

SWEET HOME SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 55

Sweet Home, Oregon

Board Vice Chairman Dale Keene called the **Regular meeting** of the board of Directors of Sweet Home School District No. 55 to order at 6:30 p.m. October 13, 2025.

Board Members in Attendance

Mike Adams, Dale Keene, Amanda Carter, Rachel Maynard, Mary Speck (ZOOM), Dustin Nichol, Chris Hiaasen, Jenna Northern: Absent: Mary Speck Ab after Executive Session

Staff Members in Attendance

Superintendent: Terry Martin; Administrators/Supervisors: Kevin Strong, Josh Darwood, Brian Brands, Barbi Riggs, Darel Bidwell, Ralph Brown, Mark Looney, Josh Dargis, Todd Barret, Shelley Nurre, Nate Tyler Certified: Steve Thorpe; Classified: Michelle Bidwell; Board Recording Secretary: Julie Emmert

Other Attendance: Scott Swanson, New Era, Robert Webster, Lisa Gourley, Jim Gourley, ESPY parents and Grandparents, Gary Jarvis

1. Called the meeting to order/pledge -ESPY Students led pledge
2. ESPY Awards- This award is given to students who are doing well academically and have an exceptionally positive attitude about school. They demonstrate respect and responsibility towards staff and their peers. They show courage by not conforming to Peer pressure and refuse to accept anyone who bullies. The School Board and the District want to recognize these students by celebrating their success at the beginning of each Board Meeting. Students received a Certificate, met each of our Board members and their names were announced on the web.
3. Board Election #4- Cascadia
Candidate Robert Webster

Motion No. 25-71: Board Member Dale Keene moved to appoint Robert Webster as Board position #4 Cascadia. Board Member Jenna Northern seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck - yes
Dustin Nichol -yes
Robert Webster- yes

4. Swore in new board member Robert Webster - ORS332.005 BBBB
5. Public Comment- Gary Jarvis, Sweet Home- Regarding things that happened at the last board meeting. Shared information from his experience on boards. Shared concerns that have happened in past meetings. Board members called out an audience member, Board should continue to re-familiarize themselves with board rules as well as Roberts's rules; board election.
6. Agenda approval/changes
Chairman called for changes and/or approval of the agenda

Motion No. 25-72: Board Member Jenna Northern moved to approve the agenda as amended. Board Member Dale Keene seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck - yes
Dustin Nichol -yes
Robert Webster- yes

7. Student & Personnel Reports/Comments

A. Certified & Classified Representatives- Steve Thorpe -Opened up with things that are happening in the schools. Our first, their last for the kinder students and the High School Seniors. Discussed the flag policy. He would like to see these kinds of policies come through the teachers.

B. Student Report- Cannon Klump gave a report on High School events. Homecoming events. The leadership class went to other districts to see what they do during homecoming. Had a blood drive- 52 units.

C. Superintendent's Report

1. Enrollment/Attendance Update- Superintendent Martin shared enrollment and attendance report- Holley was our winner of the month and will receive a breakfast served by the
2. Strategic Plan Update

Motion No. 25-73: Board Member Rachel Maynard moved to adopt the Strategic Plan for 2025–2030. Board Member Jenna Northern seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Robert Webster- yes
Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck - yes
Dustin Nichol -yes

3. Superintendent Goals

Motion No. 25-74: Board Member Jenna Northern moved to adopt the Superintendent's draft goals for 2025–2026. Board Member Rachel Maynard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Robert Webster- yes
Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck - yes
Dustin Nichol -yes

4. Policy INDB - Flag Displays and Salutes - Superintendent Martin gave information on the feedback from OBSA and Legal. If we change the wording it impacts us financially. Our schools are already honoring our flag. Jenna Northern agreed.

Motion No. 25-75: Board Member Mary Speck made a motion to move policy INDB- Flag Display to a first reading. No Second seconded the motion. The motion dies

Motion No. 25-76: Board Member Dale Keene made a motion to make no changes to policy INDB. Board Member Jenna Northern seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-1.

Robert Webster- yes
Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck - no
Dustin Nichol -yes

8. Consent Agenda

- A. Approved minutes from the September 8, 2025 School Board Meeting/September Work Session, September 29 2025 Special Board Meeting
- B. Approved Out-of-State Field trip for the High School Cheerleading team to Anaheim CA, February 18 - 25, 2026
- C. Approved Out-of-State Field trip For SHY Conference for TRIO Students in Orlando, FL 11/5/2025

Motion No. 25-77: Board Member Jenna Northern moved to approve the consent agenda. Board Member Dale Keene seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Robert Webster- yes
Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck - yes
Dustin Nichol -yes

9. Information/Discussion

- A. Budget Update- Kevin Strong gave a budget report
- B. Staff updates on policies GBN/JBA and AR, JBA/GBN and AR
- C. High School Health Curriculum - Opt-Out Form- Barbi Riggs reported that there is only one option for High School and we will be taking action on this
- D. Division 22 - incompliance in all categories - will be approving this
- E. Personal Electronic Device Policy- Superintendent Martin gave information on the new personal device policy that we will be adopting. Our phone system is not currently working and we are hoping to purchase a new system.

Motion No. 25-78: Board Member Dale Keene made a motion to move policy JFCEB to action item. Board Member Dale Keene seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Motion No. 25-79: Board Member Dale Keene made a motion to move policy JFCEB to action item as a first reading. Board Member Jenna Northern seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Dale Keene made a motion to move policy JFCEB as an action time. No second the motion dies

Robert Webster- yes
Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck - yes
Dustin Nichol -yes

10. Executive Session ORS 192.660(2)(b)

Break - 5 minute 8:02pm

Moved to Executive session at 8:07pm

Returned to regular session at 9:19

Motion No. 25-80: Board Member Dale Keene moved to place Board Decision of Public Complaint to the action item. Board Member Jenna Northern seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

Robert Webster- yes
Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck - AB
Dustin Nichol -yes

11. Action Items

A. Adopt High School Health Curriculum

Motion No. 25-81: Board Member Jenna Northern moved to adopt the High School Health Curriculum. Board Member Dale Keene seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 1 AB

Robert Webster- yes
Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck -AB
Dustin Nichol -yes

B. Approve Division 22 - District Assurance of Compliance

Motion No. 25-82: Board Member Dale Keene moved to approve the Division 22 as presented. Board Member Rachel Maynard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 1 AB

Robert Webster- yes
Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck - AB
Dustin Nichol -yes

C. Approve Replacement of District Phone System

Motion No. 25-83: Board Member Dale Keene moved to approve the replacement of the District phone system. Board Member Jenna Northern seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 1 AB

Robert Webster- yes
Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck -AB
Dustin Nichol -yes

Motion No. 25-84: Board Member Dale Keene moved to approve Personal Electronic Device Policy JFCEB . Board Member Rachel Maynard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 1 AB

E. Board Decision on Public Complaint

Motion No. 25-85: Board Member Jenna Northern moved to affirm Decision of the superintendent. Board Member Rachel Maynard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 1 AB

Robert Webster- yes
Chris Hiaasen -yes
Rachel Maynard- yes
Amanda Carter- yes
Jenna Northern- yes
Mike Adams- yes
Dale Keene - yes
Mary Speck - AB
Dustin Nichol -yes

12. Board Comment- NONE

13. Late Items

14. Future Agenda Items

A. Conferences - October 22-24, 2025

- B. Next Board Officers Meeting, Monday, November 3, 2025 at 3:30 p.m. Superintendent's Office
- C. OSBA Conference in Portland, November 6 -8, 2025
- D. Next Board Meeting Monday, November 10, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in DO Boardroom
- E. November 11, 2025 - No School- Veterans Day
- F. November 26-28, 2025- Thanksgiving Break

15. Adjournment at 9:34pm

Signature, Board Chairman

Julie Emmert, Board Recording Secretary (This meeting was also recorded and saved supt/board/audio)