

**Redmond School District
Special School Board Meeting
March 15, 2012**

In Attendance:, Vice-Chair Cathy Miller, Directors Ric Little, AJ Losoya, Bob Perry, Superintendent Shay Mikalson, RSD Staff; Mike McIntosh, Trish Huspek, Lynn Evans, association representative, Karen Gray; Media Ben Botkin (*Bend Bulletin*) Jim Erickson was unable to attend the meeting.

Board Vice-chair Cathy Miller called the meeting to order with a quorum of four at 5:15 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

2011-2012 School Calendar

Cathy Miller stated that in accordance with Boar policy three board members agreed to bring forward an action item regarding the 2011-2012 school year calendar.

Karen Gray stated that after the last board meeting her and Mike McIntosh spoke about the possibility of cutting three days from this school year to mitigate the budget shortfall anticipated for next year. She brought the concept back to her leadership team and it was decided to put forward a survey to their association members. There were over 270 responses and 81% voted to approve a three day cut to the current school year.

Mike McIntosh expressed his appreciation to Karen Gray for her leadership in getting us to this point.

Superintendent Mikalson stated that everyone is in agreement that our budget picture continues to be a struggle to get where we want to be. With all employee groups we want to provide the highest quality opportunities for our students. This is an opportunity to take advantage of savings this year to apply towards next year. With the early notification it allows parents, teachers and students to plan for the rest of the year.

Karen Gray reported that when she shared the information that was presented at the Board work session with her group the first thing they asked is if there anything we can do this year to help next year's budget.

Superintendent Mikalson stated this has definitely been a collaborative effort between all groups and he appreciates everyone for sitting down together to work on large problems collectively. It is refreshing.

Karen Gray concurred that the process has been refreshing.

The days that will be cut from the 2011-2012 calendar will be June 11-13. The students last day will be June 7th. The high school graduation will not be impacted.

AJ Losoya expressed his appreciation to everyone for their leadership. "Three days doesn't solve the problem but I appreciate everyone's sense of urgency."

AJ Losoya moved to cut June 11-13 from the 2011-2012 calendar. The last day for students will be June 7, 2012 with teacher preparation day on Friday, June 8, 2012. Motion carried 4-0

Votes: Ric Little-Yes; Bob Perry-Yes; Cathy Miller-Yes; AJ Losoya – Yes

ADJOURN

Ric Little made a motion and Bob Perry seconded the motion to adjourn at 5:35 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Cathy Miller, School Board Vice-Chair

Trish Huspek, Executive Assistant