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BOARD APPROVED 1/23/19

Redmond School District
Board Work Session
January 9, 2019

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Tim Carpenter, Vice Chair Shawn Hartfield, Directors Rick Bailey, Johnny Corbin, Travis Bennett.

WORK SESSION

Citizen Comment

Linda Brown is a retired teacher and now a substitute in RSD, would love to see music programs return to the elementary schools.

School Board Recognition Month

Superintendent McIntosh read the State of Oregon Proclamation signed by Governor Kate Brown proclaiming January School Board Recognition Month.

Bond Discussion

Jeremy Wright, Wright Public Affairs, conducted a survey after the election and asked, "Did you vote?" "Did you vote yes or no?" "Why did you vote yes or no?" The resounding answer as to why they voted no, was because of cost. When considering going back out May 2019 or Nov 2019, you must consider voter turnout is projected to be 22%. The opposition increases when modeling for a 22% turnout. The majority of no votes for the older community is due to the cost. If the same package was placed back on the ballot in May 2020, you will have more turnout, but a greater under vote. May or November 2019 would be incredibly challenging due to the very low voter turnout.

The Board discussed ideas and feedback such as handing out voter registration cards to parents, encouraging them to vote. The PAC had a difficult time engaging staff. Continue to get in front of people to explain the package and the priorities. Redmond is a growing community, but not necessarily growing with people who have school aged kids. May 2020 will give the District more time to get in front of people. It is not recommended to lower the package amount. Jeremy Wright suggested reengaging in the listening process, you have to assume everyone has forgotten and get buy in, the board needs to engage, develop a communications plan, engage those people who were not engaged. Superintendent McIntosh stated the District will tentatively plan on putting the bond on the May 2020 ballot.

Superintendent Evaluation

The Board members received the OSBA's Superintendent Evaluation Tool electronically. The Board will discuss the evaluation at the March 20, 2019 Board meeting in executive session. The Board agreed to skip the additional step of meeting to discuss the evaluation, it will all be done on March 20.

Legislative Forum

HDESD Superintendent Paul Andrews has announced the January 17, 2019 Legislative Forum has been canceled. He would like to seek opinions on whether to reschedule, not reschedule, or talk to Cheri Helt. The Board expressed they would like to see it rescheduled, if that is not possible, meeting with Cheri Helt would be the second choice.

Tim Carpenter, Board of Directors, Chair

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Gina Blanchette, Executive Assistant