

Chemawa Indian School Board Meeting
March 29, 2019

<u>Members in Attendance:</u>	<u>Guests in Attendance:</u>	<u>Staff in Attendance:</u>
Jason Younker Valerie Switzler Alvena Bush Orlinda Wirth Pamela Johnson		Amanda Ward Ryan Cox Darren Mackaravatiz Rachenda Reynosa Lora Braucher Sarah Thies

Call to Order:

- The Chemawa Indian School Board meeting, held in Salem, Oregon, on March 29, 2019. Meeting called to order at 9:06 am by School Board Chairman, Jason Younker.

Roll Call:

- Members present – Jason Younker, Alvena Bush, Valerie Switzler, Orlinda Wirth, Pamela Johnson, Lora Braucher

Approval of Minutes:

- January 25, 2019 – Regular Meeting

Motion: Moved by Valerie Switzler to approve the January 25, 2019 school board meeting minutes, Orlinda Wirth seconded the motion.

Motion carried

Approval of Agenda:

Chairman, Jason Younker, asked for members to review the Agenda and asked if there were any additions or subtractions that anyone would like to make. There were none. Mr. Younker decided that the agenda was fine and that no vote would be needed.

Reports:

- **Academic, Transportation & Recreation – Amanda Ward, Assistant Principal**

- **Academic** – Presented middle of the year NWEA Reading and Math results, Trimester 2 honor roll, current enrollment, gave funding ADM comparison from 2018
- **Transportation** – Presented information for end of year student travel, advised school board that a centralized travel contract is being considered for ORBS (Off Reservation Boarding Schools) for next year and explained what differences would be expected with that change.
- **Recreation** - Presented on recent dorm trips and dorm tournament successes, Recreation Specialist vacancy, Blazer Games.

- **Federal Programs, Student Supports – Ryan Cox, Assistant Principal**

- **Federal Programs** – Presented information about recent off campus events attended by our GTC students. Provided the dates of the Chemawa Round Dance, Birthday Pow Wow, and Student Cultural Fair, and the upcoming Spring Pow Wow. Discussed the recent Good Road to Life training that was conducted by Clayton Small, for our GTC students.
- **Special Education** – Presented Professional Development update for the special education department, Spring ISEP audit will occur in April, GAO audit was completed, advised of upcoming visit from US Dept. of Education, and advised of newly selected Education Technician.
- **Title 1** – 2nd Parent Committee meeting held on March 6, 2019 via teleconference, meeting notes are awaiting approval from the parent committee members.
- **Safe Schools Report** – Presented the Safe Schools report

Answered questions from board members pertaining to GTC program, how students are identified, and opportunities that are made available to the GTC students.

- **Residential Programs – Darren Mackaravitz, Home Living Specialist**

- **Staffing** – staff support increased due to closure of a dorm wing, new full time home living assistant coming on board April 1, 2019, vacant positions consist of one full time and one intermittent home living assistant.
- **Coming Soon** – Art Gallery, April 22, 2019
- **Emotional Supports** – Increased attendance for the emotional support groups, new groups recently formed, Resilience (film) was presented to students and I.H.S. plans to implement a plan for our students to acquire skills for managing emotional situations.

Answered question from Board member, Valerie Switzler, regarding having an area of photographs of ancestors and historical photos to assist students with self-reflection.

- **Business Office and Food Service – Rachenda Reynosa, Business Manager**

- **Student Enterprise** – students currently attending the American Indian Business Leaders Conference at the Nike Campus in Portland, Student Store, snack bar & brave brew is fully staffed and running. New Chemawa gear for sale. Plans in place to post Chemawa gear for sale online during summer.
- **Human Resources**
Update on newly hired substitutes, school kitchen helper, and home living assistant. In background, training instructor, secretary, and education technician. Discussed new applicants that are in the rating process.
- **Budget**
 - **Finance** – 3rd quarter ends March 31, 2019, update on ISEP funds and summer & fall projects and procurement needs. Facilities still on continuing resolutions.
 - **Procurement** – No contracts have been received from BIE, having weekly calls for assistance. Gave update regarding contracts.
- **Food Service**

Update on staffing vacancies, student workers, and Indian health service inspection.

- **Facilities – Lora Braucher, School Supervisor**

- **Recent Projects** – Gave update regarding plumbing projects, homeless camp removal, EPA/Water Copper levels and recent assessment. The reasons for not wanting to connect to city water were discussed.
- **Staffing** – update on current vacancies

- **Superintendent Report – Lora Braucher, Superintendent**

- **School Updates**
 - Updated school board on Negotiated Rule Making status. Discussed that no decision has been received from BIA for the totem poles to be placed at the entrance to the cemetery and the matter of tribal consultation was discussed. Jason Younker wants to be sure that the BIA conducts tribal consultations with the nine tribes.

Jason called for the school board to make a motion for a letter to be sent to the BIA requesting that consultation take place with all 9 federally recognized tribes in the State of Oregon.

Valerie Switzler moved the motion, Orlinda Wirth seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Jason requested that Lora draft the letter with him stating that the school board is very much in support of consultation with all nine federally recognized tribes as developments take place in the cemetery. Lora agreed to help with it and make sure that it is addressed to the right people.

- Updated school board about student council meeting with Director Dearman and Principal Assistant Secretary Tahsuda. Mr. Dearman and Mr. Tahsuda were on campus for the Oregon Congressional Delegation meeting. Lora asked school board if they have any question regarding OPB story. Lora detailed the town hall style meetings with staff and students that were offered to answer their questions and concerns.

Lora asked if any school board had any questions about the recent OPB article or congressional meetings. Lora detailed a timeline of events in regards to the OPB stories and congressional meetings. Jason Younker requested a workshop for our school board members so that they know what responses are allowed by the BIE to give to the press, if school board members are approached.

Jason had to leave the call. He would be sending Lora a draft of the consultation letter to Lora to review. He would like a workshop at the next board meeting with a bulleted look at the OPB and Chemawa Reports so that the board would be able to respond to any questions, or know where boundaries are in their responses.

Lora asked who would be attending graduation. And also asked about the By-Laws that are in process? Orlanda asked for the By-laws be pushed to another date. By-Laws were pushed to the next school board meeting. Jason felt that the school board meeting should not be the same day as graduation.

Lora asked if a school board meeting on the day before graduation would be better and then they would be able to attend the graduation ceremony the next day. The school board agreed to having the next school board meeting on May 2, 2019. Jason left the call.

- **Successes**
 - No teacher vacancies
 - Softball, Baseball, and Track Seasons
 - Leadership activities for students
 - Continued addition of student supports on campus and new I.H.S. CBHC mental health positions posted to meet our students needs
- **Upcoming Events**
 - Spring Pow Wow 4/13
 - Prom 4/20
 - Senior Awards Assembly 4/29
 - Final Exams 4/30 & 4/31
 - Next School Board Meeting – May 2nd, 2019

New Business:

- **Budget – 3rd Quarter Reconciliation**
 - Rachenda Reynosa presented the 3rd quarter budget reconciliation

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- **Short Term Contracts**

- Rachenda Reynosa discussed the short term contracts that are being requested for staff. Orlinda asked for the edited version to be sent out

Motion: Orlinda Wirth motioned to approve the short term summer contracts. Alvena, Pamela, and Valerie all concurred.

Motion Carried

- **School Calendar**

- Rachenda Reynosa presented the proposed School Calendar for the 2019-2020.

Motion: Orlinda Wirth motioned to approve the 2019-2020 school calendar. Pamela seconded the motion.

3 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained

Motion Carried

- **Stipend Schedule**

- Rachenda Reynosa presented the proposed stipend schedule for 2019-2020.

Motion: Orlinda Wirth motioned to concur with the proposed 2019-2020 stipend schedule. Pamela seconded the motion.

3 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained

Motion Carried

- **Title 1 Assurances**

- Ryan discussed Title 1 and Part B assurances. Title 1 assurance won't be available until April 1, 2019.

Motion: Pamela Johnson motioned to move the Title 1 and Part B assurances to the next meeting, May 2, 2019. Alvena seconded the motion.

3 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained

Motion Carried

- **Determination & Findings List**

- Amanda explained the determination & findings list and process for using it for curriculum, text books, services, etc.

Motion: Orlinda Wirth made a motion to approve the 2019 -2020 list for books and various services, Pamela seconded the motion.

3 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained

Motion carried

- **Adjournment**

- Motion: Pamela Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:54 a.m., Orlinda Wirth seconded the motion.

3 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained

Motion Carried

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