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## Rogue River School District 35

### Minutes

#### RRSD Regular Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Tuesday May 19, 2026 at 6:00 PM

**Location**

Rogue River School District - District Office

1898 E Evans Creek Road

Rogue River, OR 97537

Directions available [HERE](#)

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The Board met in executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(a) - to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual agent, ORS 192.660(2)(d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.

Representatives of the news media and designated staff shall be allowed to attend the executive session. All other members of the audience are asked to leave the room.

Representatives of the news media are specifically directed not to report on or otherwise disclose any of the deliberations or anything said about these subjects during the executive session. The information discussed is confidential.

Pursuant to ORS 192.660(4), representatives of the news media may attend this executive session; however, the Board may require that information discussed in executive session remain confidential and no final action will be taken.

The open meeting began at 6:21 p.m., immediately following the executive session

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### **Directors Present**

B. Sund, H. Friend, M. Jacob

### **Directors Absent**

E. Poston, J. Chick

### **Guests Present**

A. James (remote), April Harrison, D.Ed., B. Mortenson, C. Schloegl, D. Sweeney, J. Parks, P. Lee, T. Kirkpatrick, W. Bogard

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Record Attendance**

### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

H. Friend called a meeting of the board of directors of Rogue River School District 35 to order on Tuesday May 19, 2026 at 6:21 PM.

H. Friend lead in the flag salute.

## **II. Opening Items**

## **III. Action from Executive Session**

### **A. Hire - Jr. High Social Studies Teacher - 2026-2027**

B. Sund made a motion to approve the hire of Blake Dowell as the Jr. High Social Studies teacher for the 2026-2027 school year, as presented.

M. Jacob seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **B. RREA MOA - Jr. High Graded Class Periods**

M. Jacob made a motion to approve the RREA MOA - Jr. High Graded Class Periods, as presented.

B. Sund seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **IV. Consent Agenda**

### **A. Approve Reports**

B. Sund made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Items A , B and C, as presented.

M. Jacob seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**B. Approve Minutes - April 21, 2026 Regular Board Meeting**

B. Sund made a motion to approve the minutes from RRSD35 Regular Board Meeting on 04-21-26.

M. Jacob seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**C. Approve Minutes - May 06, 2026 Budget Committee Meeting**

B. Sund made a motion to approve the minutes from RRSD35 May 06, 2026 Budget Committee Meeting, as presented.

M. Jacob seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**V. AGENDA ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**A. Superintendent Report**

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Superintendent Patrick Lee reported that the annual Superintendent's Luncheon honoring the District's top academic students will be held at 12:25 p.m. Board members were invited to attend.

Mr. Lee announced that the District was awarded a competitive three-year grant to support a robust summer school program. He expressed appreciation to M. Cleveland, J. Parks, and the administrative team for their work in securing the grant.

Mr. Lee further reported that Sarah Wicks has been appointed as the Summer School Program Director for the upcoming summer session.

**B. RRJSHS Report**

T. Kirkpatrick reported that senior presentations have concluded, and all graduating seniors successfully met the presentation requirement.

An update was provided on the FFA program, noting that a third team has qualified for national competition. If all teams attend, a total of 18 students will represent the District, marking a first for the program.

The Board was informed of the following upcoming events:

- FFA Banquet and Awards Ceremony – May 20
- Rogue River High School Graduation – June 6
- Eighth Grade Promotion Ceremony – June 9

- School Carnival – June 10

### **C. RRES Report**

A. James, who participated via Zoom, provided updates on state testing, student activities, and upcoming events.

A. James reported that the school's Bubble Run fundraiser raised more than \$12,000. Incentive awards included a limousine ride and lunch for top participants, with recognition extended to all students who contributed. Appreciation was expressed to La Quacamaya for donating the limousine.

An update was provided on the school's self-management program. Due to the large number of qualifying students, the traditional field trip was transformed into a carnival-style event held on the West Campus.

A. James also shared that Outdoor School is scheduled for June 2–4, with SVA students participating, and noted that Field Day and the Sixth Grade Promotion Ceremony are upcoming. Board members were invited to attend these events.

### **D. SVA Report**

J. Parks highlighted recent student activities, including an all-school tea party dance and participation in Careers and Gears, which provided students with opportunities to explore post-secondary career pathways.

J. Parks recognized staff celebrations, including Administrative Professionals Day and Staff Appreciation Week, and expressed appreciation for the contributions of SVA and District Office staff.

An update was provided on student engagement initiatives, including the successful launch of a grant-funded cooking club. The Board also received information on the upcoming production of *Alice in Wonderland*, noting increased student involvement in drama and theater.

J. Parks reported on academic progress, including the implementation of assessments and the development of shared academic goals. She also discussed a recent professional development day focused on SVA's unique educational model and shared insights gained from attending an Artificial Intelligence Summit in Portland regarding the evolving role of AI in education.

Upcoming events include the SVA Graduation on June 5 and the Eighth Grade Celebration on June 9.

### **E. Special Programs Report**

The Board received the Special Programs Report. In the absence of Michele, Superintendent Patrick Lee provided a brief update on Special Programs activities.

#### **F. REACH Report**

W. Bogard shared that students are currently meeting with Early College advisors and exploring post-secondary opportunities, with approximately 40 students planning to attend college next year.

W. Bogard reported a 90 percent participation rate in state assessments, noting that this achievement is especially significant given the unique structure of the REACH program and the challenges associated with testing participation.

The Board was informed that the REACH end-of-year Field Games event will be held at Evans Valley on June 4. W. Bogard also reported continued strong enrollment interest, with a high number of applications being received across all grade levels.

#### **G. RREA - Union Representative to the Board**

K. Gibson presented the RREA report to the Board. She reported increased member participation for the 2026–2027 school year and shared that RREA intends to have a representative attend each regular Board meeting. K. Gibson also encouraged Board members to communicate with union leadership regarding matters they would like the association to consider.

K. Gibson conveyed appreciation from the RRJSHS staff for the work of T. Kirkpatrick and E. Figueroa-Wolfe and shared congratulations from the RREA Executive Council to Board members celebrating the addition of a great-grandchild and the graduation of a child.

In response to a Board inquiry regarding union contacts, K. Gibson indicated that J. Fricke and K. Gibson are expected to serve as co-presidents for the upcoming year and would be the appropriate points of contact for the Board.

#### **H. RRACE - Union Representative to the Board**

### **VI. Reports**

#### **A. Board Reports**

Board Member B. Sund reported on the successful completion of the RRJSHS senior presentations and commended the accomplishments of the graduating class.

Board Members H. Friend and B. Sund shared that they would participate in the high school graduation ceremony by presenting diplomas.

## **VII. Business / Fiscal Services**

### **A. Monthly Financial Update**

D. Sweeney provided the monthly financial update and reported that there have been no significant changes since the Budget Committee meeting.

## **VIII. Board/Administration**

### **A. Adoption - IIABB and IIABB AR**

M. Jacob made a motion to adopt IIABB and IIABB AR, as presented.

B. Sund seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **B. Acceptance - May 06, 2026 Budget Committee Recommendation for the Proposed Budget for FY 26-27**

M. Jacob made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Rogue River School District Budget Committee, as presented.

B. Sund seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **C. Approval - FFA National Convention**

B. Sund made a motion to approve the FFA National Convention Request - Out of State - for FFA Nationals, as presented.

M. Jacob seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **IX. Good of the Order (Opportunity for District Patrons to Address the Board on Agenda Items)**

### **A. Good of the Order**

Mr. Art Coolidge of White City, Oregon, addressed the Board in his capacity as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for Jackson County. Drawing on his 22 years of experience serving youth across numerous schools, Mr. Coolidge shared his appreciation for the staff of Rogue River Junior/Senior High School.

Mr. Coolidge highlighted the positive impact the school has had on one of the students he serves, who is preparing to graduate. He commended T. Kirkpatrick, E. Figeroa-Wolfe, R. Isom, and H. Wallace for their compassion, patience, and dedication to student success. Mr. Coolidge offered special recognition to Coach Isom for his mentorship and support of student participation in athletics.

Mr. Coolidge concluded by expressing his appreciation for the high quality of the RRJSHS staff and his hope that the District will continue to retain such dedicated educators and support personnel.

## **X. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
C. Schloegl

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- 1) The administration endeavors to anticipate all items that will be dealt with by the Board on the agenda. However, from time to time the Board may add other issues to the agenda during the course of the meeting.
  - 2) Consent Agenda are matters of routine nature. However, from time to time items may be moved out of the consent agenda and placed on the action agenda.
  - 3) Discussion and Report mean the Board intends to discuss or hear a matter. It is not known whether or not a motion will be placed on the table.
  - 4) Approval and Adoption mean the Board intends to take action on the issue. However, from time to time action items may be deferred or tabled.

### **NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION**