

CUHS Board of Directors

Present: Mark Owens, Board Chair
William Dunten, Director
Dan Otley, Director
Mike Davis, Director
Russ Clark

Monthly Board Meeting

Also Present: Matt Hawley, Superintendent
Glennie Cargill, Board Secretary
Kaeko Blackburn, Business Manager

November 20, 2017**CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair Mark Owens called the September meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Crane Union High School Meeting Room.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**VISITORS/STAFF- N/A****Approve Minutes**

- Minutes from the September Board Meeting were presented. Dan Otley moved to approve the minutes, Russ Clark seconded. All approved.
- **Adopt the Agenda**
Mark Owens made a motion to approve the agenda. Mike Davis moved to approve the agenda, Russ Clark seconded. All approved.

Approve Bills

- Bills for September were presented for approval in the amount of \$82,785.32 they were also presented for October in the amount of \$33,439.62. Since there was not a board meeting in October we needed to get approval to pay the bills in that month. William Dunten moved to approve the bills as presented. Dan Otley seconded. All approved.

Items for Discussion

- Mindy Northrop was in attendance to present her retirement plan. She would like to retire this year in December, but continue to work as a retired employee next school year, at her current salary. By doing this she will save the district an estimated \$27,000 from her pers contribution. Mr. Hawley said although we have a current employee retired with full salary that is not usually the protocol for rehiring a retired employee. After much discussion the board ask if we could have some time to consult with the school attorney and see if we could make changes to her contract and write something up for a one-year contract. They want to make sure they are not setting a precedence. Mrs. Northrop said she could come back to the next board meeting.
- Mr. Hawley and Athletic Director Jamie Siegner have been working on the spring track schedule and are working to keep track meets to one per week and was discussed by the board last spring. At this time Mr. Hawley would like to know how the board feels about the track team missing the HDL track meet so they can attend the Baker City meet. The board felt that would be a good idea if that is what the coaches and athletic director want to do.
- Mr. Hawley gave the board an update on the current status of the Fiber Grant. The ESD and Mr. Hawley are still working out numbers and time lines and hope to have more to report in the next few months.
- Mr. Hawley asked the board if they were still interested in having the OSBA come out and do a board training at Crane. The original training had to be cancelled due to an emergency in the trainer's family. All board members feel it would be beneficial and would like to reschedule the training. Mr. Hawley would like to reschedule with Dayville/Monument or John Day. He is looking at February 1, 2019 from 1-4 pm.
- Mr. Hawley presented the board with some information put together by science teacher Connie Robbins. She would like to take the students on a STEM Discovery Tour in place of the Biology Trip. Students would have to raise money in order to go. The average cost of the trip would be around \$2,200 dollars

per students. Students would travel to California. This trip will take in more students than just the biology class. After some discussion the board would like to have more information on this trip. There is concern about the distance and the cost of this program. Board Chair Mark Owens would like Mrs. Robbins to continue to look for other educational opportunities that are not as expensive. The board will discuss this option at future board meetings.

- Welding teacher Roy Dowell and Superintendent Hawley have been having discussion about providing some community education opportunities. Mr. Dowell has been approached about possibly teaching some welding classes in the facility a couple of evenings a week. Mr. Hawley believes this would be a great way to build some community relationships and generate a little revenue. The board felt this would be a great idea as long as people joining the class signed a waiver releasing the school of any responsibility in case of an injury. The board wants to make sure the school is protected.
- An Athletic violation that occurred during a volleyball game in Jordan Valley was presented to the board. The varsity volleyball had to forfeit their win over Jordan Valley due to a player entering the game too many times. This violation dropped our team to second in league instead of going in first place. This was a coaching error and both coaches have talked with Athletic Director Jamie Siegner to make sure this doesn't happen again. We reported the violation to OSAA ourselves and will have to pay a fine. In the future Mr. Hawley and Jamie Siegner believe the coaches should pay the fine to OSAA instead of the school. The board agrees.
- Mr. Hawley presented the board with some numbers on what it will take to renovate the chapel into a wrestling facility. The district cost would possibly be about \$10,000.00. Mr. Hawley would like to see if he can find some grant money to help with that cost. Both the board and Mr. Hawley feel it's important to get the wrestling team moved so the multipurpose room can be used again by both schools when needed.
- Superintendent Hawley presented information about the upcoming change in the tobacco laws.

Superintendent – Principal Report

- Superintendent Hawley reported that in-service was Friday October 6th. Teachers worked on getting their goals finished and ready to turn into him. Mr. Hawley reported all of the teachers' goals are turned in and he will be meeting with the teachers to go over the goals. He is pleased with the goals and said the teachers did a really good job with them this year.
- Once again this year both schools held a Canned Food Drive during homecoming week. Finally, this year the Elementary students won the challenge and the high school student body will take donuts over to the elementary students. The schools brought in a total of 983 pounds of food for the Harney County Food Bank.
- Superintendent Hawley presented the updated sports schedules and told the board the Fall Sports Dessert will be held next month and he would like to thank everyone who helped during the fall season.
- Mrs. Northrop will head up Teen Court again this year. Mr. Hawley said the students seem to enjoy this program and they learn a lot about how the court system works.
- Mrs. Northrop took the juniors and seniors to Ontario to the College Fair. This is a very informative time for students trying to decide where they would like to go to college in the next two years.
- Superintendent Hawley informed the board that Connie Robbins was chosen as the Oregon Science Teacher of the year.
- During an assembly with both elementary and high school in attendance the Burns Paiute Pow Wow Dancer performed for our schools. Teaching our students about their culture. We have two students from our schools that were part of the group. The performance was well received by our students.
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Items for Action

- Superintendent Hawley presented Gary Miller to hire for the Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach and Jerry Holloway as the Assistant Wrestling Coach for the 2017-18 school year. William Dunten would like the motion to be split so members can vote on each coach separately. Board Chair Mark Owens moved to approve Gary Miller as the 2018-19 assistant boys' basketball coach. William Dunten moved

to approve hiring Gary Miller, Mike Davis seconded. All approved. William Dunten moved to hire Jerry Holloway as the 2017-18 assistant wrestling coach, Russ Clark seconded. All approved.

Financial Report

- Kaeko Blackburn presented print outs with the current budget. At this time there is currently \$666,314.73 dollars in the General Fund. There was discussion on moving the scholarships to Harney County Dollars for Scholars instead of having the funds show in our budget. Mr. Hawley said we had discussed that in the past but it had never been moved on. Kaeko and Mr. Hawley will look into that possibility and get back to the board.
- **Board Report**
- William Dunten asked if the Fall Coaching Jobs can be open up earlier for rehire so it give coaches and school time to work on things for the fall. Board member William Dunten feels like coaches should be required to reapply each year. Mark Owens said he would be opposed to making any coaching decisions without the recommendation of the Superintendent and Athletic Director.

Adjournment

With no further business, Board Chair Mark Owens adjourned the meeting at 7:27 pm

Mark Owens, Board Chair