

Greater Albany Public School District 8J  
718 Seventh Avenue SW  
Albany, Oregon 97321-2399



## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

May 12, 2014 7:00 p.m.

### **Minutes**

*Maria Delapoer, Superintendent*

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair Bricker called the regular meeting of the School Board to order at 7:00 p.m.

Frank Bricker	Board Chair
Jerry Boehme	Board Vice Chair
Sandi Gordon	Director
Lyle Utt	Director
Micah Smith	Director
Nate Burman	gave advance notice of his absence
Jessica Dilbone	Student Board Member
Maria Delapoer	Superintendent
Frank Caropelo	Assistant Superintendent
Randy Lary	Human Resources Director
Russell Allen	Business and Operations Director

A list of others present at the meeting is filed with the original minutes. It was noted that a quorum of the Board was present.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Girl Scout Troop 20215 led participants in the Pledge of Allegiance. Susan Phillips is the Troop Leader.

#### **CORE PURPOSE/GOALS**

Student School Board Member Jessica Dilbone began the meeting with a review of the district's Core Purpose and Strategic Goals:

**Core Purpose:** Educate and inspire all students to reach their full potential, equipped to be positive, contributing members of society.

**Strategic Goals:**

- We provide every student with challenging and motivating learning experiences that lead to continuous growth.
- We instill in every student the character traits that enable them to understand and interact in the world, appreciating and valuing differences.
- Our students thrive because every community member is a stakeholder and takes responsibility for the success of every student.

**SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT**

Superintendent Maria Delapoer introduced Tonja Everest and said that she was recommending Ms. Everest to be the next assistant superintendent. She said that Ms. Everest has been a principal in several districts including ours and was currently the Elementary Curriculum Director. She said that Ms. Everest was well versed in the business of the district.

**TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**

Superintendent Maria Delapoer read a proclamation from the Greater Albany School Board declaring May 12-16, 2014 as Teacher Appreciation Week.

**CALAPOOIA MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT REPORTER**

Executive Assistant Jim Haggart said that Alex King is an eighth grader at Calapooia Middle School. He said that Alex is taking Algebra, Advanced Science, Language Arts, Social Studies, Teacher Aide and PE. He said that Alex enjoys the challenge of Math.

He said that Alex is an Aide with PE teacher Ms. Stadstad, participates in club soccer, rec league lacrosse, and he coaches 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders in soccer at the Boys and Girls Club. He also participates in his church youth group. His sister Meghan is an 11<sup>th</sup> grader at South Albany High School. His parents are Wendy and Alan King.

Board Chair Bricker welcomed Alex King.

**STUDENT REPORTER**

Calapooia Middle School Student Reporter Alex King addressed the Board. A copy of his presentation will be a part of the permanent record of this meeting.

**SPELLING CONTEST WINNERS**

Assistant Superintendent Frank Caropelo introduced Calapooia Middle School teacher Sue McGrory, organizer of the district spelling contest, and said that she would announce the students earning first, second and third place in the district and regional spelling contests.

Ms. McGrory said that the district spelling contest was held on April 22 at Calapooia Middle School. She said that at the elementary level, the winners were: first place, Paige Rogers; second place, Jackson Groch and third place, Azlynn Warren. She said that at the middle school level, the winners were: first place, Torin Christensen; second place, Lane Giboney; and third place Charlie DeRose. She said that at the high school level, the winners were: first place, Thereon Benedict; second place, Chance Becknal; and third place Gustavo Morales-Aparicio.

**CHARACTER EDUCATION POSTER CONTEST WINNERS**

Assistant Superintendent Frank Caropelo introduced district PBIS Coordinator Kelley Guilliot and stated that she would announce the winners of the district Character Education Poster contest.

Ms. Guilliot said that art entries were received in four age group categories; primary, elementary, middle and high school. She said that Norah DeYoung, Madison Ward, Kira Smiley and Alyssa

Rogers submitted winning entries. She said that each student would receive a framed copy of their original entry and the winning art entries were incorporated into a poster which would be displayed in the district office and distributed to each of the district schools.

Ms. Guilliot gave each student a framed copy of their artwork.

### **STUDENT ALL-STARS**

Katie Johnson of Oak Elementary; Derek Horton and Akaiah Altstock of Tangent Elementary and Josue Ramirez-Nunez, Luis Remes and Evan Lathrop of South Shore Elementary School were recognized for school and community service. Sarah Hamilton, Karlie Guilliot and Samantha Mattingly of Liberty Elementary and Jaxon Kruse and Rayn Keown of Lafayette Elementary School were also recognized.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1) Minutes from April 28, 2014 Regular Board Meeting
- 2) Personnel (with Addendum)
- 3) Budget Committee Members

Board Chair Bricker stated that if there were no objections the Board would approve the Consent Agenda. There were no objections. Board Chair Bricker DECLARED THE ACTION DECIDED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Board Chair Bricker congratulated Ms. Everest on her new assignment.

Ms. Everest thanked the Board for the opportunity. She said that she was excited to be able to continue to work with the Curriculum Department.

### **BOARD REPORTS**

#### **LEGISLATIVE LIAISON REPORT**

None.

#### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

None

#### **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Director Utt said that he was a chaperone for the Memorial Middle School seventh grade trip to the zoo in Portland. He said that the event was very well organized and the students were well behaved.

Director Smith spoke of the School Safety Subcommittee. He said that he received several emails asking for clarification regarding procedures. He said that he heard from students, parents and staff about their involvement in drills and things seem to be going well. He said that the overwhelming statement he has heard was, "Wow, this is really simple." He said that the language is the same

across the district and it communicates very well. He said that the standard response protocol was being received very well.

***STUDENT REPORT***

South Albany High School Student Reporter Jessica Dilbone said that the school play was fantastic and well directed. She said that the school conducted an eighth grade welcoming dance which was very well attended. She said that an eighth grader told her that it was the best part of the weekend. She said that spring sports were wrapping up and the school prom would be that Saturday.

Board Chair Bricker thanked Miss Dilbone for her report.

**DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN**  
***GOAL 2, CHARACTER EDUCATION/PBIS***

Assistant Superintendent Frank Caropelo introduced Tangent Elementary School Principal Kelley Guilliot and stated that she had led this year's "Green Zone PBIS" program. He explained that "PBIS" was Positive Behavior Intervention Support, a program widely used within the district. He said that the South Albany High School RISE Club would later address the Board and describe their work.

Ms. Guilliot thanked the Board for the opportunity to be a parent, a principal and a PBIS Coordinator at the meeting.

She said that this year she had the charge of working with PBIS in the "Green Zone." She said that information in the Board packet described some of the work this year. She said that she would review the PBIS program and then have some people describe how they were implementing the reinvigoration of the Green Zone.

Ms. Guilliot said that PBIS was a positive approach to maintaining and reinforcing positive behavior in the school environment. She said that it was about reinforcing what you want the student to do, rather than what you want them not to do. She said that the rules of the PBIS program are to be respectful and responsible and the schools take that and individualize the structure for their specific campus.

She said that the rules were taught throughout the K-12 education. She said that at the elementary level, the material was taught several times year at set intervals. She said that the intent was that every student would begin with an understanding of what was expected of them. She said that the schools practice and practice. She explained that just telling someone about the rules was not what was going to get through to them. She said that students needed to do it with full body and be shown how it needed to work. She said that clear expectations must be in place, they must be taught and they must be practiced.

Ms. Guilliot said that PBIS acknowledges students for doing what we want them to do. She said that the program emphasizes prevention, teaching replacement behavior, and letting students practice them while being reinforced in all of the different settings.

She said that how adults implement PBIS in their schools will have a big impact. She said that the manner in which reinforcement is provided is very important. She provided examples of constructive feedback.

Ms. Guilliot said that the PBIS program has been in place in the district for more than ten years. She said that PBIS coordinator Sandi Washburn has worked really hard to keep all levels of PBIS going. She said that a challenge was keeping the program fresh and new for students. She said that once the program was in place, there had to be core team to examine the data and measure its effectiveness. She provided examples of the work of the team.

She said that schools which have implemented school-wide PBIS have experienced a one-third reduction in office referrals, a two-thirds reduction in suspensions and expulsions, an increase in attendance, an increase in staff and student morale, and an increase in parent and family involvement. Ms. Guilliot said that she invited representatives from the three school levels to describe PBIS at their school.

Liberty Teacher Margo DeYoung said that during the previous spring, her school revamped the PBIS program at their school and went with a "Superstar" theme. She said that the school polled the then fourth graders about what kind of prizes would be exciting to them. She said that awards included monetary and non-monetary prizes at every level. She said that the non-monetary things included positive phone calls home. She said that at the request of one student, one of the fifth grade teachers called on a speaker phone in front of the entire class.

She said that other awards were based upon the character traits of the month. She said that there was also a mileage club for children walking or running on the track of the nearby West Albany High School track.

Teacher Kilee Sowa said that she was the PBIS facilitator for Memorial Middle School. She said that some of the ways that the school invigorated the "Green-Zone" included making "Bear Bucks" more enticing. She provided examples as to how the students could earn recognition.

She said that that the school revamped the student store from just a cart in the hallway with things like Jolly Ranchers candy and pencils, to an actual student store with fifty different things available for purchase with "Bear Bucks." She said that snacks were popular as were mechanical pencils and binders. She said that the program was funded through grants and school fundraising such as cookie-dough sales.

Ms. Sowa explained that the standards-based report cards contained an effort grade. She said that under the new grading system, homework could no longer be considered into their academic grade. She said that to entice students to be more interested in their effort grade, the school created "Gold Cards." She said that the incentive was available to any student and was based solely upon effort. She said that a student who was coming to class, turning in their homework, participating in discussions and doing their best they could earn a Gold Card. She said that a Gold Card offered students different privileges throughout the week such as going to the front of the lunch line on Mondays, or leaving class two minutes early on Friday. She said that the school had an unused

classroom that was made into a student lounge and on Wednesdays, students with a Gold Card could eat lunch there. She said that all students, including special needs children, could qualify for the Gold Cards.

Ms. Guilliot said that representatives of South Albany High School would describe the work of the RISE Club.

South Albany High School principal Brent Belveal said that teacher Kelly Angel was selected as the Oregon Leadership Advisor of the year. He said that part of the reason she was selected for the award was due to the students she works with. He said that Ms. Angel would introduce her students and describe the work of the RISE Club.

Ms. Angel stated that during the previous year, the Leadership Class put together a grant request to develop the school's RISE program. She said that school did not receive the grant but the students continued the program with the help of the Albany Public Schools Foundation and community member Mike Speten. She invited Student Chair Ashley Balck to address the Board.

Miss Balck said that RISE stands for "Rebels Inspiring Students Everywhere." She said that the club's objective was to spread awareness about anti-bullying to elementary schools across Albany. She said that club members inspire students in positive ways. She identified the seven schools the club has visited so far.

She described a typical school assembly which included a mixture of videos, skits, and speaking. She said that the structure was intended to foster safe, respectful and responsible school climates using the Positive Behavior Instruction Support framework. She said that club members were reaching out to elementary students to stop them from a potential life of bullying. She said that they wanted to stop them and show how they could change before they went to middle and high school.

Miss Balck thanked Ms. Angel and Mr. Belveal for allowing the project to happen. She also thanked all of her volunteers for their participation.

## **REPORTS**

### **MCKINSTRY UPDATE**

Business and Operations Director Russ Allen introduced Facilities Supervisor Doug Pigman, and representatives from McKinstry and CCI (controls subcontractor) and said that they would provide a status update of the district-wide energy controls project.

Mr. Tom Konicke from McKinstry said that the team has made significant progress since his last report. He said that the project was 54% complete. He said that there were eight schools that were 100% complete and three schools in the 90% complete category.

He said that there were five buildings that were in the "Yellow" area which was the current focus of the team's work. He said that Timber Ridge School and North Albany Middle School would be the next buildings on the work schedule.

Director Smith said that appeared that a second work team was added. Mr. Konicke said that was correct.

Director Smith noted that this report was the first to include the District Office and the Grand Prairie Physical Plant structures. He asked if other schools would be added to the report. Mr. Konicke replied that the reported included all district buildings. He said that he did not foresee any unusual challenges with the district office or physical plant buildings.

Director Smith referred to the eight schools that were accepted. He asked about training of the Facilities Department staff. Mr. Konicke and Mr. Pigman responded.

Mr. Matt Williams from CCI said that because the project was so large, the team devoted several hours each Friday to training. He described how the training was conducted.

Director Boehme noted that the report indicated that the project was 54% complete. He asked what that meant. Mr. Konicke replied that it was a task by task summary of the project.

Director Boehme asked how the projects were prioritized. Mr. Konicke that the elementary schools systems were more complicated.

Director Boehme asked if the project would be easier this summer with children out of the buildings. Mr. Williams replied that the schedule was not rated by difficulty. He said that some of the schools have just one controller and the work requires less than one day. He said that each school had the same weight as to the percentage completion as the larger schools. He said that Timber Ridge School, which had 75 controllers, would require six weeks of work.

Director Boehme Jerry asked if the project would push to the end of the year. Mr. Konicke said that it would. He described the fine-tuning processes.

Director Utt said that he appreciated the work of McKinstry and CCI.

Director Smith said that he appreciated the in-person contacts on a regular basis.

Mr. Pigman said that the Albany Options School building was one of the most complicated structures from a controls point of view. He said that the building staff told him that the HVAC system operation was now the most consistent it had been in its seven years.

### ***NUTRITION SERVICES FINANCIALS***

Business and Operations Director Russ Allen said that at the last Board meeting, the directors spoke briefly about the nutrition services program and the possibility that the department was headed in a financial direction that it did not want to be, but he wanted to ensure that the Board was aware of his concern. He said that at the beginning of the year, the projection from Sodexo was that the department would be close to breaking even. He said, however, that there were more recent indications that the department might not make that objective. He said that the nutrition and business offices were working to more closely identify those projections. He said that information

in the packets contained the department's best estimates. He introduced Nutrition Services Director Sharon Short and stated that she would deliver a report on projected year-end fund revenues and expenditures.

Ms. Short said that from September to December, the department was optimistic about meeting the projected budget targets, as revenues were up and expenditures were down. She said that, unfortunately, the tide turned in December due to the loss of revenue from eight snow days as well as a continued reduction in participation in the Breakfast in the Classroom program at Sunrise School.

She explained that one day of lost service typically equals 2,600 breakfasts, 4,000 lunches, 500 suppers and \$575 in a la carte sales.

Ms. Short said that another hurdle was the Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act which continued to impact the program by eliminating food choices. She said that the regulations strictly regulate the amount of sugar and salt in foods. She said that the more bland foods are less appealing to children. She said that the whole grains restriction has improved nutrition in certain foods but the grains adversely impact the color, texture, and taste of some of the products.

She said that often, students "eat with their eyes." She said that some of the grain products that used to be white are now brown and that makes a difference to children. She said that is one of the factors that causes children to not take a food item.

Ms. Short said that her department was continuing to offer new items to attract new diners, but students tended to pick the same food item time after time.

She said that a la carte sales continued to drop due to tight regulations from House Bill 2650 which eliminated the ability to sell foods of minimal nutritional value.

Ms. Short said that the primary category for declining revenue was in paid meals which were down by 9.2 percent. She said, however, that there was a slight increase in free lunch participation and catering sales this month as well as an increase in supper participation at the Community After School Program and the Boys and Girls Club of Albany.

She explained that labor costs were typically the second highest expense in the food service industry. She said that industry standards typically calculate labor costs at 30-35% of total sales. She said that in the Greater Albany district, labor costs were 48.9%. She said that the higher labor expense put a strain on the goal of break-even or better.

Ms. Short said that although she was projecting a deficit, the department would continue its efforts to increase participation and reduce costs wherever possible. She spoke of new offerings to attract more participation. She also detailed plans for the summer meal program.

She spoke of the free and reduced fee meal program. She said that of the students approved for the program, 294 were not eating breakfast daily. She said that the potential increase for breakfast participation could be substantial.

Ms. Short said that she would deliver a complete report at the June 23 meeting and would have a more accurate financial picture then.

Director Gordon spoke of snacks being given away as student conduct incentives at Memorial Middle School. She asked how that program competed against food sales. Ms. Short said that since the food was being given away, it was not considered a competition. She said that Oregon Department of Education directives applied only to food sales.

Director Boehme asked if other districts were seeing the same challenges. Ms. Short replied that the nutrition services departments at other districts were having similar challenges but she did not have specifics.

Director Boehme asked about the Breakfast in the Classroom program at Sunrise Elementary School. Ms. Short explained that the meals were removed from some of the classrooms and children instead eat in three centralized locations at the school so as to not interfere with instructional time. She said that participation was much better when children ate in their classrooms as a family.

Director Boehme estimated that children who previously ate in the classroom, and chose not participate in breakfast at the centralized locations, were probably going hungry. Mr. Caropelo said that was possible.

Director Smith said that he previously observed the Sunrise School Breakfast in the Classroom and believed it was well participated, but he noted that part of it occurred during the instructional day.

Ms. Short explained that at Sunrise School, kinders and first graders eat in their classrooms and children in the other grades ate in the gymnasium.

Director Gordon suggested that the district come up with best practices for the Breakfast in the Classroom program.

Ms. Delapoer said that staff would follow-up on the issue.

Board Chair Bricker stated that if the nutrition services office was going to continue to be under more restrictions, it might be necessary to move away from a break-even posture for the department.

#### ***SOUTH ALBANY HIGH SCHOOL TURF FIELD FINANCING UPDATE***

South Albany High School principal Brent Belveal said that he would provide an update on a proposal to install a turf field at South Albany High School. He said that he would discuss options to arrange for financing for the cost of construction not already obtained in contributions or offset with donations in-kind.

He said that information in the Board packets indicated where the project was. He said that he had roughly \$300,000 in in-kind donations and \$300,000 in cash donations from large contributors and

he was now working with many smaller donors to fill the gaps that remained. He said that the committee was excited and that community excitement was growing for the many possible uses and the growth of events and opportunities that a facility like this would bring for our children. He said that the bottom line was that the community needed a facility like this and the committee was working very hard to make it happen now, rather than in the future. He said that he believed that the momentum was available now for the completion of the project this summer.

He said that for the project to work, the school district needed to play a role. He said that he also understood that there were many ways to look at the project and say "wait." He said that he has been in the district for 31 years and he remembered the technology conversations before computers were introduced in the schools. He said that critics were concerned that computers would adversely impact education. He said that his classroom was the first to receive computers because someone else said "regardless of the what-ifs, we are going to take this step forward." He said that he believed that the district was in the same place with a turf facility. He said that sometimes, necessity meant having to move forward.

Mr. Belveal said that the Board packets contained marketing information for promoting the project. He said that he was asking the Board for \$240,000 in financial support. He said that the Field Turf Company was offering financing at a rate that appeared to be a better than what was available from a local bank.

Director Smith said that the turf field would be a capital asset for which the district would assume responsibility. He asked of the cost to replace the turf surface.

Mr. Belveal replied noted that the warrantee was eight years, but a ten year life was typical. He said that it would be a matter of removing the old surface and replacing the turf material. He estimated the expense at \$325,000 or about a third of the project cost in today's dollars.

Director Utt asked of the estimated community financial impact. Mr. Belveal said that it would be difficult to calculate, although the City of Lebanon was attempting to measure the impact of their turf field.

Director Gordon said that another city with a turf field saw a 15 percent increase in lodging sales. She estimated that it might take several years for Albany to see a similar impact.

Director Boehme said that Santiam Christian School had an organization that installed a turf surface on the school's football field and the results were somewhat unsatisfactory. He said that when the school wished to cover its baseball field with turf, they called Field Turf who sent a project manager who was at the site frequently and insured that the installation was done correctly.

Board Chair Bricker asked of firm bids. Mr. Belveal said that he had final engineering plans and a firm dollar amount from Field Turf, but he did not have a firm bid for the excavation, although the cost estimate was close. He added that he thought the in-kind donations would grow.

Board Chair Bricker asked of fund-raising. Mr. Belveal estimated that he had received \$40,000 thus far from small donors. He said that the committee really had until the end of the month to

wrap-up the donations. He estimated that at the rate the small donations were coming in, he thought that the committee would be in pretty good shape.

Director Gordon spoke of the possibility of a large donor coming forward before May 20.

Director Boehme said that the sports foundation itself had money.

Director Smith said that the suggested district contribution was \$30,000 annually for eight years. He asked of possible savings in maintenance from not servicing a grass field. Mr. Allen estimated \$12,000 in district costs avoided as compared to the expense of maintaining a grass surface. He said that about a third of that amount was for water and the district would soon install a well. He said that he was unsure about all the costs of maintaining a turf field. He said that the expense of sanitizing a turf field was an unknown.

Mr. Belveal said that the community was willing to raise three quarters of the cost of the project and he was asking the district to pay for one quarter. Mr. Belveal said that this project would serve many youth, over the next ten years, in a cooperative way.

Director Smith suggested that there be a discussion as to how the Board would consider project requests from other district schools. Mr. Belveal suggested that the Board would look at the greater good, and the quantity of children that the facility would serve. He said that this project be one that would serve a whole lot of children over the next ten years, in a cooperative way with a whole lot of groups in the community. He said that there was much good will to be had.

Superintendent Delapoe referred to the school bond and described how the Board members at that time established priorities. She said that the current directors would be equally capable of making a similar analysis.

Director Gordon said that the district had approximately \$780,000 in the facilities grant. She proposed giving \$240,000 from that grant to South Albany High School to complete the turf project. She further proposed to give the same amount to West Albany High School for seed money for the school's own turf project. She suggested that the money would go to improving the district.

Director Boehme asked if the thought was to pay \$30,000 each year to replenish the facilities fund. Ms. Gordon said that could be done if the Board directed. Mr. Allen said that he would check the balance of the fund.

Mr. Allen said that there was no requirement to go with a bank loan, especially as Field Turf was offering a better interest rate. He said that state statutes also permit a district, by resolution, to do an inter-fund loan. He said that the district could essentially borrow money from itself.

Director Smith asked, if the Board moved forward with \$30,000 and final costs figures and donor contributions came in and the committee did not need the \$30,000, would the committee come back to the Board? Mr. Belveal replied that he thought that the committee would first verify it had

the necessary funding, before it came back to the Board and said, "Here is your money back." He said that in the best case scenario, it would be great if the committee could walk away with the project paid for.

Director Smith asked if any thought was given to usage fees. He asked if between now and when the money needed to be paid back year after year, if the field was bringing in the money necessary to maintain the field and promote events on the surface, he asked if there was any discussion to absolving the district of their contribution at that point and making the district whole again to continue this venture for other groups that may present similar scenarios. Mr. Belveal said that other schools were not seeing significant revenue from usage fees. He said that the economic impact would be from people coming into the area and spending their money on food and lodging. Mr. Allen said that the district could re-examine existing facility use fees. He said that there was not an existing mechanism for renting out the football fields.

Ms. Delapoer asked about timelines, noting that the next regular meeting of the Board would be June 2. She suggested that it might be necessary for the Board to take some kind of action that evening.

Mr. Belveal said that this was Field Turf's busiest time of the year and he wanted to get on the company's planning calendar before May 20.

Ms. Delapoer said that she and Mr. Allen were comfortable in financing through Turf Fields. She said that the district needed safety upgrades which could be funded through the facilities grant. She said that it was her recommendation to finance through Field Turf.

Board Chair Bricker spoke of spending money wisely. He suggested that before the district took any money from those accounts, the district should carefully consider all its spending needs.

He spoke of the construction excise tax money. He said that the money should stay where it was. He said that the program was put into place to build a new school when a new school was needed.

Director Utt agreed with Bricker's comments about having the funds to build a school in the future.

Director Smith asked if there would be advertisements or business logos on the field of play. Mr. Belveal said that there would not, but it might be possible to do so on the sidelines. He said that some of the large contributors might have an interest in some kind of branding on the field. Mr. Belveal said that the Boys and Girls Club might wish to have some kind of name recognition.

Director Smith said that financing through Field Turf made the most sense. He said that his questions showed their diligence of the Board. He said that he was willing to commit the Board to \$30,000 this year and adjust as necessary for future years.

Director Smith moved to finance through Field Turf and to commit to \$30,000 in the first year.

Mr. Allen said that the Board needed to identify the amount that it would obligate. He said that the Directors could come back later to identify the financing source or the actual amount required.

Director Smith recalled his motion.

Director Smith moved to approve the expenditure of up to \$240,000 for the turf project. Motion APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Director Smith moved to grant approval for the committee to move forward with the project and schedule construction with Field Turf and return in June for final approval if sufficient financial commitments to meet the budget have been secured. Motion APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **CITY POOL LEASE**

Business and Operations Director Russ Allen said that the district has had an existing agreement for several years with the City of Albany for the operation of the swimming pool. He said that the parties recently became aware that the lease had expired. He said that the document in the Board packets was essentially an extension of the previous agreement. He said that the previous conditions seemed to be working for all parties.

Board Chair Bricker directed that the document be returned to the Board at the Consent Agenda of the next meeting.

#### **TEXTBOOK ADOPTION**

Board Chair Bricker postponed the discussion to next meeting. He directed the topic be returned to the Board at the Old Business agenda.

#### **SCHOOL BUS FINANCING**

Business and Operations Director Russ Allen said that the Board previously approved the purchase of six new buses. He said that the discussion that evening would be about the financing of that purchase. He said that he asked financial institutions for their all-inclusive proposals. He said that the district received two replies and the lower bid was a company that the district had used before.

He said that at the next meeting he would request the Board's approval of financing \$649,709 with Municipal Asset Management Inc. for the purchase of six new school buses. He said that repayment would be in 15 semi-annual payments of \$47,569.46 for a 90 month term with the first payment beginning February 1, 2015.

Board Chair Bricker directed that the topic be returned to the Board at the Old Business agenda.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Board Chair Bricker said that the next Regular Board Meeting would be June 2, 2014.

Board Chair Bricker adjourned the Board meeting at 9:38 p.m.

---

Frank Bricker, Board Chair

---

Maria Delapoer, Superintendent

(Recorded by Jim Haggart)

Business and Report Items - Document Reference (filed with original minutes)