

IMESD 2015-17 Board Goals

IMESD will advance Blue Mountain Early Learning Hub goals to ensure all students are ready for kindergarten and meeting 3rd grade reading proficiency.

IMESD will improve teacher and administrator quality to increase student achievement.

IMESD will implement Eastern Promise Pathways to Success.

IMESD will increase the capacity of services provided in the Local Service Plan

INTERMOUNTAIN EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

October 18, 2016

Regional Board Tour 7:30 AM

**Regular Board Meeting 4:30 PM – River Lodge Conference Room, Boardman
InterMountain ESD, Pendleton**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:39 PM by Board Chair, Kelly Bissinger.

Board Members:

Steve Muller
Joe McElligott
Dale Bingham
Verneda Wagner
Kathy Neal
Kelly Bissinger

Absent:

Merle Comfort

IMESD Staff:

Mark Mulvihill, Superintendent
Mary Apple, Assistant Superintendent
Beth O'Hanlon, Chief Financial Officer
Cheri Rhinhart, Director IT
Denyce Kelley, Director Business Services
Marla Royal, Board Secretary

Visitors:

Chris & Emma Demianew and daughters
Dirk Dirksen, Morrow Co. Superintendent

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Kelly Bissinger welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITION

Dyslexia Awareness Month – Chris and Emma Lee Demianew

Chris and Emma Lee Demianew gave a presentation on dyslexia, calling it a language-based learning difference that affects one in five children. They detailed signs and talked about how early detection can help. Dyslexia is neurological, and is about how the brain visualizes things and what it does with what it sees, which makes learning to read difficult. Chris said the treatment is educational, and they spoke about the Barton method of teaching people with dyslexia. The board thanked Chris and Emma Lee for their presentation.

ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of the September 21, 2016 Board Meeting
- B. Staff Development Report (September 2016)

BE IT RESOLVED, upon motion by Steve Muller, seconded by Joe McElligott, which carried unanimously, that the items listed above are hereby approved under the consent agenda.

Mary Apple noted there were a lot of good points in the dyslexia presentation. She said that reading used to be taught in only one method, and that teachers need more than one tool in their toolkit for teaching reading. Mary said that dyslexia is an auditory processing deficit.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

State Update

Mark Mulvihill reported that twelve superintendents met to plan for the results of Ballot Measure 97, which he called too close to call at this point. Superintendents decided they would begin to prepare for meeting the QEM (Quality Education Model), The corporate kicker would occur which would require districts to spend one-time money for the 16-17 fiscal year. Ideas included allocations for facilities, security upgrades, technology, professional development, and extending the school year for those who need it. Mark said that if Measure 97 passes, education will not be getting the 3 billion they originally thought. They will be competing heavily against other ballot measures and P-20 initiatives, along with costs for PERS, health insurance, and Early Learning. Mark said if 97 doesn't pass, the state education budget for the next biennium would likely fall somewhere between 8.0 and 8.4 billion.

OAESD Superintendent Retreat

Mark Mulvihill spoke about regional efforts, saying the state would like a regional, ESD point of contact for initiative scale-ups. OAESD envisions an ESD network in which a few would be identified as lead ESDs, who could sub-contract with smaller ESDs for P-20 initiatives.

On Wednesday, November 9th, Mark will travel with board members Verneda Wagner and Kathy Neal to Multnomah ESD to meet with the Washington ESD leadership from 1:00-5:00 PM that day. Mark and Verneda will leave Pendleton at 8:00 AM, and will pick up Kathy Neal in Boardman at 9:00 AM.

InterMountain On-Line

Mark noted the graphic in the packets. InterMountain On-Line will use "Canvas" as a content platform, and create a bank from which districts can create their own, on-line options. The hope is to have it set up in all districts by the end of December, with professional development on the program beginning in January. Mark said they are still in the process of developing their business model.

FISCAL OVERVIEW

Financial Summary and Cash Flow

Beth O'Hanlon presented the financial report for September, which is attached to these minutes. Beth reported that they had the exit interview for the IMESD audit last week, with two points of note; finalizing the Ready to Learn grant, and an employee's time and effort that was incorrect on the Carl Perkins grant.

IMESD Audit

Dale Bingham, Joe McElligott, and Verneda Wagner agreed to be on the IMESD Audit Committee this year.

OLD BUSINESS

2nd Reading IMESD Policies:

- BBAA – Individual Board Member’s Authority and Responsibilities
- BD/BDA – Board Meetings/Regular Board Meetings
- BFC – Adoption and Revision of Policies

BE IT RESOLVED, upon motion by Dale Bingham, seconded by Joe McElligott, which carried unanimously, that the IMESD policies listed above be adopted, as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business before the board.

The group recessed at 5:59 PM for dinner.

The meeting was called back to order at 6:14 PM.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

The group gave their impressions of the day, with everyone praising the collaborative work being done in Morrow County. Everyone noted how inspiring it was to be in schools and see teachers and students engaged. The board thanked Dirk Dirksen and the Ione School District for taking time with them on the board tour.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Meetings and Conferences

- OSBA Annual Conference – November 10-13, 2016 Downtown Marriott Portland, Oregon
- November Board Meeting – November 30, 2016

ADJOURN

There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Bissinger, Board Chair

Marla Royal, Board Secretary