

Insight School of Oregon Painted Hills School Minutes

Topic: Online Oregon Schools Monthly School Board Meeting Start Time: August 25, 2022

Meeting Recording: Topic: Online Oregon Schools Monthly School Board Meeting

I. PRELIMINARY

The meeting was called to order by Chet Edwards at 11:39 AM

Board Members Present: Chet Edwards, Harold "Skip" Adams, Carleen Drago-Starr

Board Member(s) Absent: Tonya Rogers

Quorum Established: Yes

ISORPH Staff Members Present: Melissa Hausmann, Yancey Fall, Dianne Hendrix, Chelsea Gill, and Carrie

Quinn

Visitors: Sheila Shiebler Sarah Olivas

Agenda Additions/Deletions:

No additions/deletions.

II. <u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>

A. Public Comments

None presented

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION

a. Melissa Hausmann - Executive Director

School Updates:

Academics Presentation

Carrie Quinn, High School Principal and Chelsea Gill, K-8 Principal shared some of their school highlights from last year, and the last two weeks in preparation for the current school year. Students will begin courses next week.

Carrie Quinn shared about passing, dropout and graduation rates for the 2021-22 SY. Year over year passing rates improved by grade levels and our ninth grade at 80% for ORDCA. Our seniors were between 86% to 97%. This is the highest rising rates were ever seen. Success for

high school students is being attributed to the options of taking courses in quarters vs. semesters, this has helped to personalize options for our students. Most of our Insight students are on this program. As students have seen academic success, we have been about to build on that success and add credit recovery courses.

Our graduation rates are "internal numbers." The final graduation rates will be available this fall. Graduation rates increased dramatically year over year with CVA having their first graduates.

We have had a strong focus on decreasing our dropout rates. Yancey Fall and Eileen Armstrong have both worked very hard on this area for our students. Making sure students are right fit in their respective schools or if they drop out, ensure that they are receiving a quality education elsewhere or working to re-enroll and keep them moving forward in their education.

This year, all of our high school teachers have returned, this is a first year over year. The impact has been positive on our culture and our staff trusts us. We have focused for the first two weeks on Office 365 skill building to drive efficiency for teachers.

Student counsel and opportunities for students to connect and be part of a community/teams has been impactful for our students and we will continue to grow these opportunities.

Chet congratulated Carrie on the success of the team and for making a positive impact on passing, graduation and dropout rates and promoting strong staff relations.

Carleen Drago asked about the change to offer quarters in addition to semesters as to be a good strategy for students.

Carrie shared the background of the research and decision making that went into adding the option of the quarter system.

Melissa shared that we have seen great success for our students to work at a more accelerated pace on fewer courses in the quarter system. This hybrid opportunity has offered more options for students to choose from and has drove our passing and graduation rates in a positive manner. It has also had great impact on students passing credit recovery courses.

Skip shared those students who experience success build on that success to accelerate their accomplishment of passing classes and building confidence.

Chelsea Gill took over middle school in February 2022. We had a couple of middle school staff stay on this summer for planning on how to strongly prepare for this school year. Our main goal for both elementary and middle school is focusing on being purposeful. There is a reason and support for what we do. We have focused on reading with close monitoring and focus on phonics. We are providing targeted intensive support for students who are struggling by using a course monitoring system. This focus is so they won't fall behind and consequently won't need credit recovery courses when they get to high school. Within two months of implements this strategy our engagement increased from 70-89% for 6-8 grade students. This resulted in stronger passing rates year over year as well.

Elementary celebrations are reading, engagement and passing all courses. Success is contributed to using the Phonics First reading program. This resulted in a 5% growth in February. We also implemented the same progress monitoring for students K-5 in October of last year. This resulted in a 32% increase in student engagement. We have also experienced an 11% gain in passing rates. We are continuing our focus on being purposeful and our staff are really excited to hit the ground running.

Skip shared that is quite excellent.

Chet appreciated both the High School and K-8 on their successes for last year and preparation for the current school year.

In a weeks' time we went from 925 students fully enrolled to 978 students enrolled. A lot of times students don't come to us until the brick-and-mortar schools have already started. We are seeing a pickup of students enrolling and moving to approved. At this time, we still have 254 students not approved and are working through the approval process. The conversion rate over the summer was in the 22% range, as of recent it has jumped to 45%.

In July, Chet and Melissa attended the Stride Board Partner Summit in Virginia. The was a great time to get acquainted and attend learning sessions together. This is a summit hopes to hold annually. Melissa extended the invitation next spring to all school board members. It is a nice way to see all the offerings that Stride offers our students and staff.

Chet shared about his experience at the Summit. One highlight was the focus on using video games to enhance education.

We have received an official resignation from Tonya Rogers, board secretary. In addition, we would like to change board roles for Carleen Drago to become the new board secretary.

Mary Blazer has applied for the Special Education Academics Administrator. At this time, she is the top candidate for the position so we would like to present the non-waiver hire letter regarding Mary Blazer. This will allow Stride to make an offer of employment to Mary.

Stride Board Partner Summit Recap

Action items for this meeting:

Resignation of Tonya Rogers, board secretary Carleen Drago, change board role from member to secretary

Next School Board Meeting – September 15, 2022 @11:30 a.m.

C. Finance – Sarah Olivas

Sarah presented the K12 Finance report.

Overview and Key Assumptions FY23 P & L Forecast vs. Budget FY23 Restricted Funds

Balance Sheet Cash Flow

Overview and Key Assumptions

Not a lot of changes, enrollments are flat compared to the budget. We did receive a donation from Spreading Kindness for \$750 which positively impacted revenue. Expenses decreased by (\$378K) (-16%) primarily due to staffing updates and aligning student charges to FY22 per pupil rates.

It looks like we have a good handle on a realistic budget for the 2022-23 SY. Current forecast for student enrollment is 1,147.

Chet said that was a big improvement for the budget to be aligned to actual enrollment.

FY23 P&L Forecast vs. 1+11

This is a comparison of the approved budget versus the 1+11. To make sure that we maintain accurate ratios of staff to students, due to lower enrollment, we will not backfill if there is a resignation. Teacher, student curriculum, materials and computers are budgeted at the end of the FY22 per pupil rate. We also saved -\$30K due to delated hiring. Overall, we have improved the deficit by \$82K.

FY Prior Forecast vs. 1-11

From prior forecasts we have saved fifty thousand dollars saved from the teacher resignation and the -\$30K in delated hiring salary savings.

FY23 Restricted Funds

Measure 98 Grant (High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness) FY Grant allocation \$424,025

Carry Over \$9,990

FY 22 Available \$434,015

Total FY spending to date (\$22,271)

Balance \$411,744

ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act)

FY 22 Grant allocation \$43,038

Carryover is \$14,498

FY22 Available \$57,536

Spent to date (\$6,212)

Balance \$51,324

Summer Learning Grant

FY22 Allocation \$215,000

25% Match \$53,570

FY22 Summer School Estimate \$268,750

Spent to date \$57,984

Balance \$210,766

We are still waiting for invoices to come in. Next month we will have a better balance.

Balance Sheet

The June column has not been audited. We are sitting at \$1,639,941in cash. We expect to pay back to the district (\$184,281) due to overpayment from ODE based on higher enrollment numbers. Vince is aware this may happen again this year. We are very aware we are receiving more funding than the students we have enrollment and are prepared to pay these monies back. K12 will issue balanced budget credits to offset.

Chet asked if we were in the black. Sarah addressed his questions by sharing the K12 will offset with balanced budget credits. We are aware that ODE is paying based on 1,400 enrollment and our actual enrollment is around 1,100. The state will either ask for it back or stop paying in January like they did last year. We'll limit the payments to K12 to ensure that the school can pay back the cash to the state in addition to paying the bills.

FY21 & FY22 Accounts Payable

Because the student count increased so much specifically for CVA, there was a surplus of about \$842,198K, due to the agreement with K12 \$260,975 will be paid to K12 as a performance fee. This will reduce CVA's surplus funds.

The total FY22 balance due to K12 is \$3,052,157.44 of that K12 will issue (\$2,877,813.00), leaving a total balance due of \$435,319.44. These funds will be applied to the oldest invoices on record.

Cash flow: Balance as of 7/31/22 is \$3,228,526, due to K12 7/31/22 \$3,313,132.44, proposed payment to K12 for June \$435,319.44. With this payment it will clear all the amounts owed to K12.

Chet inquired that when the proposed payment to K12 would even us out at the end of the fiscal year?

Sarah replied yes it would.

Consent Agenda Items

K12 Invoice payment, School Board Meeting Minutes_20220721, July 2022 Disbursements and Bank Reconciliation, and August 2022 Personnel Report.

It is recommended that the Board approve consent agenda items as presented.

Motion: Harold "Skip" Adams

Second: Carleen Drago

Vote: All approved. Chet Edwards, Harold "Skip" Adams, Carleen Drago (3-0)

III. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

A. It is recommended that the ISOR-PH Board approve the resignation of Tonya Rogers, board member.

Motion: Harold "Skip" Adams

Second: Carleen Drago

Vote: All approved. Chet Edwards, Harold "Skip" Adams, Carleen Drago (3-0)

B. It is recommended that the ISOR-PH Board approve the adoption of Carleen Drago as Board Secretary

Motion: Harold "Skip" Adams

Second: Carleen Drago

Vote: All approved. Chet Edwards, Harold "Skip" Adams, Carleen Drago (3-0)

Meeting was adjourned at 12:20 PM