementary School Principal
- D. Bonnie Booher made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. Jack Dailey seconded. Vote: Yes 5, No 0. Approved.

XII. ACTION

- A. Adoption of the Oregon National Guard Military Career Education Cluster Program
 - 1. Resolution #01-23-24: Providing for a Military Career Education Cluster
 - 2. Jack Dailey made a motion to accept Resolution #01-23-24 as presented. Bob Morin seconded. Vote: Yes 5, No 0. Approved.
- B. Budget Adoption
 - 1. Resolution #02-23-24: Appropriations Transfer for 2023-2024 Budget
 - a. Bob Morin made a motion to adopt Resolution 02-23-24 for an intrafund transfer budget appropriations for the 2023-2024 year. Jack Dailey seconded. Vote: Yes 5, No 0. Approved.
 - 2. Resolution #03-23-24: 2024-2025 Budget Adoption
 - a. Bonnie Booher made a motion to accept Resolution 03-23-24 to adopt the budget. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of the Reedsport School District hereby adopts the budget for fiscal year 2024-2025 in the total amount of \$15,662,266.81. BE IT RESOLVED that the amounts shown below are hereby appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, for the following purposes: General Fund \$9,368,889, Special Revenue Funds \$3,313,291, Fiduciary Funds \$261,465, Debt Service Funds \$1,079,710, Internal Service Funds \$39,325, and Capital Projects Funds \$650,000, total appropriations of all funds \$14,530,681. The total adopted budget is \$15,662,267. BE IT RESOLVED that the following ad valorem property taxes are hereby imposed upon the assessed value of all taxable property within the district for tax year 2024-2025: At the rate Q/\$4.3788 per \$1,000 of assessed value for permanent rate tax; and in the amount of \$702,909 for bonds. BE IT RESOLVED that the taxes imposed are hereby categorized for purposes of Article XI section 11b as Subject to the Education Limitation Permanent Rate Tax \$4.3788/\$1,000 and Outside the Education Limitation General Obligation Bonds \$702,909. Jack Dailey seconded. Vote: Yes 5, No 0. Approved.

XIII. DISCUSSION

A. The board discussed the issue of charging families for their students to play sports in the district. The community members in the audience did not think it would be helpful to require fees to play school sports. It is not a good source of revenue. Athletic families pay other expenses associated with playing a sport. It helps as an encouragement to students to keep their grades up. Sports keep kids accountable academically and out of trouble. It is agreed

- that there would continue to be no costs to play sports.
- B. Board would like to make the move to random drug testing for student-athletes. A random number generator will be implemented to choose students for testing.
- C. Will the district choose to create a lease agreement for Head Start or continue to allow them to use the property without a fee?
 - Head Start is grant-funded, they do have the funds. Coquille is charging rent to their Head Start program for \$1,800 a month for one classroom. We would have two classrooms in the Reedsport district. There would be 10 months of revenue because they close for the summer months.
 - a. The board would like to know if charging rent will reduce services to the students in the Head Start program. Jon will get feedback from Head Start and inform the board.

XIV. COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Reference Community Comments guidelines previously stated in the agenda.

- A. Kim Clardy read a prepared statement sharing their opinions on budget, public records requests, and district staff.
- B. Linda Deardorff spoke about their request for the full compensation package for the superintendent including salary, insurance, and benefits.
- C. Rod Murphey spoke about their concerns regarding the bullying in the district among students and with student-athletes.
- D. Sandy Donnelly spoke about the education scholarships provided by the Reedsport community in the amount of \$98,000 for our graduating seniors.

XV. RESUME EXECUTIVE SESSION

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XVI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- A. Jack Dailey would like to thank everyone who showed up and appreciates the community involvement in the board meetings.
- B. Bonnie Booher would like to say that scholarship night was wonderful, and it was great to see how the community supported our students.
- C. Carey Jones would like to express his appreciation for the veteran of the Vietnam war that spoke at the scholarship night. He spoke from the heart and shared their appreciation for the number of students who submitted scholarship applications. They were able to provide three scholarships to Reedsport graduates.

D. Carrie Oldright who joined our outdoor school students at camp as the nurse shared how amazing and beneficial the camp was for many of our students, Sr. high student counselors, and educators who took part and she is excited to see this program expand in the future.

XVII. ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION @ 9:30 PM

XVIII.FUTURE AGENDAS

- A. June 25th @ 4:00 PM Executive Session @ District Office
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XIX. ADJOURNMENT @ 9:31 PM

Submitted by Sharmen Tipton, Reedsport School District Executive Assistant / Board Secretary

Carey Jones, Board Chair

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