

Bend-La Pine Schools
Bend, OR 97703

The Board of Directors for Bend-La Pine Schools met in a regular session on April 24, 2018 at the Education Center,
520 NW Wall Street, Bend, OR 97703.

Board Members Present

Andy High
Ron Gallinat
Julie Craig
Peggy Kinkade
Stuart Young
Cheri Helt

Board Members Absent

Carrie Douglass

Call to Order

Chair High called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

Review of the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

Public Input

Chair High asked those who were signed up for public comment to try to keep their comments between three and five minutes and encouraged members of the public to stay and listen to updates on upcoming construction and safety projects.

Karrie Newman, parent, shared her concerns about the plans to merge STRIVE and Marshall High School for the 2018-19 school year. She shared concerns about what the district considers appropriate public displays of affection in schools and wants student voice to be a part of determining what is deemed acceptable.

Doug Brown, Bend Senior High social studies teacher, spoke about the poor condition of Bend Senior High School's campus. He said facilities are run down and in need of repair and encouraged Board members to consider making the repair efforts for Bend High a top priority. He also thanked the district and Board for supporting the Chinese teacher exchange program. Peggy Kinkade noted the design and planning team met for the first time today to discuss the vision and future planning for the Bend High campus. She asked Brown if the staff members from Bend High, on the design team, had solicited information from other Bend High staff members. She encouraged Brown to share his thoughts and make his voice heard among his colleagues who are part of that team.

Laura Gemignani, Bend Senior High science teacher, said the dated science labs at Bend High are being used far beyond recommended standards. She noted other dangers and safety related concerns which make it extremely difficult to teach and prepare students for their future.

Chair High thanked all for their comments and said the following Bend Senior High staff members are part of the design team Kinkade referred to: Chris Reese, Paul Hutter, Andria Lindsey, Jessica Lorentz-Smith, Dave Williams, Steve Wetherald, Don Carter, and Mary Hofer.

Public Hearing

Secure Entry Construction Projects

Chair High recessed the regular meeting at 6:35 p.m. and called the Public Hearing for the Secure Entry Construction Projects to order. The hearing was called to hear public testimony regarding the proposed findings of facts for the use of the Design / Build method of procurement for the secure lobby construction projects at various locations across the district. High noted that the final Board action on the Design / Build process is scheduled to take place later on the agenda.

There was not public input for the Public Hearing.

Superintendent Mikalson read a summary of school safety updates and measures to help minimize school-based disasters or emergencies. He said the public hearing is a request to use the Design / Build process which the district believes will help improve project timelines and costs. Mikalson also reviewed temporary measures that have been made to improve security and visibility and increased measures for safety. He added, secure entryways are a critical part of the accelerated safety plans of the district and if the Board does approve the Design / Build process this evening, this important work can get started more quickly. Peggy Kinkade expressed her appreciation for the school safety work that has been done in recent weeks and feels it is important the Board support staff's recommendation to use the Design / Build process.

Chair High closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the regular meeting at 6:44 p.m.

Consent Agenda

Ron Gallinat moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Julie Craig seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

Action Item

Resolution 1865: Teacher Appreciation Week, May 7-11, 2018

Stuart Young read Resolution 1865 aloud and complimented teachers and the district for their hard work and dedication. **Stuart Young moved to approve Resolution 1865: Teacher Appreciation Week, May 7-11, 2018.**

Peggy Kinkade seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

Resolution 1866: Granting Bidding Exemption, Authorizing Construction of the 2018-2021 Remodel Projects

Mike Tiller reviewed the executive summary and findings included in the board packet and explained how using a Design / Build process would be beneficial in regards to timeliness and overall costs as provided in the findings of fact. Chair High asked if the district has used the design build process for other projects and with a focus on completing projects more quickly, how would construction work impact school campuses and students. Tiller said the district has not used the design build process; however, the district's Facility Design Supervisor has experience in this process in his previous employment. Contractors and their employees will be asked to complete a background check prior to beginning work at schools and the district do it's best to create a construction schedule to minimize the interruptions during the school day.

Tiller said if the Board approves the process tonight, the district's goal is to put an RFP out for projects at 19 locations, and have a contractor hired in June, with construction starting in September and a targeted completion for projects by January 2020 or earlier. **Cheri Helt moved to approve Resolution 1866: Granting Bidding Exemption, Authorizing Construction of the 2018-2021 Remodel Projects.**

Stuart Young asked how much time would be saved by using this process. Tiller estimated about two years. Helt said she appreciates the effort to make safety improvements happen as fast as possible and is excited to get the process approved and work started. High asked Tiller to keep Julie Craig, The Board's point of contact for PlanB consultants, up to date as the district begins to use the design build process. Mikalson noted the contract will come to the Board for approval. **Unanimous approval.**

New Elementary School Contractor Approval

Mike Tiller reviewed the RFP process and recommendation to award a construction contract to the low bid submitted by Kriby Nagelhout Construction in the amount of \$23,570,000.00

Chair High declared a possible conflict of interest as his personal business may bid on work as part of the new elementary school construction.

Peggy Kinkade moved to approve a contract for the construction of a new elementary school with Kirby Nagelhout Construction in the amount of \$23,570,000.00. Cheri Helt seconded the motion and said she is excited to use a local contractor. Chair High abstained from the vote. Unanimous approval.

Reports

New High School Update : 3D Rendering & Schematic Design

Superintendent Mikalson introduced Renee Alexander and Mark Nordeen from BBT Architects. He complimented their expertise and talent and invited them to share the schematic design for the New High School.

Alexander reviewed the work completed in the visioning and programming phases of the project. The schematic design phase recently completed and the team is now entering the design development process. Alexander reviewed the concept site plan and floor plan for the new high school. Nordeen shared the schematic design site plan including the layout of the school, sports fields, parking, access points and how the high school campus might connect to a future middle school campus. Nordeen shared interior and exterior perspectives of the new high school, noting these are starting points and will continue to be refined as the team begins to work with various focus groups.

Mikalson noted the team working on the vision for Bend Senior High's campus will work through similar phases. Their work began today and he is excited to see the vision for Bend Senior High evolve.

Ron Gallinat noted the design team for the new high school visited several high schools this past fall and asked how those visits contributed to the design presented. Nordeen said the new high school is a hybrid of the best features of those schools, and the media center specifically is one of the places that reflects the best aspect of the schools they were able to visit.

Chair High asked if there are any areas presenting challenges in the design phase. Mikalson said the design process is an ongoing journey and the tricky part is meeting the principles of the design while staying within budget. He said the Board will see a more refined presentation of the new high school in October and at that time the district will have a better idea of the budget. Helt said being a part of the design team has been the largest commitment of time she has spent on a Board project. The team is in agreement on design elements and are working together to make the hard decisions of keeping the new school's vision within budget.

Peggy Kinkade thanked Alexander and Nordeen for the presentation and is extremely excited to see the project evolve. Julie Craig asked how a road is named when it is on district property. Tiller said, in past projects, the design team has made a recommendation and worked with the City of Bend on naming roads. Craig suggested trying to name the new road and new high school at the same time.

Board Comments

Stuart Young shared about a meeting he and Cheri Helt recently attended called iGen. He appreciated the budget presentation and Superintendent Mikalson's safety update. The thoroughness of the new high school presentation was exceptional. He also expressed his thanks to teachers.

Cheri Helt shared some images and data from the iGen meeting and commented on the dramatic change in rates of depression, how social media impacts various demographic and economic groups, the increase in screen time and time spent online over recent years, sleeping patterns and length of sleep time have changed significantly; all of which have been recognized as possible suicide risk factors. Young suggested looking into this information more in depth as part of the Board retreat. Helt also thanked Bend police for their incredible partnership to help keep kids safe.

Julie Craig mentioned the OSBA Summer Conference in July, at The Riverhouse, will have an excellent guest speaker and encouraged Board member to attend.

Chair High asked Board members to let him know their date preference for a July business meeting / Board retreat. July 30 or 31, 2018.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrea Wilson
4.24.2018

Minutes approved at 5.8.18 board meeting