

**MINUTES**  
Regular Meeting of the  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
Corvallis School District 509J  
1555 SW 35<sup>th</sup> Street  
Corvallis, OR 97330

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. in the Board Room of the Central Administration Building, 1555 SW 35<sup>th</sup> Street, Corvallis, Oregon. The secretary recorded those present as listed below.

<p><u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u> Blake Rodman, Chair Matt Donohue, Vice Chair Helen Higgins (Joined by phone) Lisa Corrigan Bill Ten Pas Anne Schuster John Turman</p>	<p><u>EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT</u> Dawn Tarzian, Superintendent Steve Youngblood, Assistant Superintendent Kathy Rodeman, Business Director Jeanne Holmes, Human Resources Director</p> <p><u>STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES</u> Alex Dionne, Crescent Valley High School Jack Sattell, Corvallis High School</p>
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A quorum was present and due notice had been published.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Rodman led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

Chair Rodman invited audience members to introduce themselves and state their affiliation with the District.

**III. COMMITTEE/BOARD MEMBER ITEMS**

*Chinese New Year Celebration* – Director Schuster and Director Corrigan attended the Chinese New Year Celebration at Franklin K-8. They shared with the Board a Gazette Times article and crafts made by students. They highlighted the work of Mimi Chen and the East-West Dance Connection and the Multicultural Literacy Center at Oregon State University.

*Youth LEGO Robotics Tournament* – Director Corrigan attended the state LEGO Robotics Tournament in Hillsboro. 400 teams came together at state level, and three of the Corvallis teams placed. She said the schools did very well at the tournament and highlighted their achievements.

*AP Environmental Class at Crescent Valley* – Director Schuster commended Peg Cornell’s Advanced Placement Environmental Studies class at Crescent Valley High School (CVHS). She said it makes one proud, noting that they are only just in high school. Student Representative Alex Dionne noted that it is a lot of work, but there is now work being done on bio-diesel buses.

*Key Communicators Breakfast* – Director Ten Pas said the breakfasts have had a good mix of attendees, not just from the District. He said there are lots of good questions and suggestions as people try to understand the cuts for the District. He said it is well worth the time staff invests.

*Budget Forum* – Director Turman said he went to the budget forum held at Cheldelin Middle School. He said there were many different groups represented, good discussion and good information for community members to take back to family and friends.

*Radio Show* – Chair Rodman commended Business Director Kathy Rodeman for her participation in the February 5, 2009 Oregon Public Broadcasting radio show “Think Out Loud.” He said it was a good thing for listeners and the District.

*Roundtable Discussions on State Budget* – Vice Chair Donohue said he went to one of Representative Kurt Schrader’s roundtable discussion about the Oregon House of Representatives budget. He received an overview of the federal stimulus package from the House that will be provided to the District. Vice Chair Donohue had no firm figures and he said there are questions on money distribution; he noted that this was all before the Senate bill passed.

#### **IV. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

*Blankets and Burritos* – Jack Sattell said that the Corvallis High School (CHS) Blankets and Burritos project to benefit the homeless went well. Students sold burritos at CHS and used the proceeds to buy blankets and supplies and then passed them out to the homeless.

#### **V. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

*K-8 Lincoln Review* –

##### **Summary of comments made by Superintendent Tarzian:**

- A number of families wish to testify tonight on the K-8 Lincoln review.
- Reviewed the closure of Inavale Elementary School and the move of Lincoln to a K-8.
- Lincoln staff did not have a lot of preparation time, but did a great job of transitioning.
- The District made a commitment of a three year period of additional resources.
- The District’s motivation was to keep as many Inavale students together in a cohort and

lessen the impact to their education, as well as keep an eye on the success of K-8 in the community.

- A commitment was made to review the program and the plan to review was noted in the Strategic Plan document. Assistant Superintendent Youngblood communicated the difficulty of reviewing isolated portions in a comprehensive school; suggested a comprehensive review.
- Last year Lincoln added a second strand of dual immersion class.
- Dr. Youngblood sought input from staff and parents in the form of a survey.
- Communication has not been good; she is receiving concerns about a possible Lincoln closure.
- Last year Lincoln did not make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP); it's the first time they have not; District has not met AYP either. Discussed possibility of sanctions after second year not meeting.
- Commented on the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant that provided an after school program and that the Boys & Girls Club will be taking over that program and relying on fundraising.
- Many things prompt this review; highlighted that, regardless of decisions made, current 6<sup>th</sup> grade students can complete their grades 6-8 at Lincoln.
- Commented on the complexity of the Lincoln program and the Lincoln staff need for resources and support from the District.
- Has been a substantial turnover in staff in a school that needs stability the most; newer, younger teachers are being put in dual immersion program because of bilingual ability.
- Was not aware how little was known about the review. Level of concern created for parents is huge by lack of communication. Decisions need to be made now.

#### **Summary of Board questions and staff answers:**

- When will decisions be made? Time frame for this? (Ten Pas)  
*Response:* By end of February (Superintendent Tarzian)
- Administrative or Board decisions? (Turman)  
*Response:* Essentially administrative. Highlighted the hardship of having K-8 program and dual immersion strand. Hard to do both well with the resources we have. Commented that a school that experiences a degree of mobility and more students in poverty can create a dynamic in the English-only classroom that can challenge student success. (Superintendent Tarzian)
- What criteria used to make these decisions? (Schuster)  
*Response:* These have not been communicated clearly to patrons. The criteria may include: 1) experience of those involved in the program, 2) academic outcome seen from kids, 3) historical data on Lincoln such as staff turnover and communication regarding complexity, and 4) reprioritizing. (Superintendent Tarzian)

*Advanced Placement (AP) Data* – AP data is in; participation in AP classes in Oregon is up. 20% of high school students in Oregon took one AP class. Gave state statistics and highlighted that 26.9% of CHS and 32.2% of CVHS students are in AP classes.

*Presidential Scholars Program* – Highlighted the children recognized in the Presidential Scholars Program. 500 were nominated in the nation; seven came from Corvallis high schools. Four are from CHS, three from CV.

*LEGO Robotics Tournament* – Fourth place went to a community group from Philomath, fifth place to Ashbrook Independent School. She highlighted that Corvallis and Philomath came home with top five awards for robotics.

*All-State Music Choirs, Bands and Orchestras* – Recognized 44 music students elected for state programs. They get a chance to perform and practice with renowned musicians and conductors. Recognize the youth that get selected because of their investment; they also get good instruction and huge parental commitment.

*Oregon Enrollment* – Enrollment is leveling off; had been seeing an increase, and this year saw a decrease statewide. She highlighted changing demographics in enrollment.

## VI. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Ian Walsh, 990 NW Highland Terrace, Corvallis. Mr. Walsh testified regarding bleachers at CVHS. Noted that the bleachers are used by track, soccer, the band, and more. Suggested that athletes follow success and that not sustaining CVHS facilities would not have a positive effect. Important to build those bleachers in the coming year.

Courtney Sohn, 2531 SE Micah Pl., Corvallis. Ms. Sohn testified regarding Lincoln K-8. She said that many parents did not get surveys or realize the importance of the surveys. Complexity of Lincoln means the principal cannot do it alone; suggested an assistant principal. Nice to have dyslexic child in a small group with teachers who want to help him succeed.

Beth Russell, 33740 SE Terril Lane, Corvallis. Ms. Russell testified regarding Lincoln K-8. Recognize that small, intimate environment is important for some and not others. Highlighted positive experience of her son at Lincoln, as well as the nation-wide movement to place-based education. Suggested finding staff for Lincoln K-8 program nationwide. Did receive survey and believes it was flawed statistically. Noted it is hard to reach the Lincoln community. Addressed possible staff concerns about kids going to Linus Pauling Middle School and said those are children who leave the Lincoln program early.

Xan Augent, 1615 SE Bethel St., Corvallis. Ms. Augent testified regarding Lincoln K-8. Has 6<sup>th</sup> grader in Lincoln who is on honor roll and excited about opportunities. Noted more than 10% of students on honor roll and commended the teachers. Highlighted issues she felt the District may be conflating, including fresh principal, declining AYP, declining budget, and encouraged Board

and staff to make decisions at Lincoln for right reasons.

John Gabriel, 975 SE Park, Corvallis. Mr. Gabriel testified regarding Lincoln K-8. He opined that very few parents knew the entire school was being evaluated. Gave testimony of his experience at a parent meeting, saying that there was not enough time for the requests made of them, the survey was flawed, and their role at the meeting was undefined. Expressed he was denied information that he requested regarding statistics. Thinks there is a significant problem, perhaps crisis, at Lincoln. Opined there is a lack of transparency and said the middle school is the best program at Lincoln. Afraid District will close middle school because there are struggles in other programs.

Andrew Millison, 650 SE Bridgeway Ave., Corvallis. Mr. Millison testified regarding Lincoln K-8. Gave commendation to principal and staff at Lincoln. Highlighted the role model element and performance of the middle school program. Important to have a focus on environmental issues. Would like to see it continue and give opportunity to all kids from the school system.

Gordon Kelsey, 3930 NW Witham Hill Dr., Corvallis. Mr. Kelsey testified regarding CVHS bleachers. Communicated personal experience with CHS and CVHS; his son has had great experience at CV. Expressed support of bleachers being completed because parents should support their children; there's a lot good things at both schools. To be able to play at own school is a big thing.

## **VII. STAFF TESTIMONY**

Craig Ellingson, Athletic Director of Crescent Valley High School, testified regarding the CVHS bleachers. He expressed concern that the money allocated from the bond toward the bleachers would be recalled, though he understands the financial crisis. Said the facility was used approximately 40 nights last year. He shared information that a donation of services by LHG Grading is being offered to prepare the site, which may save \$10,000. Sees the bleachers as a need for the student body and would like to see the project move forward.

## **VIII. URBAN RENEWAL DISTRICT – MAYOR CHARLES TOMLINSON**

Corvallis Mayor Charles Tomlinson presented regarding an Urban Renewal District proposal and provided the Board with two handouts. (Filed as Supplemental Item #VII-16 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

### **Summary of comments made by Mayor Tomlinson:**

- Appreciates Key Communicators breakfasts and noted his involvement in the local schools.
- Offered help to Board in matters of communication regarding financial crisis.
- Because of economic information the City Council has been putting a strategic plan together for Downtown Corvallis; there are several elements. Tonight highlighting the

- element of an urban renewal district (URD).
- Quoted law that enables urban renewal district; it's a well used economic tool in a community.
  - Citizens will have say about the urban renewal district in May. Here to get support.
  - URD is an economic stimulus and there is a defined physical district. At the time of creation the properties within that district are used to calculate a base assessment value.
  - Highlighted the process of monetary flow coming from the URD. It will be used in public and private enhancements. The proposal that will go the community in May is a five year program. Hard to go past five years.
  - Looking at a number of things that include historic preservation, environmental remediation, and various-use public buildings.
  - If assessment values do not increase has no impact on revenue; in fact no revenue is created. Property owners do not see increased taxes with URD in place. The taxing jurisdictions feel the impact.
  - Because of state funding formulas essentially the school district is held harmless around issues for URD. The URD runs for a 20 year time period, and has a cap on amount of money that it can generate.
  - The URD is bounded by place, time, and the revenue that it might raise during a period of time. As the URD has money created in it, the city will probably engage in larger and larger projects which may be funded, but only deep into URD years would there be increased revenues.
  - Indicated the portion of downtown for the URD placement. Asked for support.

**Summary of Board questions and discussion and staff responses:**

- Would personally support URD. Who decides where the dollars are spent once the revenue builds up? (Higgins)  
*Response:* The City Council, and ultimately the citizens of Corvallis. The City charter says that it goes back to the people for major changes. Normally go to Downtown Commission, then to City Council, then possibly to the citizens for vote. (Tomlinson)
- Does the increase of assessment value now go to a general fund? Do you have concern about having a greater need for a general fund later on? (Ten Pas)  
*Response:* There is \$9 million in unrestricted fund balance; City Council has created strategic goals and boundaries. Need to look at those revenue streams.
- What level of support is felt from the property owners? Clear majority? (Turman)  
*Response:* Political action committee is out there communicating; Downtown Association has been part of planning, thinks property owners see URD as a financing mechanism for funding preservation. (Tomlinson)
- Albany has had a URD for eight years; remarkable to see the improvement. City not limited to one URD; can have 15% of city for URD. There is potential for millions to come in because of the backfill for the schools from the state. 65 districts in the state have been receiving this backfill for years; Corvallis has been paying into it. (Schuster)

- Think it is a good program for a community under stress with employment issues; put our downtown on a better footing than it is today. (Tomlinson)

Chair Rodman suggested making a possible resolution at a future planning meeting, with Director Schuster as a possible liaison.

Chair Rodman called a break from 7:57 to 8:04 pm.

## **IX. CONSOLIDATED ACTION**

Chair Rodman pulled agenda items #IX.B.6—Crescent Valley High School Stadium Bleachers and #IX.B.12— Resolution No. 09-0202 Requesting the Oregon Legislature to Transfer a Portion of the Education Stability Fund to the State School Fund for 2008-09 for discussion.

**MOTION # 22:** It was moved by Vice Chair Donohue and seconded by Director Ten Pas to approve consolidated action with the exception of agenda items #IX.B.6—Crescent Valley High School Stadium Bleachers and #IX.B.12— Resolution No. 09-0202 Requesting the Oregon Legislature to Transfer a Portion of the Education Stability Fund to the State School Fund for 2008-09 for discussion.

The motion was voted on and unanimously approved.

## **A. SUPPORT SERVICES ITEMS**

### **1. LICENSED PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### Recommendation to Hire

- Diane Meyers: Music Teacher, 0.80 FTE, Garfield Elementary School; effective January 20, 2009 (Temporary).

### **2. RESOLUTION NO. 09-0201 – 2009-11 RESOLUTION SERVICES THROUGH LINN BENTON LINCOLN ESD**

The Board approved the resolution which documents the agreements and understandings for regional services for the 2009-11 biennium. (Filed as Supplemental Item #III-8 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

### **3. BOARD POLICY AD – DISTRICT MISSION, BELIEFS, AND GOALS – REVISION – SECOND**

## READING

The Board approved the policy which was revised to follow the adoption of the Corvallis Community Vision for Education process. Additional updates also were made as a result of the OSBA policy audit. (Filed as Supplemental Item #XII-7 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

## 4. IN-KIND DONATIONS

The Board accepted the following donations:

- Scott Janes donated books for use at Crescent Valley High School library.
- Tim and Janie Auer donated a Panasonic Multi System TV / DVD / VHS and German VHS movies.
- Gary Phillips donated a 20 inch Computer Monitor.
- Richard Trojan, Jr. donated 2 spinning wheels and miscellaneous spinning / weaving supplies for the use by teacher Debra Zeller at Corvallis High School.
- Nancy Jane Reid donated a SLR camera, Konica back and three lenses, a Sears back and 2 lenses, assorted flashes, filters, auxiliary lenses, 2X teleconverter and lens cap for the use by the photography class (teacher Don Jepsen-Minyard) at Crescent Valley High School.
- Carla Wise and Mark Van Steeler donated a Mac computer for use by Mo Ruzek at Jefferson Elementary School.
- Gifts in Kind International and Hewlett-Packard employees donated various computer equipment for use in our schools
  - Franklin Elementary School received gift #5528, which included two HP DC780 Desktop PC, two Monitors, a LaserJet P2015x, a Color LaserJet 3600dn, and a HP Office Jet Pro L7590 AiO
  - Franklin Elementary School received gift #6562, which included five HP Compaq dx2400 PC, four Monitors, two LaserJet P2015x, and a HP Color LaserJet CP2025dn Printer
  - Crescent Valley High School received gift #7084, which included a HP Officejet Pro K5400dtn Printer
  - Crescent Valley High School received gift #7678, which included sixteen HP Monitors and a HP LaserJet P3005x Printer
- Debra Hascall donated a Lockerbie potter's wheel for the use by the ceramics class (teacher Keith Moses) at Crescent Valley High School.
- Crescent Valley Baling donated four loads of Track Rock and twenty loads of hauling and associated labor for athletics (baseball) at Crescent Valley High School.
- Mike McRae Construction Inc donated excavating, hauling gravel and grading (truck backhoe) for athletics (baseball) at Crescent Valley High School.
- Kimberly Gregory donated a Sony HS-8 camcorder, 6 HS-8/112 tapes, 2 to 3 A/V and Ant. Cables, battery discharger, hi-cap NiCad battery, RS 23-216 and canvas case for use by Hilda Pereyo class at Crescent Valley High School.
- Eugene Mar donated a violin, 75 coin plated quarters, 25 collector quarter state sets and 10 dresses/costumes for use by the Dance Team at Crescent Valley High School.
- Kurt Black of Timberhill Dental donated 4 computer hard drives for use by Jan Boley at Crescent

Valley High School.

**5. AMENDMENT #2 TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CORVALLIS – TRANSIT PASS PROGRAM FOR COLLEGE HILL STUDENTS**

The Board approved the amendment for a group transit pass for 75 College Hill students from February 10 – June 12, 2009. (Filed as Supplemental Item # I-27 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

**6. CRESCENT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM BLEACHERS**

**Held for discussion.** This item is authorization for District staff to continue with the Crescent Valley High School stadium bleachers project. (Filed as Supplemental Item # IV-16 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

**Discussion:**

- Staff would like clear direction from the Board before moving forward. Requested Ms. Rodeman's input. (Chair Rodman)
- Economy has gone from bad to worse since CVHS stadium was closed. This is the best way to spend this money. Staff is working on getting alternative funding, and is asking the Board for permission to proceed and bid the project. (Greg Lecuyer, Facilities and Maintenance Manager)
- Looking at other options that may be available; continuing would not preclude us exploring those. This would confirm staff can immediately go on with the bid document preparation; otherwise, bleachers will not be ready next season. (Rodeman)
- No specific dollar amount attached to this? (Chair Rodman)
- Board previously approved remaining bond money. (Rodeman)
- Other options would reduce cost of project, but we won't know how much until it is bid. (Lecuyer)
- Knew economic hardship was here when Board had this brainstorm. Would like to stick to what has been committed; will not go out and spend money without looking at other options and staff has already been doing that work. Rather than wait until the contract is ready needed to know Board's prioritization. (Superintendent Tarzian)
- These are bond dollars, cannot be used elsewhere, correct? (Higgins)  
*Response:* Correct. (Staff)

- Full support to proceed, though is hoping to save some dollars for boilers. (Corrigan)
- Sits on Facilities Advisory Committee. Constituents may wonder at the difference between capital monies and money for teachers and instruction; need to move forward with ways to minimize spending. Not a question of equities between CVHS and CHS, but seismic issues prompted new CHS facilities. Concerned when hear inequity issue or playing schools against one another. Supported bleachers from the beginning. (Ten Pas)
- This is \$330,000 of bond money that cannot be spent on teachers, etc. There is potential for money out of the bond fund for bleachers, but the money for boilers could be depleted. Want to be sure from a facilities level that the boilers are at the end of the amortization period, that staff has a handle on needs and maintenance, and we are going to be able to maintain for a while with the delayed excise tax and many economic issues. Is there money kept in the bond fund for boilers? (Vice Chair Donohue)  
*Response:* It would be unforeseen for boilers to fail. Looking into other funds for boilers, such as the Business Energy Tax Credit coming to the District. Looking also at how much it would cost to replace boilers rather than repair. (Lecuyer)
- How much bond money would be left over? Where was the money coming from for the new bathrooms in the Western View Center? (Schuster)  
*Response:* Last best estimate is the job is about \$330,000 and would wipe out bond fund. Need to do that; have gone a little beyond our time to spend the fund and we have needed to start rebating. Need to close the bond. The money for bathrooms in WVC was coming from the general fund, as was the money for the potential fiber optics program. These programs were eliminated to help offset staff reductions. (Rodeman)
- Speaking as a student and lacrosse captain at CVHS, it is not only football, soccer and big varsity sports that use the bleachers. Hoping to get students to watch lacrosse and other sports, and the bleachers would help students come out and watch. Important for the student body and other sports teams as it is for football and soccer teams. (Student Representative Dionne)
- Hearing support to move forward as economically as possible. (Chair Rodman)

**MOTION #23:** It was moved by Vice Chair Donohue and seconded by Director Corrigan to authorize staff to continue with the Crescent Valley High School stadium bleachers project.

The motion was voted on and unanimously approved.

**7. INTER-DISTRICT TRANSFER AGREEMENTS WITH THE PHILOMATH SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS REQUESTING SERVICE TRANSFERS OUT OF CORVALLIS**

The Board approved the agreements. (Filed as Supplemental Item #I-28 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

**8. INTER-DISTRICT TRANSFER AGREEMENTS WITH THE PHILOMATH, SWEET HOME, AND ALBANY SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS REQUESTING SERVICE TRANSFERS INTO CORVALLIS SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Board approved the agreements. (Filed as Supplemental Item #I-29 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

**9. AGREEMENT WITH LINN BENTON LINCOLN ESD, CASCADE REGIONAL SERVICES FOR EQUIPMENT LOAN**

The Board approved the agreement with LBL ESD that states the district will be responsible for using/repairing/replacing Cascade Regional Equipment loaned to students. (Filed as Supplemental Item # I-30 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

**10. AGREEMENT WITH LBL ESD FOR SEVERE DISABILITIES PROGRAM FUNDING AND RECIPROCAL AGREEMENTS**

The Board approved the agreement with LBL ESD for the District to provide instruction to school-age children with severe disabilities and the ESD to provide supplemental funding and administrative assistance for these services. (Filed as Supplemental Item #I-31 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

**11. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH LINN BENTON LINCOLN ESD, FOR MAC/DHS SUB-AGREEMENT SERVICES**

The Board approved the agreement with LBL ESD to allow the Corvallis School District to improve access to and provide the availability of health services for all children. (Filed as Supplemental Item #I-32 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

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**12. RESOLUTION NO. 09-0202 REQUESTING THE OREGON LEGISLATURE TO TRANSFER A PORTION OF THE EDUCATION STABILITY FUND TO THE STATE SCHOOL FUND FOR 2008-09**

**Held for discussion:** Ms. Rodeman highlighted the talking points and financial information on the handout provided to the Board. (Filed as Supplemental Item # III-9 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.). She noted that adoption of the resolution would put the Board's approval for this action on record. She said the time for action is immediate.

**MOTION #24:** It was moved by Director Ten Pas and seconded by Vice Chair Donohue to approve Resolution No. 09-0202 requesting the Oregon Legislature to Transfer a Portion of the Education Stability Fund to the State School Fund for 2008-09.

The motion was voted on and unanimously approved.

Superintendent Tarzian said that she and Ms. Rodeman had previously advocated saving reserves, but said that there is no way to avoid affecting schools and children's educations if they are not used.

Director Higgins stated her understanding was that the Board could contact Representatives Sara Gelser and Andy Olsen to express support of this resolution.

**X. CONSOLIDATED INFORMATION**

Director Corrigan questioned the difference between Item # X.B.4 and #X.B.5, Board Policies GBD/BG—Board-Staff Communications and BG/GBD—Board-Staff Communications. Chair Rodman and Vice Chair Donohue said that the difference is where they appear in the policy manual. Director Corrigan opined that the wording is very poor in these policies.

**A. CORRESPONDENCE**

(Filed in Section V of the Official Board 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

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**B. SUPPORT SERVICES ITEMS****1. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECK SUMMARY**

The Board received the following information:

<b>SCHOOL YEAR 2008-2009</b>			
<b>DATE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>CHECKS WRITTEN</b>	<b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b>
12/23/08	Bond Quick Pay	7	\$ 24,519.86
12/30/08	Quick Pay	1	\$ 5,181.25
12/31/08	AP Check run	195	\$ 583,546.66
12/31/08	Quick Pay	1	\$ 9,804.25
01/07/09	Quick pay	4	\$ 6,690.22
01/15/09	AP Check Run	210	\$ 646,231.18
01/20/09	Bond Quick Pay	5	\$ 71,194.50
01/21/09	Quick pay	1	\$ 1,149.00
01/26/09	Quick pay	2	\$ 7,595.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>Checks Written:</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>\$1,355,911.92</b>

**2. UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – DECEMBER 31, 2008**

The Board received the unaudited statements of revenues, expenditures, and fund balances for the various funds of the District for the period ending December 31, 2008. (Filed as Supplemental Item #X-9 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

**3. CRESCENT VALLEY AREA TRANSIT SERVICE**

The Board received information on the Crescent Valley Area Transit Service to provide service for residents living in the Crescent Valley High School area and District faculty for work trips in the early morning and late afternoon, and an optional transportation system for students before and after school. (Filed as Supplemental Item #IV-17 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

**4. BOARD POLICY BG/GBD—BOARD-STAFF COMMUNICATIONS—NEW—FIRST READING**

The Board received information this policy. An audit of Board Policy Handbook showed the District did not have the adopted policy in place.

**5. BOARD POLICY GBD/BG—BOARD-STAFF COMMUNICATIONS—NEW—FIRST READING**

The Board received information on this policy. An audit of Board Policy Handbook showed the District did not have the adopted policy in place.

**6. BOARD POLICY CCB—LINE AND STAFF RELATIONS—NEW—FIRST READING**

The Board received information on this policy. An audit of Board Policy Handbook showed the District did not have the adopted policy in place.

**7. BOARD POLICY BBFA—BOARD MEMBER ETHICS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST—REVISION—FIRST READING**

The Board received information on this policy, in line with 2007 Oregon Legislative ethics law changes.

**8. BOARD POLICY BBFB—BOARD MEMBER ETHICS AND NEPOTISM—NEW—FIRST READING**

The Board received information on this policy, in line 2007 Oregon Legislative ethics law changes.

**9. BOARD POLICY GBC—STAFF ETHICS—REVISION—FIRST READING**

The Board received information on this policy, in line 2007 Oregon Legislative ethics law changes.

**10. BOARD POLICY GBI—GIFTS AND SOLICITATIONS—REVISION—FIRST READING**

The Board received information on this policy, in line 2007 Oregon Legislative ethics law changes.

**11. BOARD POLICY IGBHA—ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS—REVISION—FIRST READING**

The Board received information on this policy. Minor updates were made as part of the OSBA audit.

**12. ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION—IGBHA-AR—EVALUATION OF ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS—REVISION**

The Board received information on this administrative regulation. Minor updates were made as part of the OSBA audit.

**13. BOARD POLICY IGCG—SERVICE-LEARNING—NEW—FIRST READING**

The Board received information on this policy, intended to articulate Board support of the concept of service-learning as a teaching methodology and culture.

**XI. OTHER DISTRICT BUSINESS****A. Kindergarten Enrichment Program Tuition for 2009-10**

Ms. Rodeman and Superintendent Tarzian presented on Kindergarten Tuition. (Filed as Supplemental Item #VII-17 in the Official 2008-2009 Board Minutes.)

**Summary of comments made by Ms. Rodeman:**

- Previously presented in January 2009 on kindergarten tuition and the three alternatives: 1) to continue with a \$50,000 subsidy and raise tuition, 2) to raise tuition significantly to support scholarships, or 3) to completely eliminate the tuition program.
- She and Superintendent Tarzian have met with several principals to talk about this issue.
- Superintendent Tarzian has approached the Corvallis Public Schools Foundation to request the generation of scholarship donations.
- Need to emphasize giving notice to the community, as people expect to see the enrichment program.

**Summary of comments made by Superintendent Tarzian:**

- Title I schools will continue to provide full day, Title-based kindergarten next year.
- There is a high concern of dedicating Title I funds to kindergarten due to building cuts and general fund reductions.
- If stimulus package funding comes it would be funneled to all-day kindergarten without affecting other programs which receive Title I money.
- The decision on kindergarten at Title I schools will affect other schools.
- Committed to all day kindergarten next year, but need to have clear communication with community that it may be the last year.
- Increase in demographics for students eligible for Title I and Free and Reduced Lunch may make the program unsustainable.
- Recommends approving proposed tuition amount and then work hard to communicate to all stakeholders.

- Asked the Corvallis Public Schools Foundation for \$50,000–\$70,000 for scholarships, in answer to Director Corrigan’s question regarding funding past the \$50,000 subsidy given by the District.

Director Ten Pas thanked the Corvallis Public Schools Foundation for their assistance. Director Schuster asked if there would be any adverse affects to other projects if the Foundation gives \$50,000-\$70,000. Superintendent Tarzian said the Foundation hopes to raise the funds in addition to other projects.

**MOTION # 25:** It was moved by Director Higgins and seconded by Director Turman to approve the proposed annual fee of \$3,195 per year (\$355 per month for 9 months) for the Kindergarten Enrichment Program tuition for 2009-10.

The motion was voted on and unanimously approved.

## **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board, Chair Rodman adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

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Blake Rodman, Chair

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Dawn Tarzian, Superintendent

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