

**NEWPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

July 28, 2015

1. The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Newport School District was called to order by Director Owen at 12:00 p.m. in the District Board Room.
2. Roll Call: Jim Brewster, Paul Wilson, Mitch Stratton, April Owen, Board of Directors; Dave Smith, Superintendent and Tom Crouch, Business Manager. There were 5 visitors in attendance.
3. Board Appointment (m): Director Owen mentioned that Director Cordes has resigned his position as Board Director. It was also mentioned that Director Owen greatly appreciated his years of service. Motion made by Director Owen that Connie Moore fill the remaining term of Director Cordes as Board of Director, seconded by Director Wilson. Vote was unanimous. Director Owen followed with telling Director Moore, Welcome aboard. A short adjournment began at 12:03 PM to have lunch.
4. Board Meeting began again at 12:10 PM.
5. Motion to approve the agenda with changes, including the consent agenda: Motion made by Director Stratton, seconded by Director Wilson to approve the agenda with the following changes, 5.C, Salary Schedule, moved to 7C. Vote was unanimous.
6. Minutes of the regular meeting held June 23, 2015 were approved as read.
7. Consent Agenda:

A. New Hires:	Janis Holland	21st CCLC Academic Coach, July
	Elizabeth Anheier	School Nurse
B. Resignation:	Alisa Vaughn	Volley Ball Coach
	Laine Carlson	District Secretary
8. Individuals or Groups Wishing to Address the Board:
9. Financial Reports (m) : Tom Crouch
  - A. Approval of June Accounts Payable (m): Warrant numbers 212006 through 212107 totaling \$323,873.24. Motion to approve July accounts payable made by Director Wilson, seconded by Director Brewster. Vote was unanimous.
  - B. Approval of July Payroll (m) : Warrant numbers 211938 through 2122005 totaling \$737,350.00. Motion to approve July payroll made by Director Stratton, seconded by Director Brewster . Vote was unanimous.
  - C. Approval of 2015-16 Salary Schedule (m) : Motion to approve 2015-16 School Year Salary Schedule made by Director Stratton, seconded by Director Brewster. Vote was unanimous.

10. Old Business: None

## 11. New Business:

- A. Budget: Business Manager Tom Crouch presented to the Board Directors a 2015-16 Budget overview. Positive events include the paring of the Grizzly Discovery Center with the Griz Fit Program. It has been a real hit Mr. Crouch said. Director Owen asked if it is the same amount for each year and Mr. Crouch replied that we have to apply each year and it changes each time. We should know in about a month he responded. Mr. Crouch also explained to the Board that in 1978 the State voted on a Basic Ed Act, which limited State funds, one of which was the timber funds. The County has always kept that money but the schools couldn't. This year the Legislature didn't include the Forrest Funds, which totaled \$260,000. That's is a huge windfall that we haven't had since the late 70's, Mr. Crouch said. As of now, it is just for next year so far. The Federal Government has to approve it and so Mr. Couch said he isn't sure if we'll have it back again.
- Mr. Crouch then showed the Board a copy of the Salary Schedule, mentioning that it is the first state increase since 2008, including that the State recognizes that they need to do more for education.
- A few challenges, If the State requires more teachers due to enrollment numbers, we are prepared to hire another Kindergarten teacher if necessary. If the State requires more teachers, it will be a big challenge statewide. Superintendent Smith mentioned that there are not enough teachers for the amount of jobs out there.
- Mr. Crouch said that we were able to pass and approve the hiring of another 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, including that Michele Hunt worked really hard to get it approved.
- There will not be a nursing class this coming school year but we will be offering a robotics class. Superintendent Smith said that we are planning on having a nursing class next year, and that our new school nurse needs to be certified to teach that class.
- Mr. Crouch offered as far as transportation, the legislative session does not apply, and that budget will be the same as last year, \$710,000, with a total in \$780,000 including expenditures. Now we are about \$70,000 behind, but is hoping that number will be reduced, but he budgeted a \$70,000 deficit. Superintendent Smith also included that we are taking on of the biggest hits in the state. We are 100% efficient while other districts in the state are at a 60% efficiency and they are receiving more money.
- Mr. Crouch mentioned that our budget has gone up a lot but that is mainly due to salaries.
- Mr. Crouch then summarized the revenue/expenditures in each of the main funds. Expenditure levels are as follows:
- General Fund: \$12,764,146
  - Capital Projects: 40,000
  - Debt Services Fund: \$662,986
  - Associated Student Body Fund: \$205,000
- Mr. Crouch finished by saying that it is nice to report that we are in good financial shape and that he is pleased that the budget is going in the right direction.
- B. Adoption of Resolution No. 4-2014-2015 – Budget Extension (m) Motion to approve Resolution No. 4-2014-2015 made by Director Wilson, seconded by Director Stratton. Vote was unanimous.



- C. Adoption of Resolution No. 5-2014-2015 – Budget for 2015-2016 School Year  
(m) Motion to approve Resolution No. 5-2014-2015 made by Director Brewster, seconded by Director Wilson. Vote was unanimous.

12. Policies (m):

Policies for first reading: Procedure 3240  
Procedure 2121

Policies for second reading:

13. Miscellaneous:

Director Brewster said that his Misc. is that he doesn't have a misc. but added that we will miss Tom.

Director Owen also said that we will really miss Tom and also thanked Mr. Crouch for all that he has done.

Director Wilson welcomed Director Moore to the Board as did Superintendent Smith. Superintendent Smith also included that Tom has been an awesome guy to work with and that he has helped him out, as a newbie Superintendent. It has been great working with Tom, Mr. Smith said, and he really wishes him the best in his retirement career. Maintenance Supervisor Scott Armstrong mentioned that there has been the normal summer stuff being taken care of.

14. Agenda Items for August 25, 2015 Board Meeting to be held at District Office Board Room at 5:00PM

- A. Financial Reports
- B. Policies

15. Hearing no objections, Director Owen adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 12:50 PM.



Chair/Vice Chair of the Board



Secretary of the Board

08/25/2015

Date