

The Port Orford-Langlois School Board met in a regular session on April 20, 2026 at 5:53 pm. The Board met in person at the Pacific High School Library, 45525 Highway 101, Sixes, Oregon, and simultaneously online via "Zoom". Board members present in person were Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Judy Miles, and Bob Brown. Staff present in person were Superintendent Aaron Miller, Business Manager Tara Garratt and Administrative Assistant Stephanie Griffith. Staff present on-line were DWS Principal Lisa Wendel and PHS Principal DeAnna Williams. IT Director Rusty Raymond recorded the meeting.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2 Staff and Visitors

2.0 AGENDA CHANGES

Item 3.5 was added.

3.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 3.1 Approve Minutes, March 16, 2026 Regular Meeting
- 3.2 Accept Resignation, DeAnna Williams (PHS Principal)
- 3.3 Accept Resignation, Kandi Wyatt (Spanish Teacher)
- 3.4 Accept Resignation, Dolores Seagrave (Head Cook)
- 3.5 Surplus Items Approval (Maintenance)

Carol Hacherl moved and Judy Miles seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Judy Miles, and Bob Brown all voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

4.0 PUBLIC INPUT and EDUCATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

John HuttI read a statement rebutting comments made about him at the last board meeting. John is the author of several books, available on Amazon. John has been looking to publicize his books to film makers. He met some students at a Rotary function and had an idea of asking students to read his book and if they liked it to reach out to a celebrity. He maintained his actions were not intended to hurt students. The full comments can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/@POLSD2CJ>.

Caroline Roberts talked about the Rotary Club, which is very prominent in town. She believes they have a lot of influence over the students. She had concerns about transportation to and from Rotary events. Aaron Miller stated the 2CJ school counselor does the driving. Caroline believes the argument for not approving TPUSA is not valid, as the Rotary is a good example of an influential club that provides financial benefits to students. She also is not sure Peaceful Schools is being run as well as it should.

Brittany Huggins commented on John HuttI's book. Her daughter read the book and it made her very uncomfortable. It had what she considered to be adult content, including topics of rape and domestic violence, which is inappropriate for teenage girls.

Educational Spotlight: Bellah Stephan, Rotary Club

Bellah Stephan of the Rotary proposed adding "Peace Poles" to Driftwood School and Pacific High School. Mike Hewitt displayed samples of the poles and described their history. The Rotary wants to buy and provide the poles, and have a ceremony with students that parents could attend. He described activities going on nationwide with the program. Bellah added the Rotary would pay all

expenses. There are optional sizes and poles could be either inside or outside, which are visual representations of our goal of peace. Bellah described the Peaceful Schools Program's lessons including emotional responsibility, creative problem solving, community building, and emotional regulation. The high school students take the lessons and teach them to the elementary children. The board decided to discuss the pole installation at the next board meeting

5.0 REPORTS

5.1 Student Representative Report

No representative or report.

5.2 Superintendent Report

Aaron Miller's report was included in the materials. The governor's recent executive order on instructional hours may affect the district's recent adoption of the four-day week for school year 2026-2027. Many elements of the order and its impact are undetermined at this time. Another community engagement night is scheduled for this week. The Academic Showcase is scheduled for next week.

5.3 PHS Principal Report

DeAnna Williams' report is in the board materials. She is working on staff evaluations. We are halfway through state testing. DeAnna is doing IReady prep, and is working on interventions. She is working on forecasting. 2CJ is hosting one major track event this year.

5.4 DWS Principal Report

Lisa Wendel's report is included in the meeting materials. Bob noted we had some good applicants for teaching positions. Lisa stated the posting timing was helpful as it was during spring break. We have some seasoned people interested in working for 2CJ.

5.5 Transportation and Maintenance Report

Chad Berry's report is included in the meeting materials. There were no questions.

5.6 Technology Report

Rusty Raymond updated the board on the Connecting Seniors program, which is an amazing program for both the local senior citizen and students. There are 10 students and 10 citizens, who meet at the Port Orford library every Friday from 10 am to 11 am. Rusty is also working with SCESD to be sure cyber security is updated to PACE requirements prior to June 30. PACE is insurance provided by OSBA; working with their requirements helps reduce the district's insurance premiums. We are also evaluating the server room and its efficiency.

5.7 Financial Report

Tara Garratt did not provide a report this month, due to her working on the budget and food service review. Ending fund balance looks to be \$1.8 million, which is higher than budgeted for.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Curriculum Adoption K-5 (TCI)

Q 6.2 McGraw Hill 6-8

The materials were available to view at the District Office for several weeks. There were no comments from the community. Carol Hacherl moved and Bob Brown seconded to adopt the curriculum as presented. Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Judy Miles, and Bob Brown all voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

7.0 OLD BUSINESS

None

8.0 REOCCURRING BUSINESS

8.1 School Board Timeline Review and Calendar

The timeline was reviewed. Stephanie noted Aaron's evaluation isn't due until May 15. Aaron stated he was fine with approval of his contract at the May 18 meeting. A work session to discuss district goals will need to be scheduled at the next board meeting.

8.2 Board Recognition (Thank you cards)

Stephanie pointed out the thank you card from the prior meeting was signed upside down. With the absence of Angel Ashdown, the card will be re-signed at the May board meeting. Suggestions for future thank you's were policy update crew and Connecting Seniors participants. Aaron suggested participants for community engagement participants.

9.0 FIRST READING OF POLICIES

1. AC - Nondiscrimination
2. AC-AR - Discrimination Complaint Procedures
3. ACB - Every Student Belongs
4. ACB-AR - Bias Incident Complaint Procedure
5. AD - Educational Philosophy (Delete)
6. AE - District Goals
7. BBA - Board Powers and Duties
8. BBAA - Individual Board Member's Authority and Responsibilities
9. BBB - Board Elections
10. BBBB - Board Member Oath of Office
11. BBC - Board Member Resignation
12. BBD - Board Member Removal from Office
13. BBE - Vacancies on the Board
14. BBF - Board Member Standards of Conduct
15. BBFA - Board Member Ethics and Conflicts of Interest

16. BBFB - Board Member Ethics and Nepotism
17. BBFC - Reporting of Suspected Abuse of a Child
18. BC/BCA - Board Organization/Board Organizational Meeting
19. BCB - Board Officers
20. BCBA - Student Representatives on the Board
21. BCE - Board Committees
22. BD/BDA - Board Meetings
23. BDC - Executive Sessions
24. BDD - Board Meeting Procedures
25. BDDA - Notification of Board Meetings
26. BDDC - Agenda Preparation and Dissemination
27. BDDG - Minutes of Board Meetings
28. BDDH - Public Comment at Board Meetings
29. BDDH-AR - Public Participation in Board Meetings
30. BF - Policy Development
31. BFC - Adoption and Revision of Policies
32. BFCA - Administrative Regulations
33. BFD - Board Policy Implementation
34. BFE - Administration in the Absence of Policy
35. BFF - Suspension of Policies
36. BFG - Policy Review and Evaluation/Manual Accuracy Check
37. BG - Board-Staff Communications
38. BH/BHA - Orientation of New Board Members
39. BHB/BHD - Board Member Development/Reimbursement
40. BHD - Board Member Stipends and Reimbursements
41. IKF-AR
42. IKF

Aaron recapped the project and its goals. The board approved the district to pay OSBA to do a complete policy manual rewrite. Carol Hacherl and Stephanie Griffith are going through every policy and are making notes for Aaron's consideration when he reviews them. The policies placed before the board have been updated by OSBA and their legal team and have been proofread by Carol Hacherl, Stephanie Griffith and Aaron Miller, with additional input from 2CJ staff as needed. OSBA has given the board permission to adopt the policies at first reading to save time. Once adopted, Stephanie will accept all the changes and forward them back to OSBA for inclusion in our on-line policy manual, and will be noted as "updated" on whichever date they are adopted. The first batch were selected strategically as they had very few changes and are specific to the school board, except for IKF-AR and IKF. Carl Hacherl noted items 39 and 40, regarding stipends. The board decided some time ago they would not accept stipends. Carol also suggested prioritizing policy segments regarding students and instruction.

Bob Brown moved and Carol Hacherl seconded to delete item 40, Policy BHD and retain item 39, Policy BHB/BHD. Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Judy Miles, and Bob Brown all voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Judy Miles moved and Bob Brown seconded to approve policy items 9.1 through 9.38 at first reading. Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Judy Miles, and Bob Brown all voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Bob Brown moved and Carol Hacherl seconded to adopt policy #41 IKF-AR and policy # 42, IKF as presented at first reading. Korinn Hockett, Carol Hacherl, Judy Miles, and Bob Brown all voted in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

10.0 SECOND READING OF POLICIES

None.

11.0 BOARD COMMENTS/REPORTS

Judy Miles noted she had attended a track meet for the first time.

12.0 CORRESPONDENCE

None.

13.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Peaceful Poles
- Scheduling board district goal workshop
- Thank you cards

14.0 Executive Session

The board entered Executive Session at 7:18 pm to evaluate top executive, pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2) (i) Evaluating Top Executive.

The board moved out of executive session at 7:49 pm

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Judy Miles moved and Bob Brown seconded to adjourn the regular board meeting. meeting. Judy Miles, Carol Hacherl, Korinn Hockett, and Bob Brown voted in favor. Korinn Hockett adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Korinn Hockett
Board Chair

Aaron Miller
Superintendent/Clerk