

**Oregon Virtual Academy
Board Meeting Minutes**

Date: 5-5-20
Note Taker: Megan Caldwell

Participants:

Voting Board Member: Barry Jahn, Myk Herndon, Paul Tannahill, Franklin Roberts, Tim Geoghegan,
ORVA Academic Team Members: Nicholaus Sutherland
K12 Regional Team: Julia Kozlov, Craig Chun-Hoon

Call to order @6:38 PM

[Meeting Recording](#)

<p>Agenda Item: Lori Sattenspiel, OSBA, Director, Legislative Services Dept.</p>	<p>II.A.</p>
<p>Discussion: Ms. Sattenspiel gives an introduction into her background for the board. Currently we are waiting to find out about revenues as they have been reduced. Every quarter the state provides economic revenue forecasts which helps policy makers with decisions. The march forecast looked much different, now we are expected to have 2-3 billion in losses. This will affect many agencies. The state has done a great job of putting money in the ending fund balance/rainy day fund. We have to figure out how to deliver services with significantly less resources. The governor has delivered to all agency heads that they need to start plans for cuts. 8.5% cut is to general fund agency budget, the state school fund comes from the general fund pot, then we get funds from lottery, marijuana, CAT tax, and other misc. the problem for schools is that 8.5% over the biennium and we are almost done with the first year, so it could look lik 17% for next year. The legislator appointed the joint committee on covid. That group came up with pages of thing we need to be doing from house, removing CAT tax, and made recommendations and gave their recommendations to leadership. President Trump signed on March 27th the education stability funds, for Oregon we are looking at 280 million and is distributed to 3 pots. The governor is looking at \$3.5 milliom, there is elementary and secondary school relief fund that the department of ED will distribute. Higher education has \$127 million. We are looking at how to better distribute Title I money because not everyone gets it. You do not have to spend Title I funding on those programs. It can be used for COVID pandemic. After the money is distributed then they call a special session and make different cuts based on the states priorities and we figure out how it is leveraged then the lobbying starts coming in. Asking districts to budget at \$9B and make a case for that and then use contingency budgets based on what we think might be happening.</p>	

<p>Agenda Item: Virtual Schools Project</p>	<p>II.B.</p>
<p>Discussion: Mr. Sutherland shares that we have gathered our authorizer presentation that was given to the North Bend School District, the academic performance review that was given to the Board, done a deep dive of drop out rates and credit deficiencies, and looked at demographics, and also looked at year over year performance data – statistics show that we are getting better at all of it.</p>	

We have all the pieces and we need to bring it all together and figure out how to put it on a two-page document for presentation.

Agenda Item: Board Plan and Board Calendar	II.C.
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Discussion:
Mr. Jahn shares that these are documents that have been talked about for years, and there is some great information in there.
Mr. Sutherland shares the [Board Plan document](#) and it takes anything that we know will happen and outlines it so we can keep track.

Agenda Item: ODE Plan for 8% revenue decrease for FY21	
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Discussion:
Mr. Herndon suggests leaving the salary schedule structure the way we discussed with .5% decrease in cost of living. If we need to change, we can. Class size leverage is there (redistribution of wealth) adjust class size in other areas of the school. We think its possible to do it at elementary level. I do not think we have to drive it down so far that anyone has to take a cut.
The message to staff needs to be done well, the budget put out to the public is done for political reasons and not real. Our commitment is to ensure all our contracted teachers come back.

Agenda Item: Summer time off	II.F
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Discussion:
Mr. Sutherland shares that we have pushed any discussion to the fall.
Would like to recommend that those who are on vacation accrual would work through the summer.
Want to make sure there is a summer work stipend in place. If we do have people that are willing and able to help this summer, we want to make sure they are compensated.
Will work with Craig to come up with an amount for that.

Agenda Item: Discuss proposal to change title of Special Programs Manager	II.G.
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Discussion:
Mr. Sutherland shares that there will be an action item for the board meeting to change the title for the Special Programs Manager to Academic Administrator-Special Programs.
This is a positive change and completely in line with the role she is already doing.

Agenda Item: Update on Sexual harassment Policy	II.F.
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Discussion:
Mr. Sutherland shares that this is in Matt's hands right now and working with AJG.
This most important thing is to fill out the application correctly and Megan and I have been working on doing this.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:34PM