1.0 CALL TO ORDER – John Oldham called to order 7:01 p.m.
   The regular meeting of the Pleasant Hill School Board was called to order by John Oldham at 7:01 p.m. Other board members in attendance were Vice Chair Kevin Parrish, Curt Offenbacher and Wylde Cafferata. Others in attendance were Tony Scorzo, Superintendent; Caroline Passerotti, Business Manager; Randy Fisher, High School Principal; Thad Holub, High School Assistant Principal; Devery Stoneberg, Elementary Principal; and Clarrissa Anderson, Substitute Board Secretary.
   
   Board Chair John Oldham read the Mission Statement aloud.

2.0 INTRODUCTION OF AUDIENCE
   Bruce Patterson, Maintenance Lead; Rick Rainone with Cornerstone; Larry Sullivan, Lane ESD Superintendent; Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Lane ESD Board of Directors; Jim Robertson, Robertson-Sherwood Architects; Jason Jervis, community member; Joey Lamons, student; Cyndi Quirk, PHES 5th Grade Teacher; Kelli Martin, PHHS Math Teacher; Sierra Martin, student; Brandi Watne, PHHS Spanish Teacher; Paul Johnson, community member; Sierra Johnson, student; Leanna Johnson, community member; Michelle Allen, community member; Blake Allen, student; Hunter Allen, student; Darlene Baker, community member; Dana Parrish, community member, Dave Guadagni, Robert-Sherwood Architects, Diane Shiner, Mahlum Architects; Kathy Faber, community member; Rick Faber, community member; Brian Erickson, community member; were also in attendance.

3.0 ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA
   There were no changes to the agenda.

4.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   There were no changes to the September 29, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes. Minutes were approved by consensus.

5.0 REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS

   5.1 Presentations
   PHHS Assistant Principal, Thad Holub presented Sierra Johnson as High School Student of the month. Sierra is involved in many clubs as well as being the PHHS
Student Body President. Mr. Holub also presented Joey Lamons as Most Improved Student of the Month.

Mrs. Stoneberg presented the Allen Family with the volunteers of the month award, citing that normally the award is presented to one person, but in this case Mark, Michelle, Blake and Hunter are all worthy of recognition for their efforts around the district and especially all their hard work orchestrating the jog-a-thon, PHES’s biggest fundraiser.

5.2 Lane ESD Presentation
Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Lane ESD Board of Directors encouraged the District’s board members to attend the OSBA regional conference. Mr. Scurto, Wylda Cafferata, and Curt Offenbacher are attending. Wylda thanked Sherry for her email communication.

Dr. Larry Sullivan, Lane ESD Superintendent, presented the board with a three-year local service plan and explained how it provided a new level of stability to the ESD. Dr. Sullivan noted that though it will still need to be reviewed every year it is a positive step forward and can be a useful tool for districts in their planning and forecasting processes. Dr. Sullivan noted the highlighted areas of the district’s 2014-15 service order that reflect changes from services requested in 2013-14. Dr. Sullivan also briefly discussed House Bill 3401, which permits districts to withdraw funds from the ESD. He said many districts are not withdrawing funds, none more than 50% even though 75% is allowable.

Upon review of the service order statement for 2013-14 and 2014-15, Curt Offenbacher questioned whether the district had previously had a speech pathologist. Mr. Scurto explained last year the district had a ½ time pathologist with a ½ time assistant, this year the funds were put to better use by hiring a full time pathologist. Kevin Parrish questioned the expenditure in the Life Skills Placement category. Assistant Principal Thad Holub explained the district adjusts spending in that category based on transitions into or out of the district. Caroline Passerotti added that the district has excess capacity under its federal IDEA grant, so the additional Special Education costs should be covered completely.

5.3 Proposed Expansion of Springfield Enterprise Zone
Mr. Scurto presented a letter from the City of Springfield announcing a potential expansion of their Enterprise Zone. Caroline Passerotti stated it was unlikely to have a significant impact on the district because of the formula used for school funding.

5.4 Facility Planning Presentation—Robertson-Sherwood/Mahlum Architects
Rick Rainone with Cornerstone submitted the budget to the board for review and noted they have kicked off the design phase and would like to bid work starting in April. At this time Cornerstone has not completed the study regarding temporary classrooms, they were waiting for a design to be approved to see if temporary classrooms would be needed at all. If there were zero temporary classrooms, construction would need to be done in phases and could take as long as three years. If temporary classrooms are needed they will work with Modern Building to see if there will be any available to lease. Mr. Rainone recommended classrooms with additional space need to be considered as alternate designs to keep costs within budget.

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Diane Shiner with Mahlum Architects provided a brief recap of the October 8th community meeting and conceptual designs. Dave Guadagni with Robertson-Sherwood Architects (RSA) presented conceptual plans for the work at both the elementary and the high schools. Addressing the need to make improvements to traffic patterns, he noted that while they cannot alleviate the bottleneck at the Hwy 58 access point, removing the bus traffic would improve the amount and flow of traffic. Their proposal includes rerouting the buses to drop off behind the elementary gyms, using an existing maintenance road. At the elementary there will also be minor modifications to the media room and the addition of four new rooms: two lower and two upper and an expanded multi-use area. The kitchen will get a light remodel, moving staging area to allow more space for kids waiting in the lunch line. The bathrooms in cafeteria/multi-purpose (MP) room will be updated to make them ADA accessible. An alternate plan includes light remodel of the library to allow for more stack space and covered access to the main building.

At the high school, the middle school and high school wings will be replaced. There will be an expansion of P.E. area, adding an auxiliary gym with a capacity of 230 people, its own restrooms and additional storage space that would be attached to the current gym with a hallway type entrance. The restrooms and locker rooms in the current gym will be updated to improve ventilation, heating and ADA access. Mr. Guadagni noted that 25% of the construction fund has to be spent on ADA accessibility; lowering the stage to 18 inches and including a ramp in the MP room will qualify under this portion of the remodel. The updated MP room will also have a kitchen area. More minor improvements at the high school include providing an additional ramp to the courtyard and adding additional gates and doorways for safety as well as rearranging the current administration space to allow for visibility into the parking lot and main entrance points. Relocating event parking behind the current gym with a gravel and possibly lit area for overflow could compensate for parking lost to the auxiliary gym. The target date to move into both schools is September 2016.

Kevin Parrish asked about placement of temporary classrooms and the timeline to get them in place. Mr. Guadagni replied one approach may be to use the gravel area proposed for event parking to take advantage of the prep work that would go into setting them up and could be used in the future for the parking area as site prep. He also noted most portables have air conditioning and some have windows, they’re not as terrible a learning environment as some may think. He reminded the board that the cost for portables is outside the budget of the building phase. Mr. Rainone suggested leaving the portables on the asphalt and move the parking to the lot in the east as there is less cost to just set them on the asphalt without having to build ramp systems.

Kevin Parrish stated he would like to see the schedule of time required and cost of modular for the “donut plan,” including both temporary and permanent work. He would also like to see an alternate option showing the same design built with the alternate classrooms over two years, keeping the south wing as it goes, as well as a third option moving the design (including the administration building) to the north into the parking lot then demolishing the south wing.

Curt Offenbacher cautioned that extending construction extends cost by prolonging the contractor’s costs to do the same amount of work. Mr. Offenbacher also agreed with Mr. Oldham that the administration building has been an anchor in choosing the
conceptual design. He also stated that the district has a $2.2 million contingency that can be used to offset additional costs and said he would like for it to be used in the best way possible.

Mr. Rainone stated that the temporary classrooms would be funded from a different area of the budget. Mr. Scurto indicated that the budget included $200,000 for temporary classrooms.

John Oldham voiced concern that the high school design include sufficient separation between the middle school and high school students. He also noted that modular classrooms are not equipped as science classrooms and asked whether moving the administration building to keep the science classrooms and protect the south wing was a possibility. Mr. Oldham was also concerned about future expansion. He wants to make sure the design is capable of accommodating additional wings, not just one or two classrooms. He asked if the expansion plan for the elementary school was ever documented. Bruce Patterson replied that although the building was built with the idea that it would one day need to be expanded, we did not have drawings of expansion plans and the current locations of the utilities limited expansion options.

Mr. Scurto stated he would also like the design to clarify the separation of junior high and high school grades.

Mr. Fisher asked if the new building could be moved to the north approximately 90 feet in order to keep the science classrooms for now and save some on the cost of modular in the process. Currently the south wing holds five classrooms, three of which are science classrooms. He questioned whether using this wing could alleviate some burden on the budget for temporary classrooms and allow the two extra classrooms in the alternate design to be built.

Rick Fabere thanked the members of the design committee for all their hard work. He stated his concern about whether there was an avenue for change with the conceptual design. He observed from a public perspective the “donut plan” has momentum but expressed his concern about the adequacy of separation between the junior high and high school spaces. He too wondered could the science rooms be placed at the end of the wings to create more of a separation of space. He stated the value for him was in classroom space, and if there was a way to prioritize that he would like to see that come ahead of some of the other things on the list. Mr. Fisher reiterated emphasis on classrooms since the 6th grade class will be moving over into the new building. Dana Parrish agreed the need is classrooms more than anything on campus. She believed moving the administration building was sacrificed to free up money for additional classrooms without sacrificing the remaining buildings and leaving them out on an island. Darlene Baker explained that the committees were tasked with choosing conceptual plans, not final designs, and they were told the plans could and would change as the process went along. She also asked that cost for the elementary be included in the figures brought back for the October 27, 2014 meeting, stating we need to make sure there is money for that in the long run even though the design is well received. Wylde Cafferata reiterated Darlene’s point, stating that sitting on the design committee they were focused on following what work was described in the bond; moving the administration building was not described in the bond.
6.0 PUBLIC FORUM –
There were no comments from the public.

7.1 CONSENT AGENDA
7.1 Personnel

7.101 Approve Retirement Request from Jeannie Miller, Title 1 Reading Teacher, effective December 1, 2014 and rehire as retiree for remainder of 2014-15 School Year.

Curt Offenbacher moved to approve the Consent Agenda item 7.101. Kevin Parrish seconded the motion. Wylda Cafferata reluctantly agreed; noting Jeannie was a great teacher who has done wonderful things for our district. The motion passed unanimously.

8.0 BOARD ACTION ITEMS
8.1 New Business

8.101 Approve resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds; designating an authorized representative, bond counsel, underwriter, paying agent and bond registrar; authorizing execution of a bond purchase agreement; and designating a successor paying agent for the District’s 2012 bonds. (Exhibit 1415-28)

Kevin moved to approve the resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of general obligation bond; designating an authorized representative, bond counsel, underwriter, paying agent and bond registrar, authorizing execution of a bond purchase agreement, and designating a successor paying agent for the District’s 2012 bonds. Wylda Cafferata seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8.102 Direction to Proceed with Facility Plans/Architect Fee Proposal Phase II

The board gave approval by consensus to allow Curt Offenbacher, Tony Scurto and Rick Rainone to negotiate Phase II during the next two weeks while Phase I is wrapping up, prior to approval being made.

8.2 Old Business
8.201 Achievement Compact 2014-15 (Exhibit 1415-29)

Kevin Parrish moved to affirm the targets on the achievement compact as written. Wylda Cafferata seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

9.0 REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS (Part 2)
9.1 Superintendent’s Report

Mr. Scurto reported that the state report cards had been received, and Pleasant Hill scored 4 out of 5 in most areas. He suggested the board look further at the break down and how they are scored at a future work session. Kevin Parrish remarked he would like to see comparative scores from schools that are similar to ours and mentioned he was surprised to see the elementary was below passing.

9.2 Principal Reports

Principal Stoneberg gave updates on current events at PHES. Their biggest fundraisers, the jog-a-thon happened October 3rd and the donations are coming in. This year’s goal is $25,000. If this goal is met Mrs. Stoneberg, along with some staff, will kiss the goat. On the recent in-service, October 10th, all staff attended ELA training. The Reach Out

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Match Program (R.O.M.P.) started recently. Suzie Rexius is coordinating nine mentoring relationships between high school and kindergarten kids. Elementary report cards will be changing this year to reflect the standards based grading system. Mrs. Stoneberg invited the board to stop by and read with a student.

Principal Fisher advised that they did not have a response for a Math teacher that met district standards, so as an alternative, they are using a student teacher from the University of Oregon who came highly recommended. He indicated this is working well. Mr. Fisher was excited to announce a first ever attempt for testing. On October 15th high school students will take one of the following tests: ASVAB, Work Keys or PSATS. Mrs. Brelsford is diligently working on Senior advisory. The Site Council is working on how to best use early release Wednesdays. Mr. Fisher expressed thanks to Pleasant Hill Education Foundation and Boosters for a wonderful alumni weekend.

Upcoming Dates:
October 13-17 Spirit Week
October 17, 2014 Homecoming Football Game
October 18, 2014 Homecoming Dance

10.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS
The Superintendent stated the next Board Meetings are scheduled for October 27, 2014, and November 17, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. They will be held at the Pleasant Hill Community Center.

11.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS/OTHER
11.1 OSBA Regional Workshop
Mr. Scurto reminded the board of the OSBA Regional Workshop on October 22, 2014 at 5:30 p.m., at Lane ESD.

11.2 2014 OSBA Annual Convention
Mr. Scurto also reminded the board of the OSBA Annual Convention coming up November 13-16, 2014. Board members are encouraged to attend, and those that wish to do so should contact Mrs. Johnson.

12.0 RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION – Labor Negotiations, ORS 192.660 (2) – 9:24 p.m.

13.0 RETURN to Public Session 9:45 p.m.

14.0 ADJOURNMENT 9:45 p.m.

Signed: __________, this 27th day of Oct., 2014.
John Oldham, Board Chair

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