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#### **BETHEL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

District Office – 4640 Barger Drive Monday, January 13, 2020 6:30 p.m.

# **AGENDA**

Paul Jorgensen, Chair

2. Pledge of Allegiance Alan Laisure

3. Approval of Minutes

1. Call to Order

# 4. Superintendent's Report

- A. Oregon School Board Appreciation Proclamation
- B. Student Representative Reports, KHS and WHS
- C. Budget Committee Interviews and Appointments, Positions 6 and 7
- D. Annual Audit Report, Simon Levear and Larry Grant
- E. Fall Sports Review, Thomas Armstrong
- F. Financial Statement, Simon Levear
- G. Review Budget Calendar
- H. Legislative and School Finance Update
- I. Policy and Administrative Rule Update, 1st Reading
  - a. AC-AR Nondiscrimination *Updated to reflect new language*
  - b. EEA Student Transportation Services Updated to reflect new language
  - c. GBNAA/JHFF Reporting Requirements for Suspected Sexual Conduct with Students *New policy (replaces JHFF)*
  - d. GCAB Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media Staff Updated to reflect new language
  - e. IGBAF Special Education Individualized Education Plan (IEP) *Updated to reflect new language*
  - f. IGBAF-AR Special Education Individualized Education Plan (IEP) *Updated to reflect new language*
  - g. IGBBA Identification Talented and Gifted Students Updated to reflect new language
  - h. JED Student Absences and Excuses *Updated to reflect new language*
  - i. JHFE Reporting of Suspected Abuse of a Child Updated to reflect new language
  - j. JHFF/GBNAA Reporting Requirements for Suspected Sexual Conduct with Students *New policy (replaces JHFF)*

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# 5. Delegations and Visitors

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# 6. Consent Agenda

Personnel Action Resolution No. 27

# 7. Action Items

A. Budget Committee Appointments

Resolution No. 25

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#### 8. Information and Discussion

- A. BIG 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Black History Month Banquet, Friday, February 7, 5:30pm, Graduate Eugene
- B. NAACP 2020 Freedom Fund Dinner, Friday, February 21, 6:00pm, Valley River Inn
- C. 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Airport Rotary Foundation Dinner & Auction, Friday, February 28, 5:30pm, Valley River Inn
- D. NSBA Annual Conference, April 4-6, Chicago

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# 9. Board Activity Update

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# 10. Review of Next Meeting: Monday, January 27, 2020

- A. Student Presentation, Fairfield Elementary School
- B. Student Representative Reports, KHS and WHS
- C. Airport Rotary Foundation Scholarship Update, Glen Martz
- D. Sources of Strength
- E. Bethel Health Center, Brooke Cottle
- F. 2018-19 Graduation Rate, Kee Zublin and Tasha Katsuda
- G. Student Success Act Update
- H. Division 22 Assurances, Kee Zublin and Tasha Katsuda
- I. Adopt Budget Calendar
- J. Approve Boundary Change
- K. Legislative & School Finance Update
- L. Board Policies Up for Periodic Review

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# 11. Adjournment

# **ATTENDANCE**

Board Members: Debi Farr, Greg Nelson, Alan Laisure, Robin Zygaitis, and Chair, Paul Jorgensen

Absent: Dawnja Johnson and Rich Cunningham

<u>District staff, students, and community members identified:</u> Superintendent Parra, Student Representative Elizabeth Ortiz, Student Representative Shahayla Luna, Remie Calalang, Simon Levear, Dan Hedberg, Pat McGillivray, Tasha Katsuda, Kee Zublin, Takana Thomas, Tina Gutierez-Schmich, Renee Brolin, Ewa Lancaster, Tara Roddy, Jason Betterley, Craig Smith, Carl Sherwood, Erin Basinger, Bobbi Derrickson, Steve Bell, Willamette High School students, and Jill Busby

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jorgensen called the November 18, 2019 meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 6:31 p.m.

# **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Farr led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **ACTION ON MINUTES**

Chair Jorgensen presented the Minutes from the October 28, 2019 Board Meeting and asked for additions or corrections. Hearing none, the Board approved the Minutes as submitted.

Alan Laisure arrived at approximately 6:34 p.m.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

# KHS Student Representative Report, Shahayla Luna

Shahayla reported on each cohort's current focus, including solutions for climate change and CPR training and certification. Students will be working on building a chicken coop on the Bethel Farm for recently hatched chickens. Kalapuya's Hot Sauce Club participated in the Spicy Bowl VI competition, a fundraiser for Food for Lane County, and received the "Best New Entry of the Year" award. Mr. Dambrov and Mr. Zydycryn recently received grants from Northwest Community Credit Union. Mr. Dambrov's grant is for bee keeping and restoration, and Mr. Zydycryn's is for the Hot Sauce Club. Kalapuya is waiting to hear whether their Farm to School grant will be awarded. The upcoming intersession week will provide an opportunity for students to work on credit recovery or earn extra credit. A group of Kalapuya students and staff will be traveling to Death Valley.

# WHS Student Representative Report, Elizabeth Ortiz

Elizabeth shared that Willamette student Logan Walker is one of six semi-finalists in the US Senate Youth Program and was recently interviewed by state Senators. *Miss Bunny Bunting's Bonafide Belles or the Trail of the Tenebrous Tiara* will be performed by Willamette's theatre on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Willamette will be on a modified schedule this week due to parent-teacher conferences. The fall choir concert will be held November 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in Powers Auditorium. Elizabeth shared activities at Willamette related to gratitude, which is this month's Sources of Strength campaign theme. Winter sports tryouts are taking place this week.

# Student Presentation, Willamette High School

Willamette High School Principal Dan Hedberg introduced Takana Thomas, one of Willamette's Black Student Union advisors. Ms. Thomas shared that she is honored to assist with the Black Student Union (BSU), where students honor their heritage and have effortlessly taken on leadership roles. Students Dante and Kyshan, Vice President and President of the BSU, respectively, provided an overview of the group and shared several activities students are involved in, including connecting with BSUs at UO and LCC. Willamette's BSU is active in the community and is one of the only high school BSU programs in Lane County to operate autonomously on a high school campus. BSU students surveyed identified sense of community as the most valuable asset of the BSU. Mr. Hedberg, Dante, and Kyshan answered questions from the Board.

# German American Partnership Program, Ewa Lancaster

Willamette High School Principal Dan Hedberg introduced German Teacher Ewa Lancaster and School Counselor Tara Roddy. Ms. Lancaster, the German American Partnership Program (GAPP) Coordinator for Willamette High School, provided an overview of the program and shared that Willamette has participated in the GAPP for more than 20 years. Last summer 10 Willamette students traveled to Germany with Ms. Lancaster and Ms. Roddy as part of the German exchange program. Ms. Roddy shared that she enjoyed observing how the students transformed during the trip. Photos were shared with highlights from the trip. Students Jordan and Sarah described their experiences traveling to Germany, attending a German school, and staying with host families. Parent Steve Bell shared his perspective on how the trip benefited his daughter. Ms. Lancaster read a letter submitted by a parent and commented that parents overall provided positive feedback related to the GAPP.

# Budget Committee Interviews and Appointments, Positions 3, 6, and 7

Chair Jorgensen thanked Erin Basinger for her written statement that was part of her Budget Committee application. The 2020-21 Budget Committee Interview Questions document was provided to Ms. Basinger and the Board interviewed her for Budget Committee Position 3, 6, or 7.

Director Laisure commented that he has attended Willamette Touchdown Club events, which Ms. Basinger is involved with organizing. Ms. Basinger shared information about the Willamette Touchdown Club with the Board.

# City of Eugene Echo Hollow Pool Update, Pat McGillivray

Community Relations Director Pat McGillivray introduced City of Eugene Recreation Services Director Craig Smith and Architect Carl Sherwood from Robertson Sherwood Architects PC, and distributed copies of an Off-Site Parking Lease Agreement to Board members. Mr. Smith and Mr. Sherwood described plans for the Echo Hollow Pool renovation and expansion, which is being funded by the 2018 Parks and Recreation bond. Construction will begin February 2020. High school swim teams will utilize Amazon Pool while Echo Hollow Pool is closed. Mr. Sherwood shared that an additional 24 parking spaces will be necessary for the Echo Hollow Pool project and that code allows the City of Eugene to enter into cooperative parking agreements with adjacent landowners. The City of Eugene is requesting usage of 24 parking spaces at Cascade Middle School. The peak season for use of the parking spaces will be during the summer months. Mr. Sherwood reviewed several historical verbal cooperative agreements that are currently in place but will now need to be formal written agreements. Mr. McGillivray, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Sherwood answered questions from the Board. Agreements between the District and the City of Eugene for the Echo Hollow Pool renovation and expansion will be presented at the December 9, 2019 Board meeting.

# Health Education Update, Kee Zublin

Curriculum Director Kee Zublin highlighted recent mandates related to health education, including CPR/AEDs instruction once during grades 7-12, sexual assault prevention (Erin's Law) annually K-12, drug and alcohol prevention annually 9-12, and suicide prevention annually K-12. Mr. Zublin reported on how sexual assault prevention and drug and alcohol prevention curriculum are being implemented at all required grade levels, and shared information regarding the half-time certified drug and alcohol counselor at Willamette and Sources of Strength, a suicide prevention program that has been implemented in the District's middle and high schools. Director Farr, Community Relations Manager at Trillium Community Health Plan, summarized a letter that was presented to Board members from the Early Learning Alliance Pediatric Advisory Team. The letter recommends that school districts use Student Success Act funds to invest in evidence-based prevention programs, including AIR Good Behavior Game and Sources of Strength (SOS). The Pediatric Advisory Team is also recommending that qualified mental health providers be available in schools. In addition to counselors on staff at each school, Bethel Education Foundation recently received an innovation grant from Trillium to provide Skill Builders in all Bethel elementary schools.

# Financial Statement, Simon Levear

Business Services Director Simon Levear reviewed the October 2019 financial statement showing an estimated Ending Fund Balance of \$9,995,542 and shared that the recent refinancing of school bonds will save taxpayers just under \$2 million.

# PERS Update, Simon Levear

Business Services Director Simon Levear reviewed potential impacts of SB 1049, including reduced benefits to some PERS recipients and extending the timeline for which the PERS unfunded liability of \$27 million is paid by employers. Mr. Levear also reviewed options for investing in a side account. Because Bethel's Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL) exceeds 200% of payroll, the District is currently eligible to apply for the Employer Incentive Fund (EIF) side account and could request a 25% match on lump-sum payments to the side account. On December 2, 2019, the application period will open to all employers. Submitting an application for the EIF will not obligate the District to act. Mr. Levear reviewed the benefits and risks of a side account and PERS bonds. The Board agreed that the District should submit an application for the EIF side account using \$1 million of fund balance, which could potentially save the District \$80k per year.

Superintendent Parra generated a sign-up sheet to track Board members' attendance at Student Success Act sessions.

# Legislative and School Finance Update

Superintendent Parra did not present a legislative and school finance update.

# Policy and Administrative Rule Update, 1st Reading

Superintendent Parra reported on the following Board Policies and Administrative Rules:

EBCB – Emergency Drills and Instruction – *Updated to reflect new language*EFAA-AR – District Nutrition and Food Services – *Updated to reflect new language*FFA – Donor Recognition and Dedications – *Updated to reflect new language*GBJ – Weapons in Schools – Staff & Volunteers – *Updated to reflect new language*JGAB – Use of Physical Restraint and Seclusion – *Updated to reflect new language* 

JGAB-AR – Use of Physical Restraint and Seclusion – Updated to reflect new language

# **DELEGATIONS AND VISITORS**

None

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

# Resolution No. 19 - Personnel Action

**Motion:** Debi Farr moved, Alan Laisure seconded, to approve the Revised Consent Agenda as specified below.

#	Name	Туре	Description
1.	Castillo, Lara	Resignation/Retirement/Rehire	Accept resignation effective 12/31/2019 to enter retirement. Offer Temporary 1.0 FTE Contract from 1/1/2020 through the end of the 2019-20 school year; Position Held: 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher @ Irving; 31 years at Bethel.
2.	Manley, Clair	Resignation	Accept resignation effective 11/20/2019; Position held: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher @ Meadow View; 12 years at Bethel.
3.	Oliver, Natalie	Resignation	Accept resignation effective 7/30/2019; Position held: Principal @ Cascade; 9 years at Bethel.
4.	Page, Ashley	Additional Hours for 2019-20	Offer Temporary Contract for Additional .5 FTE 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Facilitating Teacher @ Prairie Mountain; Total: 1.0 FTE.
5.	Slagle, Karlie	Hire for 2019-20	Offer Extra Duty Contract for Green Teacher Leader @ Shasta.
6.	Stephens, Kyle	Hire for 2019-20	Offer Extra Duty Contract for Assistant Basketball Coach @ Willamette.
7.	Timm, Kristi	Hire for 2019-20	Offer Extra Duty Contract for Varsity Cheer Coach @ Willamette.
8.	Tompkins, Jenny	Resignation	Accept resignation effective 1/7/2020; Position held: Extended Resource Room Teacher @ Meadow View; 6 months at Bethel.
9.	Jimenez, Alejandro	Resignation	Accept resignation effective 12/20/2019; Position held: School Counselor @ Willamette; 4 months at Bethel.

Motion Passed, 5-0

Absent: Dawnja Johnson and Rich Cunningham

Rich Cunningham joined the meeting via phone conference at approximately 8:50 p.m.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

# Resolution No. 20 - Approve OSBA Board of Directors Position 6

**Motion:** Rich Cunningham moved, Paul Jorgensen seconded, to approve Sherry Duerst-Higgins, South Lane 45J/Lane ESD, to OSBA Board of Directors Position 6. The Board discussed this position and thanked Ms. Duerst-Higgins for her dedication and years of service.

#### Motion Failed, 2-4

Alan Laisure, Debi Farr, Robin Zygaitis, and Greg Nelson voted against approving Sherry Duerst-Higgins for OSBA Board of Directors Position 6.

Absent: Dawnja Johnson

**Motion:** Debi Farr moved, Robin Zygaitis seconded, to approve Linda Hamilton, Lane ESD, to OSBA Board of Directors Position 6. Directors Farr and Zygaitis discussed reasons Ms. Hamilton would be valuable in OSBA Board of Directors Position 6.

# Motion Passed, 5-1

Rich Cunningham voted against approving Linda Hamilton, Lane ESD, to OSBA Board of Directors Position 6. **Absent:** Dawnja Johnson

# Resolution No. 21 - Approve OSBA Legislative Policy Committee Position 6

**Motion:** Alan Laisure moved, Debi Farr seconded, to approve Judy Newman, Eugene 4J, to OSBA Legislative Policy Committee Position 6.

Motion Passed, 6-0 Absent: Dawnja Johnson

# Resolution No. 22 - Budget Committee Appointment

Motion: Alan Laisure moved, Greg Nelson seconded, to appoint T. Erin Basinger to Budget Committee

Position 3.

Motion Passed, 6-0 Absent: Dawnja Johnson

# INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

A. NSBA Annual Conference, April 4-6, 2020, Chicago

# **BOARD ACTIVITY UPDATE**

A. Director Laisure and the Board shared how enjoyable Meadow View Jazz Band's performance was at the OSBA Annual Convention and how much they enjoyed all of the keynote speakers.

# **REVIEW OF NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2019**

- A. Student Representative Reports, KHS and WHS
- B. Student Presentation, Prairie Mountain School
- C. Equity Committee Update, Tina Gutierez-Schmich
- D. Financial Statement, Simon Levear
- E. Legislative & School Finance Update
- F. Board Policies Up for Periodic Review

MINUTES
BETHEL SCHOOL DISTRICT #52
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
NOVEMBER 18, 2019

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>	
There being no further business	to bring before the Board, Chair Jorgensen adjourned the meeting at 9:17
p.m.	
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Clerk – Chris Parra	Chair – Paul Jorgensen
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# **BETHEL SCHOOL DISTRICT #52**

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# COMMITTEE APPLICATION

Name of Committee Bucket Committee
Applicant's Name De viller Ziegler Phone 541.232.8767
Address 1852 Heitzman Day Euge 97402
Email Address ) Ziegler @ Food For County org
Occupation Door: Corporate Are you a registered voter? YES NO
Do you reside within the Bethel School District boundaries? 45 How Long? 45 (If additional space is needed, please use reverse side.)
Briefly state your reasons for applying for this position bewing children in
the school district, I would like to be more involved
In the School Board. Chris Parra suggested Unis
Position to me.
What (if any) are your goals and priorities for this committee? To see 1-3 rolog
Streams, how funding is used, and to help prioritize
programs within our schools.
Special interests or qualifications & work in Development at FFIC,
working with budgets. I'm also a parel in the
Community normed in our district
Thank you for your interest in serving the children of our community. All appointments to advisory committees are made by the School Board as vacancies occur. The Board appreciates the opportunity to meet applicants before appointments are final, but this is not a requirement to serve. Please return this form to the District Office by November 1, 2019, at 4:00pm.

Signature of Applicant

9/23/2019

# **BETHEL SCHOOL DISTRICT #52**

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# **COMMITTEE APPLICATION**

Name of Committee Bridget Committee
Applicant's Name Ausa Hammond Phone 541-520-9686
Address 4671 Royal Ave Eugen OR 97402
Email Address Chammond Opeachealth. ong
Occupation <u>Insurance</u> Coordinator Are you a registered voter? XYES NO
Do you reside within the Bethel School District boundaries? Wes How Long? 17415 (If additional space is needed, please use reverse side.)
Briefly state your reasons for applying for this position I am a mon of 4 kids and a bethel pound and would like to give back to the Schools.
What (if any) are your goals and priorities for this committee? to see the working of the system from the other orde
Special interests or qualifications Tre been volunturing in this the comments for 1712 years.
Thank you for your interest in serving the children of our community. All appointments to advisory committees are made by the School Board as vacancies occur. The Board appreciates the opportunity to meet applicants before appointments are final, but this is not a requirement to serve.  Please return this form to the District Office by November 1, 2019, at 4:00pm.  DEC - 4 2019

# Bethel School District GENERAL FUND re and Expenditure Summary/Projection (unaudited) Fiscal Year 2019/2020

better than forecast within 2% of forecast Within 2% - 4% of forecast

Over 4% of forecast

	Prior Months	Current Month	Future Months	Preliminary		
	Actuals	Priliminary	Projected	2019/2020	2019/2020	Budget
		Dec 2019		Totals	ADOPTED BUDGE	Variance
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REVENUES						
LOCAL SOURCES:						
Current year's levy* R1111	9,973,178	5,306,765	1,203,692	16,483,636	16,464,599	19,037
Prior years' taxes* R1112 & 1190 & 1200	110,705	25,608	13,113	149,426	58,000	91,426
Tuition from other Districts	0	0	0	0	0	0
Investment earnings R1510	204,338	57,939	185,116	447,393	300,000	147,393
Misc. local sources R1910 & R1940 & R196		1,237	63,520	188,743	123,800	64,943
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Subtotal	10,412,207	5,391,549	1,465,441	17,269,197	16,946,399	322,798
INTERMEDIATE SOURCES:	, ,	, ,	, ,			•
County School Fund* R2101	0	0	60,000	60,000	60,000	0
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Subtotal	0	0	60,000	60,000	60,000	0
STATE SOURCES:		_	55,555		,	-
SSF- Current Year R3101	20,499,891	3,420,615	17,678,945	41,599,450	41,140,561	458,889
Common School Fund* R3103	0	0, 120,010	528,769	528,769	528,769	0
High Cost Disability	0	0	18,000	18,000	18,000	0
Other State Funds	0	0	. 0,000	0	0	0
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Subtotal	20,499,891	3,420,615	 18,225,714	42,146,220	41,687,330	458,889
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Other Federal Grants 4700	5,137	0	0	5,137	0	5,137
Federal Forest Fees* R4801	0,137	0	50,000	50,000	50,000	0,137
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Subtotal	5,137	0	50,000	55,137	50,000	5,137
OTHER RESOURCES:	3,137	O	30,000	55,157	30,000	0,107
Interfund Transfers In R5200	86,000	0	0	86,000	108,000	(22,000)
Sale of or Comp for loss of asset	80,056	0	0	80,056	0	80,056
Beginning fund balance R5400	10,182,493	0	0	10,182,493	9,300,000	882,493
beginning fund balance N3400	10,162,493	U	U	10,162,493	9,300,000	862,493
Subtotal	10,348,549	0	0	10,348,549	9,408,000	940,549
Subtotal	10,346,549	U	U	10,346,349	9,400,000	940,549
Total, monthly revenues				69,879,103	68,151,729	1,727,374
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EXPENDITURES						
Salaries- 100	8,667,679	2,565,107	18,939,460	30,172,245	30,040,216	132,030
Employee benefits- 200	6,103,070	1,791,460	14,008,497		22,131,845	(228,819)
Purchased services- 300	1,634,301	488,267	3,679,324		5,713,206	88,686
Supplies- 400	445,175	99,486	3,679,324 607,479		1,056,480	95,660
Capital outlay- 500	11,631	80,603	607, <del>4</del> 79	92,234	132,000	(39,766)
Insurance/Dues/Other- 600	450,404	6,573	1,572	92,234 458,549	477,545	(39,766)
Insurance/Dues/Other- 600 Interfund Transfers	· ·	0,573	•	-		
	120,000	_	297,393		537,973	(120,580)
Contigency	0	0	0	0	2,968,073	
Total monthly avond	17 422 202		27 522 724	E0 007 400	62 0E7 220	(04.790)
Total, monthly expend.	17,432,260	5,031,495	37,533,724	59,997,480	63,057,338	(91,786)
Month-end Fund Balance				9,881,623	1,000,000	
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# BETHEL SCHOOL DISTRICT



# 2020-2021 - Budget Calendar



JANUARY 27, 2020 Board Adopts 220-2021 Budget Calendar

TO BE DETERMINED Appoint Budget Committee Members

APRIL 6, 2020 All budget materials due from buildings—300,400,500,600 series

APRIL 13, 2020 Submit notice to Register Guard

APRIL 20, 2020 Publish first notice of Budget Committee Meeting (5 to 30 days prior to meeting)

MAY 11, 2020 Budget Committee 'Orientation', 5:00 p.m.

Budget Document/Budget Message presented to the Budget Committee

First Budget Committee Meeting, District Office, 6:30 p.m.

MAY 14, 2020 Budget Committee Meeting at District Office, 5:30 p.m. Discussion of budgets for Elementary, K-8, Middle School and High

School Programs, Administration, Special Services, All Schools, Other Funds and General Fund Revenue

**Approval of Budget** 

MAY 21, 2020 Alternative date for approval of the budget, District Office, 6:30 p.m.

JUNE 8, 2020 Publication of NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING, FINANCIAL SUMMARY, and FUND SUMMARIES

(not more than 25 nor less than 5 days prior)

**JUNE 22, 2020** Public Hearing on Budget

Enact resolutions adopting the budget, making the appropriations, and declaring the tax levy

#### AC. **NONDISCRIMINATION** Adopted: 12/2017, 01/2020

# **Discrimination Complaint Procedure**

Complaints must be filed within 180 days of the original incident.

Complaints regarding discrimination or harassment, on any basis protected by law, shall be processed in accordance with the following procedures:

# Step 1: Initiating a Complaint

Complaints may be oral or in writing and must be filed with the building principal. Any member of the public who wishes to express a complaint should discuss the matter with the school employee involved. Any staff member that receives an oral or written complaint shall report the complaint to the building administrator principal.

The principal shall investigate and determine the action to be taken, if any, and reply in writing to the complainant within ten school days of receipt of the complaint.

# Step 2: The Building Administrator

If the complainant wishes to appeal the decision of the principal, a student, parent, employee or community member believes a complaint has not been resolved satisfactorily in Step 1, the complainant may file submit a written appeal or oral complaint with a suggested remedy, with the building administrator to the superintendent or designee within five school days of the meeting with the employee (see Discrimination Complaint Form in this AR). after receipt of the principal's response to the complaint.

The superintendent or designee shall review the principal's decision within five school days and may meet with all parties involved. The superintendent or designee will review the merits of the complaint and the principal's decision. The superintendent or designee will respond in writing to the complainant within ten school days.

- The building administrator will provide the complainant with a copy of the complaint process.
- The building administrator shall investigate and determine the action to be taken, if any, and reply in writing, to the complainant within five school days of receipt of the complaint.

# Step 3: The District Administration Office

- If the complainant wishes to appeal the decision of the building administrator, they may submit a written appeal to the superintendent or designee within ten school days after receipt of the building administrator's response to the complaint.
- The superintendent or designee shall review the building administrator's decision and may meet with with involved parties.
- The superintendent or designee will review the merits of the complaint and the building administrator's decision and respond in writing to the complainant within fifteen school days.

# Step 3 4: The Board

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If the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the superintendent or designee, a written appeal may be filed with the Board within five school days of receipt of the superintendent's or designee's response to Step 2.3. The Board may decide to hear or deny the request for appeal at a Board meeting. If the Board decides to hear the appeal,  $\mp$  the Board may meet with the concerned parties and their representative at a Board meeting.

The Board may elect to hold the hearing in executive session if the subject matter qualifies under ORS 192.660(1)(b), unless the parent, student, or employee requests the matter to be discussed in open session. The Board's decision will be final and will address each allegation in the complaint and contain reasons for the Board's decision.

A copy of the Board's final decision shall be sent to the complainant in writing or electronic form within 20 ten days of this meeting.

If the building administrator is the subject of the complaint, the individual may start at step 2 3 and should file a complaint with the superintendent or designee.

If the superintendent is the subject of the complaint, the complaint may start at step 3 4 and should be referred to the Board Chair. The Board may refer the investigation to a third party.

Complaints against the Board as a whole or against an individual Board member, may start at step 3-4 and should be made to the Board chair and may be referred to District Counsel. Complaints against the Board Chair may start at step 3 4 and be made directly to the Board Vice Chair or District Counsel.

The Ttimelines established in each step of this procedure may be extended based upon mutual written consent of both parties. the District and the complainant in writing, but will not be longer than 30 days from the date of the submission of the complaint at any step. The overall timeline of this complaint procedure may be extended beyond 90 days from the initial filing of the complaint upon written mutual consent of the District and the complainant.

If the complainant is a person who resides in the District, is a parent or guardian of a student who attends school in the District, or is a student and is not satisfied after exhausting local complaint procedures or the District fails to render a written decision within 30 days of submission of the complaint at any step or the District fails to resolve the complaint within 90 days of the initial filing of the complaint, whichever occurs first, he/she then the complainant may appeal in writing the District's final decision to the Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction under Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 581-021-0049-0001 – 581-002-0023.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An appeal must meet the criteria found in OAR 581-002-0005(1)(a).

# **DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT FORM**

Name of Person Filing Complaint D		Date School or A	School or Activity	
Student/Parent □ Employ	yee □ <del>Nonemploye</del>	ee (Job applicant) 🗆 Other 🗆		
Type of discrimination:	□ Race	□ Color	□ Religion	
	□ Sex	□ National or ethnic Origin	☐ Mental or Physical Disability	
	□ Marital Status	□ Age	□ Sexual Orientation	
	□ Gender Identity	□ Familial Status	□ Economic Status	
	□ Veterans' Status	Discriminatory use of a Native American mascot	□ Pregnancy	
		□ Other		
Who should we talk to and	what evidence should	d we consider?		
Suggested solution/resolution	on/outcome:			

This complaint form should be mailed or submitted to the building principal.

Direct complaints related to educational programs and services may be made to the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights. Direct complaints related to employment may be filed with the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries, Civil Rights Division, or the U.S. Department of Labor, Equal **Employment Opportunities Commission.** 

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Subject: Student Transpo	rtation Services		i
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# **POLICY**

School Ttransportation services will be provided for students to and from school in accordance with State and Federal laws, regulations, and guidelines pertaining to school bus transportation. Students navigating homelessness will be provided Ttransportation will be provided for homeless students to and from the student's school of origin¹ as required by the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA). These sServices shall be provided throughout the regularly scheduled year and during the regular school day as determined by the Board.

Students living within specified attendance boundaries shall receive transportation services to their respective schools. In addition, students, including those receiving special education, may be eligible for transportation for Transportation for students who live closer to school than suggested distances may be provided by the Board for safety, health or other reasons.

The Board may provide transportation for students between the various Bethel schools and other places of instruction to which they are assigned for educational purposes.

The District may use Type 10 School Activity Vehicles to transport students from home to school, school to home and from District-sponsored activities.

Transportation will be arranged for educational field trips. Participants in athletics and other activities may need to provide their own transportation for events within the Eugene/Springfield metropolitan area.

Transportation for students with disabilities receiving special education services will be provided as determined by IEP teams. Preschool students with disabilities who have transportation as a related service and children from birth to age three who are enrolled in an eligible program shall be provided home to school transportation.

The District may also provide transportation using federal funds<sup>2</sup> or through cooperative agreements with local victims assistance units for a student to attend a safe District school<sup>3</sup> out of the student's attendance area for any student who is a victim of a violent criminal offense occurring in or on the grounds of the school the student attends or the student attends a school identified as persistently dangerous.

<sup>1</sup>"School of origin" means the school that the student attended when permanently housed or the school in which the student was last enrolled.

When the student has completed the final grade served by the school of origin, the term "school of origin" shall include the designated receiving school at the next grade level for all feeder schools.

<sup>2</sup>"Federal funds" means funds available through Title IV, Part A, and Title V, Part A.

<sup>3</sup>If there is not another school in the District to which students can transfer, districts are encouraged, but not required, to explore other appropriate options, i.e., an agreement with a neighboring district.

If there are no other schools within the District a student may transfer to, the District may establish a cooperative agreement with other districts in the area for a transfer. Transportation for students who transfer for such purposes will be provided in accordance with the agreement.

Students attending any private, parochial or public charter school under the compulsory school attendance laws will, where the private, parochial or public charter school is along or near the bus route, be provided equally the riding privileges given to public school students.

Transportation will be provided for students whose parent or guardian voluntarily placed the child outside the child's home with a public or private agency and who is living in a licensed, certified or approved substitute care program, and whose residency is established pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 339.134.

A seat that fully supports each person and meets the minimum standards and specifications of law will be provided at all times. A person who weighs 40 pounds or less must be properly secured with a child safety system that meets the minimum standards and specifications established by the Oregon Department of Transportation under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 815.055. A person over 40 pounds or who has reached the upper weight limit for the forward-facing car seat must use a booster seat until he/she is four feet nine inches tall or age eight and the adult belt properly fits. A person who is taller than four feet nine inches or eight years of age or older must be properly secured with a safety belt or harness that meets the requirements under ORS 815.055. In accordance with ORS 811.210 and 811.215 vehicles in excess of 10,000 pounds used for student transportation are exempt from statutory requirements unless they have been equipped with lap belts. Vehicles in excess of 10,000 pounds that have been equipped with lap belts must meet child car seat requirements as set forth in law.

School buses carrying students will be considered extensions of the school experience. All students using school transportation will abide by the code of conduct posted in each school bus or school activity vehicle. Violations of such code, as well as other conduct which is improper or which jeopardizes the safety of self or others, will be reported by the school bus or vehicle driver to the transportation supervisor. The transportation supervisor will, as soon as possible, inform the appropriate administrator of such occurrence. Violators may be denied use of transportation for a period of time as deemed proper by the administrator and transportation supervisor.

The principal or designee shall ensure transportation officials and drivers shall receive notification of students having special medical or behavioral protocols identified in student records. and dDrivers shall receive appropriate training related to specified protocols, including requirements of confidentiality.

The school bus or vehicle driver will be responsible for the school bus or vehicle at all times from departure until return. The driver will not participate in any activities that might impair his/her their driving abilities.

Aides or assistants that ride a school bus shall receive training on emergency procedures and their role in the safe transportation of all students on the bus.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>"Proper fit" means the lap belt of the safety belt or safety harness is positioned low across the thighs and the shoulder belt is positioned over the collarbone and away from the neck.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

None.

# **END OF POLICY**

# REFERENCES / COMMENTS

Legal Reference(s):	
ORS 327.006	ORS 343.533
ORS 327.033	ORS 343.155 to-343.243
ORS 327.043	ORS 811.210
ORS 332.405	ORS 811.215
ORS 332.415	ORS 815.055
ORS 339.240 to-339.250	ORS 815.080
ORS 343.155 to-343.246	ORS 820.100 to-820.190
OAR 581-021-0050 to-0075	OAR 581-053-0040
OAR 581-022-1530	OAR 581-053-0053
OAR 581-023-0040	OAR 581-053-0060
OAR 581-053-0002	OAR 581-053-0070
OAR 581-053-0003	OAR 581-053-0210
OAR 581-053-0004	OAR 581-053-0220
OAR 581-053-0010	OAR 581-053-0230
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	OAR 735-102-0010
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Senate Bill 905 (2019)

Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015, 20 U.S.C. §§ 6315, 7912 (20158). McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 11431-11435 (2012).

Bethel Administrative Rule EEA: Student Transportation Services

Subject: Reporting Requirements for Suspected Sexual Conduct with Students
Policy Number: GBNAA/JHFF Effective Date: 1/2020
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# **POLICY**

Sexual conduct by district employees, contractors<sup>1</sup>, agents<sup>2</sup>, and volunteers<sup>3</sup> is not tolerated. All district employees, contractors, agents, and volunteers are subject to this policy.

"Sexual conduct," means verbal or physical conduct or verbal, written or electronic communications by a school employee, a contractor, an agent or a volunteer that involve a student and that are sexual advances or requests for sexual favors directed toward the student, or of a sexual nature that are directed toward the student or that have the effect of unreasonably interfering with a student's educational performance, or of creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive educational environment, "Sexual conduct" does not include touching that is necessitated by the nature of the school employee's job duties or by the services required to be provided by the contractor, agent or volunteer, and for which there is no sexual intent.

"Student" means any person who is in any grade from prekindergarten through grade 12 or 21 years of age or younger and receiving educational or related services from the district that is not a post-secondary institution of education, or who was previously known as a student by the person engaging in sexual conduct and who left school or graduated from high school within 90 days prior to the sexual conduct.

Any district employee, contractor, agent or volunteer who has reasonable cause to believe that a student has been subjected to sexual conduct by another district employee, contractor, agent or volunteer, or that another district employee, contractor, agent or volunteer has engaged in sexual conduct with a student shall immediately report such suspected sexual conduct to the designated licensed administrator or the alternate designated licensed administrator for their school building. If the superintendent is the alleged perpetrator the report shall be submitted to the Human Resources Director who shall report the suspected sexual conduct to the Board chair.

If an employee fails to report suspected sexual conduct or fails to maintain confidentiality of records, the employee will be disciplined up to and including dismissal.

When the designated licensed administrator receives a report of suspected sexual conduct by a District employee, contractor, agent or volunteer, the administrator will follow procedures established by the District and set forth in the District's administrative regulation JHFF/GBNAA-AR - Suspected Sexual Conduct Report Procedures and Form. All such reports will be reported to the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) or Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) as appropriate, for investigation. The agency receiving a report will complete an investigation regardless of any changes in the relationship or duties of the person who is the alleged perpetrator.

1 "Contractor" means a person providing services to the district under a contract in a manner that requires the person to have direct, unsupervised contact with students.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Agent" means a person acting as an agent for the district in a manner that requires the person to have direct, unsupervised contact with students.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "Volunteer" means a person acting as a volunteer for the district in a manner that requires the person to have direct, unsupervised contact with students.

When there is reasonable cause to support the report, a District employee suspected of sexual conduct shall be placed on paid administrative leave pending an investigation and the district will take necessary actions to ensure the student's safety.

When there is reasonable cause to support the report, a district contractor, agent or volunteer suspected of sexual conduct shall be removed from providing services to the district and the district will take necessary actions to ensure the student's safety.

The district will post in each school building the names and contact information of the employees designated for the school building to receive reports of suspected sexual conduct and the procedures the designee will follow upon receipt of the report.

The district will notify, as allowed by state and federal law, the person who was subjected to the suspected sexual conduct about any actions taken by the district as a result of the report.

A district employee, contractor or agent will not assist another district employee, contractor or agent in obtaining a new job if the individual knows, or has reasonable cause to believe the district employee, contractor or agent engaged in sexual conduct. Nothing in this policy prevents the district from disclosing information required by law or providing the routine transmission of administrative and personnel files pursuant to law.

The initiation of a report in good faith about suspected sexual conduct may not adversely affect any terms or conditions of employment or the work environment of the person who initiated the report or who may have been subject to sexual conduct. If a student initiates a report of suspected sexual conduct by a district employee, contractor, agent or volunteer in good faith, the student will not be disciplined by the district or any district employee, contractor, agent or volunteer.

The district will provide to employees at the time of hire, or to a contractor, agent or volunteer at the time of beginning service for the district, the following:

- 1. A description of conduct that may constitute sexual conduct;
- 2. A description of the investigatory process and possible consequences if a report of suspected sexual conduct is substantiated; and
- 3. A description of the prohibitions imposed on district employees, contractors and agents when they attempt to obtain a new job, pursuant to ORS 339.378(2).

All district employees are subject to Board policy GCAB - Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media - Staff regarding appropriate electronic communications with students.

Any electronic communications with students by a contractor, agent or volunteer for the district will be appropriate and only when directed by district administration. When communicating with students electronically regarding school-related matters, contractors, agents or volunteers shall use district e-mail using mailing lists and/or other internet messaging to a group of students rather than individual students or as directed by district administration. Texting or electronically communicating with a student through contact information gained as a contractor, agent or volunteer for the district is prohibited.

The superintendent shall develop administrative regulations to implement this policy and to comply with state law.

# **REPORTS**

None.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

None.

# **END OF POLICY**

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 332.107 ORS 339.370 - 339.400 ORS 419B.005 - 419B.045

Senate Bill 155 (2019)

Every Student Succeeds Act, 20 U.S.C. § 7926 (2018).

Subject: Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media - Staff
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Date of Next Review: 1/2023

# **POLICY**

Staff possession or use of personal electronic devices on District property, in District facilities during the work day and while the staff is on duty in attendance at District-sponsored activities may be permitted subject to the limitations set forth in this policy and consistent with any additional school rules as may be established by the Superintendent or designee. At no time, whether on duty or off duty, will a personal electronic device be used in a manner that interferes with staff duty and responsibility for the supervision of students.

A "personal electronic device" is a device that may or may not be is not issued by the District and which is a device that is capable of electronically communicating, sending, receiving, storing, recording, reproducing and/or displaying information and data.

Personal electronic devices shall be silenced during instructional time, while on duty or at any other time where such use of the device would cause a disruption of school activities, student learning or interfere with an employee's work assignment. While an employee is on duty, personal electronic devices brought to school will be restricted to work or instructional-related activities only. The District will not be liable for loss or damage to personal electronic devices brought to District property and District-sponsored activities.

Staff members, while on duty and off duty, will utilize social network sites (e.g., Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc.), public websites and blogs, judiciously by not posting confidential or personally identifiable information about students, staff, or District business without appropriate permission. Staff members, while on duty and off duty, will treat fellow employees, students, families, and the public with respect while posting in order to prevent substantial disruption in school.

Communication with students and families using personal communication devices will be appropriate and professional at all times. Communication with students using personal communication devices regarding non-school-related matters is prohibited during work hours and strongly discouraged at all other times. If communicating with students electronically regarding school-related matters, staff should use District-provided e-mail using mailings, and/or other internet messaging or media to a group of students rather than individual students whenever possible to maintain a record of the communication. If using other means of electronic communication, staff members are strongly encouraged to maintain a record of all electronic communication. Texting a student while off duty is strongly discouraged.

Exceptions to the prohibitions set forth in this policy may be made for health, safety, or emergency reasons with Superintendent or designee approval.

Staff are subject to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal for using a personal communication device in any manner that is illegal or violates the terms of this policy. Staff actions on social network sites, public websites, blogs and other social media, while on or off duty, which disrupt the school environment, are subject to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal. A "disruption" for purposes

of this policy includes but is not limited to, one or more parent requests to remove their children from a particular class or particular school, actual withdrawal of a student or students from a particular class or particular school and/or a threatened, perceived, or actual negative impact on the learning environment.

The taking, disseminating, transferring or sharing of obscene, pornographic or otherwise illegal images or photographs, whether by electronic data transfer or otherwise (commonly called texting, sexting, emailing etc.) may constitute a crime under state and/or federal law. Any person taking, disseminating, transferring or sharing obscene, pornographic or otherwise illegal images or photographs, will be reported to law enforcement and/or other appropriate state or federal agencies. Reported violations of this policy will be investigated.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that this policy is available to all employees.

# **REPORTS**

None.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

None.

#### **END OF POLICY**

# **REFERENCES / COMMENTS**

Legal Reference(s):	
<u>ORS 163</u> .432	ORS 163.700
<u>ORS 163</u> .433	ORS 167.054
<u>ORS 163</u> .684	ORS 167.057
<u>ORS 163</u> .686	ORS 326.011
<u>ORS 163</u> .687	ORS 326.051
<u>ORS 163</u> .688	ORS 332.072
<u>ORS 163</u> .689	ORS 332.107
<u>ORS 163</u> .693	ORS 339.372

Senate Bill 155 (2019)

18 U.S. C. amend. XVIII, § 1466A (2018) 18 U.S. C. amend. XVIII, § 1470 (2018) 20 U.S. C. amend. XX, § 7906 (2018) 20 U.S. C. amend. XX, § 6777 7131 (2018)

Copyrights, Title 17, as amended, United States Code (2018); 19 CFR Part 133 (200119).

Melzer v. Bd. Of Educ., City of New York, 336 F.3d 185 (2d Cir. 2003).

Ross v. Springfield Sch. Dist., No. FDA 80-1, aff'd, 56 Or. App. 197, rev'd and remanded, 294 Or. 357 (1982), order on remand (1983), aff'd, 71 Or. App. 111 (1984), rev'd and remanded, 300 Or. 507 (1986), order on second remand (1987), revised order on second remand (1988).

Subject: Special Education – Individualized Education Plan (IEP)			
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Cancels Policy No.:		Dated:	
Date of Next Review: 1/2023			

# **POLICY**

An individualized education program (IEP) shall be developed and implemented for each eligible student with disabilities in the District, kindergarten through 21, including those who attend a public charter school in the District, are placed in or referred to a private school or facility by the District, or receive related services from the District. The District is responsible for initiating and conducting the meetings to develop, review, and revise the IEP of a student with disabilities. The District will ensure that one or both parents or guardians are present at each meeting or are afforded the opportunity to participate and are given a copy of the IEP. A meeting to develop an IEP shall be held within 30 calendar days of a determination that the student needs special education and related services, once every 365 days thereafter, and when considering a change in the IEP or placement.

If a student is to be placed or referred to a private school or facility or attends a private or parochial school, the District will ensure that a representative of the private school or facility attends the IEP meeting. If the representative of the private school or facility is unable to attend the IEP meeting, the District shall use other methods to ensure participation, including but not limited to, individual or conference telephone calls, or individual meetings.

# **REPORTS**

None.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

None.

# **END OF POLICY**

# **REFERENCES / COMMENTS**

ORS 343.151	OAR 581-015-2210
ORS 343.155	OAR 581-015-2215
OAR 581-015-2000	OAR 581-015-2220
OAR 581-015-2190	OAR 581-015-2225
OAR 581-015-2195	OAR 581-015-2230
OAR 581-015-2200	OAR 581-015-2055
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Bethel Administrative Rule IGBAF: Special Education – Individual Education Plan (IEP)

# IGBAF. SPECIAL EDUCATION – INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM PLAN (IEP) Adopted: 1/2020

# 1. General IEP Information

- a. The district ensures that an IEP is in effect for each eligible student:
  - (1) Before special education and related services are provided to a student;
  - (2) At the beginning of each school year for each student with a disability for whom the district is responsible; and
  - (3) Before the district implements all the special education and related services, including program modifications, supports and/or supplementary aids and services, as identified on the IEP.

# b. The district uses:

- (1) The Oregon standard IEP; or
- (2) An IEP form that has been approved by the Oregon Department of Education.
- c. The district develops and implements all provisions of the IEP as soon as possible following the IEP meeting.
- d. The IEP will be accessible to each of the student's regular general education teacher(s), the student's special education teacher(s) and the student's related services provider(s) and other service provider(s).
- e. The district takes steps to ensure that <del>parent(s)</del> guardian(s) are present at each IEP meeting or have the opportunity to participate through other means.
- f. The district ensures that each teacher and service provider is informed of:
  - (1) Their specific responsibilities for implementing the IEP specific accommodations, modifications and/or supports that must be provided for, or on behalf of the student; and
  - (2) Their responsibility to fully implement the IEP, including any amendments the district and parents guardians agreed to make between annual reviews.

The district takes whatever action is necessary to ensure that <del>parents</del> guardians understand the proceedings of the IEP team meeting, including arranging for an interpreter for <del>parents</del> guardians with deafness or whose native language is other than English.

h. The district provides a copy of the IEP to the parents gaurdians at no cost.

# 2. IEP Meetings

- a. The district conducts IEP meetings within 30 calendar days of the determination that the student is eligible for special education and related services.
- b. The district convenes IEP meetings for each eligible student periodically, but not less than once per year.
- c. At IEP meetings, the team reviews and revises the IEP to address any lack of expected progress toward annual goals and in the general curriculum, new evaluation data or new information from the parentguardian(s), the student's anticipated needs, or the need to address other matters.
- d. Between annual IEP meetings, the district and the parent guardian(s) may amend or modify the student's current IEP without convening an IEP team meeting, using the procedures in the Agreement to Amend or Modify IEP subsection.

- e. When the parent guardian(s) requests a meeting, the district will either schedule a meeting within a reasonable time or provide timely written prior notice of the district's refusal to hold a meeting.
- f. If an agency other than the district fails to provide agreed upon transition services contained in the IEP, the district convenes an IEP meeting to plan alternative strategies to meet the transition objectives and, if necessary, to revise the IEP.

#### 3. IEP Team Members

- a. The district's IEP team members include the following:
  - (1) The student's parent guardian(s);
  - (2) The student, if the purpose of the IEP meeting is to consider the student's postsecondary goals and transition services (beginning for IEPs in effect at age 16), or for younger students, when appropriate;
  - (3) At least one of the student's special education teachers or, if appropriate, at least one of the student's special education providers;
  - (4) At least one of the student's regular general education teachers if the student is or may be participating in the regular general education environment. If the student has more than one regular general education teacher, the district will determine which teacher or teachers will participate;
  - (5) A representative of the district (who may also be another member of the team) who is qualified to provide or supervise the provision of special education and is knowledgeable about district resources. The representative of the district will have the authority to commit district resources and be able to ensure that all services identified in the IEP can be delivered;
  - (6) An individual, who may also be another member of the team, who can interpret the instructional implications of the evaluation results; and
  - (7) At the discretion of the guardian parent or district, other persons who have knowledge or special expertise regarding the student.

# b. Student participation:

- (1) Whenever appropriate, the student with a disability is a member of the team.
- (2) If the purpose of the IEP meeting includes consideration of postsecondary goals and transition services for the student, the district includes the student in the IEP team meeting.
- (3) If the purpose of the IEP meeting includes consideration of postsecondary goals and transition services for the student, and the student does not attend the meeting, the district will take other steps to consider the student's preferences and interests in developing the IEP.

# c. Participation by other agencies:

- (1) With parent guardian or adult student written consent, and where appropriate, the district invites a representative of any other agency that is likely to be responsible for providing or paying for transition services if the purpose of the IEP meeting includes the consideration of transition services (beginning at age 16, or younger if appropriate); and
- (2) If the district refers or places a student in an ESD, state operated program, private school or other educational program, IEP team membership includes a representative from the appropriate agencies. Participation may consist of attending the meeting, conference call, or participating through other means.

# 4. Agreement for Nonattendance and Excusal

- a. The district and the parent may consent to excuse an IEP team member from attending an IEP meeting, in whole or in part, when the meeting involves a discussion or modification of team member's area of curriculum or service. The district designates specific individuals to authorize excusal of IEP team members.
- b. If excusing an IEP team member whose area is to be discussed at an IEP meeting, the district ensures:
  - (1) The parent guardian and the district consent in writing to the excusal;
  - (2) The team member submits written input to the parents and other members of the IEP team before the meeting; and
  - (3) The parent guardian is informed of all information related to the excusal in the parent guardian's native language or other mode of communication according to consent requirements.

# 5. IEP Content

- a. In developing the IEP, the district considers the student's strengths, the parent's concerns, the results of the initial or most recent evaluation, and the academic, developmental and functional needs of the student.
- b. The district ensures that IEPs for each eligible student includes:
- (1) A statement of the student's present levels of academic achievement and functional performance that:
  - (a) Includes a description of how the disability affects the progress and involvement in the general education curriculum;
  - (b) Describes the results of any evaluations conducted, including functional and developmental information;
- (c) Is written in language that is understood by all IEP team members, including guardians parents;
  - (d) Is clearly linked to each annual goal statement;
  - (e) Includes a description of benchmarks or short term objectives for children with disabilities who take alternative assessments aligned to alternate achievement standards.
  - (2) A statement of measurable annual goals, including academic and functional goals, or for students whose performance is measured by alternate assessments aligned to alternate achievement standard, statements of measurable goals and short term objectives. The goals and, if appropriate, objectives:
    - (a) Meet the student's needs that are present because of the disability, or because of behavior that interferes with the student's ability to learn, or impedes the learning of other students.
    - (b) Enable the student to be involved in and progress in the general curriculum, as appropriate; and
    - (c) Clearly describe the anticipated outcomes, including intermediate steps, if appropriate, that serve as a measure of progress toward the goal.
  - (3) A statement of the special education services, related services, supplementary aids and services that the district provides to the student:
    - (a) The district bases special education and related services, modifications and supports on peer-reviewed research to the extent practicable to assist students in advancing toward

- goals, progressing in the general curriculum and participating with other students (including those without disabilities), in academic, nonacademic and extracurricular activities.
- (b) Each statement of special education services, related or supplementary services, aids, modifications or supports includes a description of the inclusive dates, amount or frequency, location and who is responsible for implementation.
- (4) A statement of the extent, if any, to which the student will not participate with nondisabled students in regular academic, nonacademic and extracurricular activities.
- (5) A statement of any individual modifications and accommodations in the administration of state or district wide assessments of student achievement.
  - (a) A student will not be exempt from participation in state or district wide assessment because of a disability unless the parent requests an exemption;
  - (b) If the IEP team determines that the student will take an the alternate assessment in any area instead of a the regular state or district wide assessment, a statement of why the student cannot participate in the regular assessment and why the alternate assessment selected is appropriate for the student.
- (6) A statement describing how the district will measure student's progress toward completion of the annual goals and when periodic reports on the student's progress toward the annual goals will be provided.

# 6. Agreement to Amend or Modify IEP

Between annual IEP meetings, the district and the parent guardian may agree to make changes in the student's current IEP without holding an IEP meeting. These changes require a signed, written agreement between the district and the guardian parent.

- a. The district and the guardian parent record any amendments, revisions or modifications on the student's current IEP. If additional IEP pages are required these pages must be attached to the existing IEP.
- b. The district files a complete copy of the IEP with the student's education records and informs the student's IEP team and any teachers or service providers of the changes.
- c. The district provides the parent prior written notice of any changes in the IEP and, upon request, provides the parent guardian with a revised copy of the IEP with the changes incorporated.

# 7. IEP Team Considerations and Special Factors

- a. In developing, reviewing and revising the IEP, the IEP team considers:
  - (1) The strengths of the student and concerns of the parent guardian for enhancing the education of the student;
  - (2) The results of the initial or most recent evaluation of the student;
  - (3) As appropriate, the results of the student's performance on any general state or districtwide assessments;
  - (4) The academic, developmental, and functional needs of the child.
- b. In developing, reviewing and revising the student's IEP, the IEP team considers the following special factors:
  - (1) The communication needs of the student; and

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- (2) The need for assistive technology services and/or devices.
- c. As appropriate, the IEP team also considers the following special factors:
  - (1) For a student whose behavior impedes his or her learning or that of others, strategies, positive behavioral intervention and supports to address that behavior;
  - (2) For a student with limited English proficiency, the language needs of the student as those needs relate to the IEP;
  - (3) For a student who is blind or visually impaired, instruction in Braille and the use of Braille unless the IEP team determines (after an evaluation of reading and writing skills, needs and media, including evaluation of future needs for instruction in Braille or the use of Braille, appropriate reading and writing), that instruction in Braille or the use of Braille is not appropriate; and
  - (4) For a student who is deaf or hard of hearing, the student's language and communication needs, including opportunities for direct communication with peers and professional personnel in the student's language and communication mode, academic level and full range of needs, including opportunities for direct instruction in the student's language and communication mode.
  - (5) A statement of any device or service needed for the student to receive a Free Appropriate Public Education.
- d. In addition to the above IEP contents, the IEP for each eligible student of transition age includes:
  - (1) Beginning not later than the IEP in effect when the student turns 16, or younger if determined appropriate by the IEP team, and updated annually thereafter, the IEP must include:
    - (a) Appropriate measurable postsecondary goals based upon age appropriate transition assessments related to training education, employment, and where appropriate, independent living skills; and
    - (b) The transition services (including courses of study) needed to assist the student in reaching those goals.
  - (2) At least one year before a student reaches the age of majority (student reaches the age of 18, or has married or been emancipated, whichever occurs first), a statement that the district has informed the student that all procedural rights will transfer at the age of majority; and
  - (3) If identified transition service providers, other than the district, fail to provide any of the services identified on the IEP, the district will initiate an IEP meeting as soon as possible to address alternative strategies and revise the IEP if necessary.

#### 8. Incarcerated Youth

- a. For students with disabilities who are convicted as adults, incarcerated in adult correctional facilities and otherwise entitled to FAPE, the following IEP requirements do not apply:
  - (1) Participation of students with disabilities in state and districtwide assessment; and
  - (2) Transition planning and transition services, for students whose eligibility will end because of their age before they will be eligible to be released from an adult correctional facility based on consideration of their sentence and eligibility for early release.
- b. The IEP team may modify the student's IEP, if the state has demonstrated a bona fide security or other compelling interest that cannot be otherwise accommodated.

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#### 9. Extended School Year Services

- a. The district makes extended school year (ESY) services available to all students for whom the IEP team has determined that such services are necessary to provide a free appropriate public education (FAPE).
- b. ESY services are:
  - (1) Provided to a student with a disability in addition to the services provided during the typical school year;
  - (2) Identified in the student's IEP; and
  - (3) Provided at no cost to the guardian parent.
- c. The district does not limit consideration of ESY services to particular categories of disability or unilaterally limit the type, amount or duration of service.
- d. The district provides ESY services to maintain the student's skills or behavior, but not to teach new skills or behaviors.
- e. The district's criteria for determining the need for extended school year services include:
  - (1) Regression (a significant loss of skills or behaviors) and recoupment time based on documented evidence; or
  - (2) If no documented evidence, on predictions according to the professional judgment of the team.
- f. "Regression" means significant loss of skills or behaviors in any area specified on the IEP as a result of an interruption in education services.
- g. "Recoupment" means the recovery of skills or behaviors specified on the IEP to a level demonstrated before the interruption of education services.

# 9. Assistive Technology

- a. The district ensures that assistive technology devices or assistive technology services, or both, are made available if they are identified as part of the student's IEP. These services and/or devices may be part of the student's special education, related services or supplementary aids and services.
- b. On a case-by-case basis, the district permits the use of district-purchased assistive technology devices in the student's home or in other settings if the student's IEP team determines that the student needs access to those devices to receive a free appropriate public education. In these situations, district policy will govern liability and transfer of the device when the student ceases to attend the district.

# 10. Transfer Students

# a. In state:

If a student with a disability (who had an IEP that was in effect in a previous district in Oregon) transfers into the district and enrolls in a district school within the same school year, the district (in consultation with the student's parents) provides a free appropriate public education to the student (including services comparable to those described in the student's IEP from the previous district), until the district either:

(1) Adopts the student's IEP from the previous district; or

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(2) Develops, adopts and implements a new IEP for the student in accordance with all of the IEP provisions.

# b. Out of state:

If a student transfers into the district with a current IEP from a district in another state, the district, in consultation with the student's guardians parents, will provide a free appropriate public education to the student, including services comparable to those described in the student's IEP from the previous district, until the district:

- (1) Conducts an initial evaluation (if determined necessary by the district to determine Oregon eligibility) with parent consent and determines whether the student meets eligibility criteria described in Oregon Administrative Rules.
- (2) If the student is eligible under Oregon criteria, the district develops, adopts and implements a new IEP for the student using the Oregon Standard IEP or an approved alternate IEP.
- (3) If the student does not meet Oregon eligibility criteria, the district provides prior written notice to the parents explaining that the student does not meet Oregon eligibility criteria and specifying the date when special education services will be terminated.

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Subject: Identification – Talented and Gifted Students						
Policy Number: <u>IGBBA</u>	Effective Date: 1/2020					
Date of Original Policy and Revis	sions: <u>6/17</u>					
Cancels Policy: N/A	Dated: N/A					
Date of Next Review: 1/2023						

## **POLICY**

In order to serve academically talented and intellectually gifted students in grades K-12, the District directs the superintendent or designee to establish a written identification process.

This process of identification shall include as a minimum:

- 1. Use of research based best practices to identify talented and gifted students from underrepresented populations such as ethnic minorities, students with disabilities, students who are culturally and/or linguistically diverse or economically disadvantaged.
- 2. Behavioral, learning and/or performance information.
- 3. A nationally standardized mental ability test for assistance in the identification of intellectually gifted students.
- 4. A nationally standardized academic achievement test of reading or mathematics such as the Smarter Balanced Assessment for assistance in identifying academically talented.
- 5. A team shall make the final decisions on the identification of students using the information described above in numbers 2, 3 and 4. No single test, measure or score shall be the sole criterion. Identified students shall score at or above the 97th percentile on one of these tests. Other students who demonstrate the potential to perform at the eligibility criteria may be identified as talented and gifted. A record of the team's decision, and the data used by the team to make the decision, shall become a part of the educational record for each student considered.

If a parent is dissatisfied with the identification process or placement of their student, they may appeal the decision through board policy and administrative rule KL – Complaint Procedure. After exhausting the District's appeal procedure and receiving a the District's final decision, a parent may appeal the decision to the State Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction- under Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 581-002-0001 – 581-002-0023. The District shall provide a copy of the OARS upon request.

# **REPORTS**

None.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

None.

# **END OF POLICY**

# REFERENCES/COMMENTS Legal Reference(s):

ORS 343.395 ORS 343.407 ORS 343.411 OAR 581-021-0030 OAR 581-022-1310 to -1330 OAR 581-022-1940 OAR 581-022-1941

Subject: Student Absences and Excuses
Policy Number: <u>JED</u> Effective Date: <u>1/2020</u>
Date of Original Policy and Revisions: <u>5/07, 1/10, 10/11, 10/11, 11/14, 1/18</u>
Cancels Policy: <u>JE</u> Dated: <u>1/2010</u>
Date of Next Review: 1/2023
POLICY Maintaining regular attendance in all assigned classes is the responsibility of parents or guardians and students. A student's Aabsence from school or class will be excused under the following circumstances:
1. Illness of the student, including mental and behavioral health of the student;
2. Illness of an immediate family member, when the student's presence at home is necessary;
3. Emergency situations that require the student's absence;
4. Student is a dependent of a member of the U.S. Armed Forces <sup>1</sup> who is on active duty or who is called to active duty. The student may be excused for up to seven days during the school year;
5. Field trips and school-approved activities;
6. Medical (dental) appointments. Confirmation of appointments may be required;
7. Other reasons deemed appropriate by the school administrator when satisfactory arrangements have been made in advance of the absence.
Each school shall notify a parent or guardian by the end of the school day if their child has an unplanned absence. The notification will be either in person, by telephone or another method identified in writing by the parent or guardian. If the parent or guardian cannot be notified by the above methods, a message shall be left, if possible.
Schools will publish specific attendance rules and procedures annually in student handbooks.
REPORTS None.
ATTACHMENTS None.
END OF POLICY
REFERENCES / COMMENTS Legal Reference(s)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> U.S. Armed Forces includes the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard of the United States; reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines Corps and Coast Guard of the United States; and the National Guard of the United States and the Oregon National Guard.

ORS 109.056	ORS 339.065
ORS 332.107	ORS 339.071
ORS 339.030	ORS 339.420
ORS 339.055	OAR 581-021-0046
	OAR 581-021-0050
	OAR 581-023-0006 (11)

Subject: Reporting of Suspected	Abuse of a Chil	<u>ld</u>
Policy Number: JHFE	Effective Date	:: <u>1/2020</u>
Date of Original Policy and Revision	ns: <u>9/<b>96</b>, 5/00, 1</u>	2/05, 2/08, 6/09, 11/10, 1/12, 1/13, 4/18
Cancels Policy No.: N/A	Dated: N/A	
Date of Next Review: 1/2023		

# **POLICY**

Any District employee who has reasonable cause to believe that any child with whom the employee has come in contact has suffered abuse<sup>1</sup> shall orally report or cause an oral report immediately by telephone or otherwise to the local office of the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) or its designee or to the law enforcement agency within the county where the person making the report is located at the time of the contact pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 419B.010. Any District employee who has reasonable cause to believe that any adult or student with whom the employee is in contact has abused a child shall immediately report or cause a report to be made in the same manner to DHS or its designee or to the law enforcement agency within the county where the person making the report is located at the time of the contact pursuant to ORS 419.010. If known, the report shall contain the names and addresses of the child and the parents of the child or other persons responsible for the child's care, the child's age, the nature and extent of the suspected abuse, including any evidence of previous abuse, the explanation given for the suspected abuse, any other information that the person making the report believes might be helpful in establishing the possible cause of the abuse and the identity of a possible perpetrator.

Abuse of a child by District employees, contractors<sup>2</sup>, agents<sup>3</sup>, volunteers<sup>4</sup>, or students will not be tolerated. All District employees, contractors, agents, volunteers and students are subject to this policy and the accompanying administrative regulation.

Any District employee who has reasonable cause to believe that another District employee, contractor, agent, volunteer or student has engaged in abuse, or that a student has been subjected to abuse by another District employee, contractor, agent, volunteer or student shall immediately report such to the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) or its designee or the local law enforcement agency pursuant to ORS 419B.015, and to the designated licensed administrator.

The District will designate a licensed administrator and an alternate licensed administrator, in the event that the designated licensed administrator is the suspected abuser, for each school building to receive reports of suspected abuse of a child by District employees, contractors, agents, volunteers or students.

If the Superintendent is the alleged perpetrator the report shall be submitted to the Human Resources Director who shall also report to the Board chair.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes the neglect of a child; abuse is defined in ORS 419B.005.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Contractor" means a person providing services to the District under a contract in a manner that requires the person to have direct, unsupervised contact with students.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "Agent" means a person acting as an agent for the District in a manner that requires the person to have direct, unsupervised contact with students.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> "Volunteer" means a person acting as a volunteer for the District in a manner that requires the person to have direct, unsupervised contact with students.

The District will post the name and contact information of the designees for each school building designated to receive reports of suspected abuse and the procedures the designee will follow upon receipt of a report, the contact information for local law enforcement and the local DHS office or its designee and a statement that the duty to report suspect abuse is in addition to the requirements of reporting to a designated licensed administrator.

When a designee receives a report of suspected abuse, the designee will follow procedure established by the District and set forth in administrative regulation JHFE-AR(1) - Reporting of Suspected Abuse of a Child. All such reports of suspected abuse will be reported to a law enforcement agency or DHS, or its designee, for investigation, and the agency will complete an investigation regardless of any changes in the relationship or duties of the person who is the alleged abuser.

When there is reasonable cause to support the report, a District employee suspected of abuse shall be placed on paid administrative leave pending an investigation and the District will take necessary actions to ensure the student's safety. When there is reasonable cause to support the report, a District contractor, agent or volunteer suspected of abuse shall be removed from providing services to the District and the District will take necessary actions to ensure the student's safety.

The District will notify the person, as allowed by state and federal law, who was subjected to the suspected abuse about any actions taken by the District as a result of the report.

A substantiated report of abuse by an employee shall be documented in the employee's personnel file. A substantiated report of abuse by a student shall be documented in the student's education record.

The initiation of a report in good faith, pursuant to this policy, may not adversely affect any terms or conditions of employment or the work environment of the person initiating the report or who may have been subjected to abuse. If a student initiates a report of suspected abuse of a child by a District employee, contractor, agent, volunteer or student, in good faith, the student will not be disciplined by the District or any District employee, contractor, agent or volunteer. Intentionally making a false report of abuse of a child is a Class A violation.

The District shall provide training each school year to District employees on the prevention and identification of abuse, the obligations of District employees under ORS 339.388 and ORS 419B.005 - 419B.050 and as directed by Board policy to report suspected abuse of a child, and appropriate electronic communications with students. The District shall make available each school year the training described above to contractors, agents, volunteers, and parents and legal guardians of students attending District-operated schools, and will be made available separately from the training provided to District employees. The District shall provide each school year information on the prevention and identification of abuse, the obligations of District employees under Board policy to report abuse, and appropriate electronic communications with students to contractors, agents and volunteers. The District shall make available each school year training that is designed to prevent abuse to students attending District-operated schools.

The District shall provide to a District employee at the time of hire, or to a contractor, agent, or volunteer at the time of beginning service for the District, the following:

- 1. A description of conduct that may constitute abuse;
- 2. A description of the investigatory process and possible consequences if a report of suspected abuse is substantiated; and
- 3. A description of the prohibitions imposed on District employees, contractors, and agents when they attempt to obtain a new job, as provided under ORS 339.378. A District employee, contractor

or agent will not assist another District employee, contractor or agent in obtaining a new job if the individual knows, or has reasonable or probable cause to believe the District employee, contractor or agent engaged in abuse, unless criteria found in ORS 339.378(2)(c) are applicable.

Nothing in this policy prevents the District from disclosing information required by law or providing the routine transmission of administrative and personnel files pursuant to law.

The District shall make available to students, District employees, contractors, agents, and volunteers a policy of appropriate electronic communications with students.

Any electronic communications with students by a contractor, agent or volunteer for the District will be appropriate and only when directed by District administration. When communicating with students electronically regarding school-related matters, contractors, agents or volunteers shall use District e-mail, using mailing lists and/or other internet messaging to a group of students rather than individual students or as directed by District administration. Texting or electronically communicating with a student through contact information gained as a contractor, agent or volunteer for the District is strongly discouraged.

The Superintendent shall develop administrative regulations as are necessary to implement this policy and to comply with state law.

Any District employee who has reasonable cause to believe that any child with whom the employee has come in contact has suffered abuse or neglect, as defined in state law, by any adult or by a student with whom the employee is in contact has abused a child, will immediately notify the Oregon Department of Human Services or the local law enforcement agency. The District employee shall also immediately inform his/her supervisor, principal or Superintendent.

Abuse of a child by District employees or by students will not be tolerated. All District employees are subject to this policy and the accompanying administrative regulation. If a District employee is a suspected abuser, reporting requirements remain the same. The District will designate the Human Resources Director to receive reports of abuse of a child by District employees and specify the procedures to be followed upon receipt of an abuse report. In the event the designated person is the suspected abuser, the Superintendent shall receive the report of abuse. The District will post in each school building the name and contact information of the person designated to receive child abuse reports, as well as the procedures the Human Resources Director will follow upon receipt of a report. When the Human Resources Director takes action on the report, the person who initiated the report must be notified.

A substantiated report of abuse by an employee shall be documented in the employee's personnel file. A substantiated report of abuse by a student shall be documented in the student's education record.

Upon request, the District shall provide records of investigations of suspected abuse of a child by a District employee or former District employee to law enforcement, Oregon Department of Human Services, or Teachers Standards and Practices Commission.

Any District employee participating in good faith in the making of a report, pursuant to this policy and Oregon law and who has reasonable grounds for the making thereof, shall have immunity from any liability, civil or criminal, that might otherwise be incurred or imposed with respect to the making or content of any such report. Further, the initiation of a report in good faith about suspected abuse of a child may not adversely affect any terms or conditions of employment or the work environment of the complainant. If a student initiates a report of suspected abuse of a child by a District employee or a student, in good faith, the student will not be disciplined by the Board or any District employee. Intentionally making a false report of abuse of a child is a Class A violation.

The District shall establish written procedures to provide annual training: 1) for District staff in the prevention and identification of abuse of a child and on the obligations of District employees under ORS 419B.005 as directed by Board policy to report suspected abuse of a child; 2) for parents and legal guardians of students attending District schools on the prevention, identification of abuse of a child and the obligation of District employees to report suspected child abuse, separate from District staff training; and 3) designed to prevent abuse of a child available to students attending District operated schools. The Superintendent shall implement such regulations as are necessary to accomplish the intent of this policy and to comply with state law.

# **REPORTS**

None.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

None.

#### **END OF POLICY**

# REFERENCES / COMMENTS

ORS 339.370 to ORS 339.400 ORS 418.746 to 418.751 ORS 419B.005 to 419B.050

OAR 581-022-0711

HB 4016 (2012)

Greene v. Camreta, 588 F.3d 1011 (9th Cir. 2009); vacated in part by, remanded by Camreta v. Greene, 131 S. Ct. 2020 (U.S. 2011); vacated in part, remanded by Greene v. Camreta 661 F. 1201 (9th Cir. 2011).

Bethel Administrative Rule JHFE: Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse

Subject: Reporting Requirements	for Suspected Sexual Conduct with Students
Policy Number: JHFF/GBNAA	Effective Date: 1/2020
Date of Original Policy and Revision	ns: <u>1/20</u>
Cancels Policy No.: JHFF	Dated: 12/09, 12/11, 1/14, 12/18
Date of Next Review: 1/2023	

**POLICY** 

Sexual conduct by district employees, contractors<sup>1</sup>, agents<sup>2</sup>, and volunteers<sup>3</sup> is not tolerated. All district employees, contractors, agents, and volunteers are subject to this policy.

"Sexual conduct," means verbal or physical conduct or verbal, written or electronic communications by a school employee, a contractor, an agent or a volunteer that involve a student and that are sexual advances or requests for sexual favors directed toward the student, or of a sexual nature that are directed toward the student or that have the effect of unreasonably interfering with a student's educational performance, or of creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive educational environment. "Sexual conduct" does not include touching that is necessitated by the nature of the school employee's job duties or by the services required to be provided by the contractor, agent or volunteer, and for which there is no sexual intent.

"Student" means any person who is in any grade from prekindergarten through grade 12 or 21 years of age or younger and receiving educational or related services from the district that is not a post-secondary institution of education, or who was previously known as a student by the person engaging in sexual conduct and who left school or graduated from high school within 90 days prior to the sexual conduct.

Any district employee, contractor, agent or volunteer who has reasonable cause to believe that a student has been subjected to sexual conduct by another district employee, contractor, agent or volunteer, or that another district employee, contractor, agent or volunteer has engaged in sexual conduct with a student shall immediately report such suspected sexual conduct to the designated licensed administrator or the alternate designated licensed administrator for their school building. If the superintendent is the alleged perpetrator the report shall be submitted to the Human Resources Director who shall report the suspected sexual conduct to the Board chair.

If an employee fails to report suspected sexual conduct or fails to maintain confidentiality of records, the employee will be disciplined up to and including dismissal.

When the designated licensed administrator receives a report of suspected sexual conduct by a District employee, contractor, agent or volunteer, the administrator will follow procedures established by the District and set forth in the District's administrative regulation JHFF/GBNAA-AR - Suspected Sexual Conduct Report Procedures and Form. All such reports will be reported to the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) or Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) as appropriate, for investigation. The agency receiving a report will complete an investigation regardless of any changes in the relationship or duties of the person who is the alleged perpetrator.

<sup>1</sup> "Contractor" means a person providing services to the district under a contract in a manner that requires the person to have direct, unsupervised contact with students.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Agent" means a person acting as an agent for the district in a manner that requires the person to have direct, unsupervised contact with students.

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When there is reasonable cause to support the report, a District employee suspected of sexual conduct shall be placed on paid administrative leave pending an investigation and the district will take necessary actions to ensure the student's safety.

When there is reasonable cause to support the report, a district contractor, agent or volunteer suspected of sexual conduct shall be removed from providing services to the district and the district will take necessary actions to ensure the student's safety.

The district will post in each school building the names and contact information of the employees designated for the school building to receive reports of suspected sexual conduct and the procedures the designee will follow upon receipt of the report.

The district will notify, as allowed by state and federal law, the person who was subjected to the suspected sexual conduct about any actions taken by the district as a result of the report.

A district employee, contractor or agent will not assist another district employee, contractor or agent in obtaining a new job if the individual knows, or has reasonable cause to believe the district employee, contractor or agent engaged in sexual conduct. Nothing in this policy prevents the district from disclosing information required by law or providing the routine transmission of administrative and personnel files pursuant to law.

The initiation of a report in good faith about suspected sexual conduct may not adversely affect any terms or conditions of employment or the work environment of the person who initiated the report or who may have been subject to sexual conduct. If a student initiates a report of suspected sexual conduct by a district employee, contractor, agent or volunteer in good faith, the student will not be disciplined by the district or any district employee, contractor, agent or volunteer.

The district will provide to employees at the time of hire, or to a contractor, agent or volunteer at the time of beginning service for the district, the following:

- 1. A description of conduct that may constitute sexual conduct;
- 2. A description of the investigatory process and possible consequences if a report of suspected sexual conduct is substantiated; and
- 3. A description of the prohibitions imposed on district employees, contractors and agents when they attempt to obtain a new job, pursuant to ORS 339.378(2).

All district employees are subject to Board policy GCAB - Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media - Staff regarding appropriate electronic communications with students.

Any electronic communications with students by a contractor, agent or volunteer for the district will be appropriate and only when directed by district administration. When communicating with students electronically regarding school-related matters, contractors, agents or volunteers shall use district e-mail using mailing lists and/or other internet messaging to a group of students rather than individual students or as directed by district administration. Texting or electronically communicating with a student through contact information gained as a contractor, agent or volunteer for the district is prohibited.

The superintendent shall develop administrative regulations to implement this policy and to comply with state law.

# **REPORTS**

None.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

None.

# **END OF POLICY**

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 332.107 ORS 339.370 - 339.400 ORS 419B.005 - 419B.045

Senate Bill 155 (2019)

Every Student Succeeds Act, 20 U.S.C. § 7926 (2018).

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# January 13, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-20: 27** 

# **RESOLUTION: CONSENT AGENDA/PERSONNEL ACTION**

The Board of Directors, School District No. 52, Lane County, approves personnel action involving licensed employees and extra duty contracts at each regularly scheduled School Board meeting. If the Board of Directors would like to discuss any of these recommendations in executive session, the employee should be identified by the number preceding the name and it will be withdrawn pending further instruction from the Board. Remie Calalang is available for questions.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the School Board approve the Consent Agenda as reflected in this resolution and any addendum presented along with this resolution.

#	Name	Туре	Description
1.	Borneman, Sharie	Temporary Hire for 2019-20	Offer Temporary Contract for .5 FTE 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Facilitating Teacher @ Fairfield; Start Date: 12/12/2019.
2.	Davidson, Will	Additional Hours for 2019-20	Offer Temporary Contract for Additional .2 FTE School Counselor @ Danebo; Total: 1.0 FTE.
3.	Davis-Ferrin, Amanda	Hire for 2019-20	Offer Extra Duty Contract for Native Student Union Advisor @ Willamette.
4.	Hamar, Chelsea	Temporary Hire for 2019-20	Offer Temporary Contract for .5 FTE English Language Arts Teacher @ Willamette; Start Date: 1/31/2020.
5.	Hanson, Robin	Resignation/Retirement/Rehire	Accept resignation effective 12/31/2019 to enter retirement. Offer Temporary 1.0 FTE Contract from 1/1/2020 through the end of the 2019-20 school year; Position Held: 1st Grade Teacher @ Prairie Mountain; 28 years at Bethel.
6.	Hagerman, Bree	Temporary Hire for 2019-20	Offer Temporary Contract for 1.0 FTE School Counselor @ Willamette; Replaces: Alejandro Jimenez; Start Date: 1/7/2020.
7.	Naylor, Kim	Hire for 2019-20	Offer Extra Duty Contract for Gender Sexuality Alliance Advisor @ Willamette.
8.	Ray, Steven	Hire for 2019-20	Offer Extra Duty Contract for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester After- School Robotics Instructor @ Shasta.
9.	Sharp Abreu, Susana	Hire for 2019-20	Offer Extra Duty Contract for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester After- School CTE Culinary Instructor @ Cascade.
10.	Steiber, Paul	Hire for 2019-20	Offer Extra Duty Contract for Latinos Unidos Advisor  @ Willamette.
11.	Thomas, Takana	Hire for 2019-20	Offer Extra Duty Contract for Black Student Union Advisor @ Willamette.

Recommended by: Remie Calalang, Human Resources Director

ATTEST		_
	Clerk – Chris Parra	
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DATE		
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Chair – Paul Jorgense	n
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# January 13, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-20: 25** 

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Board of Directors, School District No. 52, Lane County, hereby makes the following appointments to the Budget Committee:

Position 6					3-ye	ear term	
P	osition 7				1-ye	ear term	
ATTEST							
	Clerk – Chris Pa	arra	Chair -	- Paul J	orgens	sen	
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			Greg Nelson				
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