

AMITY SCHOOL DISTRICT 4J
807 S TRADE ST.
AMITY, OR 97101
WEDNESDAY, May 14, 2025
REGULAR BOARD MEETING 6:30 PM
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MINUTES

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Amity School District is:

Provide an educational system that enables each of our community's students to reach their greatest potential for the lifelong benefit of each student and the betterment of our community and our country.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Tim Haarsma, Board Chair
Jennifer Leppin, Vice Chair
Ray Bottenberg
Amanda Grove
Ryan Jones

Administrators Present:

Jeff Clark, Superintendent
Mary Matocha, Middle School Principal
Jessica Rojas, Elementary School Principal
Ryan Sticka, High School Principal

District Staff Present and others:

Ann Adams, Board Secretary; Kevin Blanco, Sped Director

II. Hearing of the People

None

III. Reports

A. Administrator Reports - copies on file

-Principal Matocha discussed the final Friday Focus update, the Spring Conference attendance, and the retirement of Linda Johnson.

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- Principal Rojas reviewed state testing, Spring Conference attendance, summer tutoring, Kindergarten "Round-Up" (32 signed currently), and the school carnival.
- Principal Sticka discussed the 100th Mayday event, AP Exams and State testing, upcoming Senior Speeches May 16th, and Summer School.

B. CTE (copy on file)

- The annual FFA Plant Sale was a success with hanging baskets sold out on the second day.
- FFA competed in a Career Development event at OSU May 5th and 6th learning about different aspects of the agriculture industry.
- Manufacturing cabinetry classes successfully completed the auction projects for the AEF banquet.
- Woodturning is learning how fungal decay and fungal pigment decorate their finished works.
- Construction Trades received three 8'x12' cottage kits to build before school ends and anticipates completion by June 2nd.
- Baker Technical Institute is scheduled to will be here for heavy equipment training June 2nd -23rd. Students will spend two weeks in simulator training and flagger certification.
- John Stearns will be attending the Train the Trainer with the hope of starting a Heavy Truck Driving class in 2026.
- Savannah Stanton will be building the wood seating for the new circular sitting areas near the new Middle School.

C. Maintenance Report

- NW Natural Gas was here for a leak that was discovered while preparing for the HVAC controlling upgrades. The leaking valves will be replaced over the summer.

D. Financial Report - copies on file

- The financial reports were reviewed in addition to adding the grant summary of federal and state grants.

E. Superintendent Report

Staffing openings: Rhonda Nelson is retiring, Special Ed teacher opening, and two instructional assistants needed.

We had a track pre-conference meeting to review plan of repair, discussion included:

- Fixing the javelin runway with the challenge being that the pole vault and javelin are so close together that they have to stagger throws.
- Having the ability to run two high jump pits at the same time during events.
- Repairing the old drain tiles.

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-Reviewing added field possibilities for Middle School soccer; Jeff is working with the water department regarding active wells and water situation.

IV. Business

A. Old Business

1. None

B. New Business

1. Educator Evaluation Program

Mary reviewed proposed changes or corrections to align the goals with ODE guidance, update the rubric, and the evaluation guide. Joel Magill (representing the teachers' union) also reviewed the updates and has no concerns. There was a **motion** by Amanda Grove to approve the proposed updates to the Educator Evaluation Program, **second** by Jennifer Leppin. The **vote** was unanimous.

2. Elementary School Covered Area

We have three quotes: Bryce Roberts (\$341,100); Haworth (\$337,979); and Rich Parr (\$350,000). This is bond funding. There was a **motion** by Ray Bottenberg to accept the Haworth quote contingent on confirmation the slab is 6" deep, **second** by Ryan Jones. The **vote** was unanimous.

3. Softball/Baseball Infield Quotes

After discussion regarding the product, this was tabled.

V. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes from March 12, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.

B. New Hire

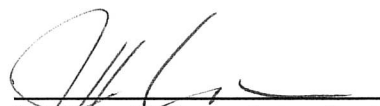
-Kari Sanders, ES Counselor
-Arnau Rosello Serrano
-Amy Cantrell (1/3 share with Perrydale)

Motion by Ray Bottenberg to approve the consent agenda, **second** by Amanda Grove. The **vote** was unanimous.

VI. Adjourn

Tim Haarsma adjourned the regular board meeting at 7:57 p.m.


Tim Haarsma, Board Chair


Jeff Clark, Superintendent