

Meeting Called to Order at 5:45 pm by Chair Riley Holman. Recording started.

Members attending: Board members Riley Holman, Chris Irwin, Sarah Wadsack, Nicole Blanks; Superintendent Bill Crowson, and Secretary Tonya Casarez.

Chair Holman reviewed the agenda and asked for a vote to appoint the Zone 1 vacancy. Sarah Wadsack motioned to appoint Lalori Lager as Board Member in Zone 1. Second: Nicole Blanks. Motion carried 4/0. Lalori Lager signed the Oath of Office.

The meeting moved immediately to executive session as per ORS 192.660(2)(a) to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.

The meeting returned to open session at 6:05 P.M. In addition to those listed above, present at this time were staff members Richard Fielder, Beau Sisneros, and Jenna Rank, Hilary Irwin, Carrie Holman and members of the community.

Minutes: The minutes of the April 13, 2026 and April 22, 2026 meetings were reviewed. Sarah Wadsack motioned to approve the minutes. Second: Chris Irwin. Motion carried 5/0.

The following changes were added to the consent agenda:

Table until June meeting: Item D – 26-27 academic calendar.

Remove 8a – Old Business: Board Vacancy – Zone 1 is no longer necessary.

Bills and financials were reviewed. Bill Crowson presented a draft of proposed 26-27 academic calendar and discussed that ODE is still developing parameters to calculate instructional hours. He pointed out that this draft has little time in it for professional development and suggested tabling approval of the 26-27 academic calendar in order to consider further information from the state. Chris Irwin motioned to table the approval of the academic calendar for 26-27 until the June 15, 2026 meeting. Second: Nicole Blanks. Motion carried 5/0.

Letters of intent for classified employees were reviewed, along with the hiring of Carlos Vasquez as an Assistant Track Coach and Olivia Ferrario as Forest Camp Advisor. The Board also was informed that Susan Clark, High School Special Education Teacher would not be returning for the 26-27 year. Sarah Wadsack motioned to approve the consent agenda as amended. Second: Chris Irwin. Motion carried 5/0.

Communications: A donation to the CTE program from Jason Blakely was reviewed. The Board appreciates the support of our students with the donation of metal for welding.

Delegations and Presentations:

Meet the Teacher: Susan Clark shared what the Special Education program does and how it supports students. She also shared projected case loads for next year and presented some research on student reading levels and how it helps prepare strategies to best help students succeed. She also mentioned that her older students practiced their job-seeking skills and that Steve Martinson, the high school Educational Assistant does an excellent job at finding ways to support our students.

Construction Update: Bill Crowson reported that our vendors are still in the fact-finding stage. He will meet with them later in the week for an update.

Enrollment was reported at 343 students K-12.

Administrative Update:

Monroe Grade School – Principal Richard Fielder reported that 7th and 8th grade had a successful fieldtrip to OSU, that testing is ongoing and professional learning is continuing around reading. He also mentioned an upcoming history exhibit designed by students where they will be a living wax museum, citing historical figures.

Monroe High School - Principal Beau Sisneros reported that graduation is rapidly approaching, that testing happens next week and forecasting classes for 26-27 will be happening as well. He said he plans to access High School Success funds to give students exposure to careers. He reported a group of students recently went to Hatfield Marine Science Center to the OSU radiology lab for some hands-on learning and that on May 22nd, a volunteer group will be installing and updating flags across our schools and their representatives will give a presentation on the history and importance of the American Flag.

Old Business: The classified employee bargaining is ongoing.

New Business: Meeting reminders were discussed.

Public Comment: None.

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 P.M. Recording stopped.

Riley Holman, Board Chair

Tonya Casarez, Board Secretary