



OMAK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
***SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING***  
Tuesday, April 18, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.  
Omak Middle School / High School Multiple Classrooms  
14 S. Cedar St / 20 S. Cedar St., Omak, Washington 98841

## MINUTES

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Dennis Carlton called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

#### 1.01 Roll Call

Board Members:

Dennis Carlton, Chairman	Present
Darrel Diebel	Not Present
Jerry Day	Present
Mandy Holz	Present
Pete Sirois	Present
Michael Porter, Superintendent	Present
Estelle McCormack, Recording Secretary	Present
Wendy Hensarling, Recording Secretary	Present

#### 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting opened with Chairman Dennis Carlton leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 1.03 Approval of Agenda

Motion by Pete Sirois and seconded by Mandy Holz to approve the agenda, as presented.

**Action**

**Motion Approved**

### 2. SPECIAL BUSINESS

Welcome – Introductions

- Tanya Peterson, Career & Technical Education Director

CTE Director Tanya Peterson thanked everyone for attending our annual CTE student presentation meeting. We feel fortunate to be part of a program with a wide variety of opportunities for our students.

Presentations by Career & Technical Education (CTE) Departments:

- **MS STEM**: Anthony Ruiz, Instructor; Peyton Garrett, Meagan Santistevan, Ryker Rush student presenters; Chad Linklater – Advisory Chair.

Peyton Garrett, Meagan Santistevan, and Ryker Rush introduced themselves and provided information on the different attributes of the class, such as Web Design, Code.org, and Minecraft learning platforms. They provided projects created through storyline assignments that led to the creation of the final project of an operational windmill and dozer, with the dozer including robotic coding skills.

- **Theater Tech**: Casey McNett, Instructor; Jonathon Winans – Advisory Chair.

Unfortunately, the student presenters could not attend. Mr. McNett shared the current set design for OVOC and the skills and learning curve it takes for our students to produce quality set designs.

- **Automotive / Auto Shop**: Randy Smith, Instructor; Jarrod Yarnell, student presenter; Dustin Mackie – Advisory Chair.

Jarrod Yarnell introduced himself and presented information on the various classroom projects and activities that give hands-on experience, creativity, and problem-solving skills, such as oil changes, brake repair, carburetor rebuilds, and many more projects. This class inspires students for future automotive career opportunities. Mr. Smith provides time for colleges to speak with students in the classroom about post-high school education possibilities.

- **Family & Consumer Science**: May Riggan, Instructor; Angelica Rodriguez and Jake Rough student presenters; Barb Pearson – Advisory Chair.

Angelica Rodriguez and Jake Rough introduced themselves and presented course information on Adulting 101 and Beginning Foods. These classes assist students in nutrition, meal planning, career readiness, relationships, child development, and preparing students for their future independent living. There has been additional student interest in the classes, and the district plans to hire an additional teacher for the program to offer these classes to more students. The FCCLA Club has been very successful this year, with Kathleen Kirk competing and placing third at the State Competition.

- **Agriculture Carpentry / Welding**: Paul Quick, Instructor; Wyatt Youngblood and Alex Austin, student presenters; Tim Caryl – Advisory Chair.

Mr. Quick shared that Ag Welding, Ag Carpentry, and engineering design classes allow students to earn seven credits (combined) with an approved and submitted portfolio. Also, these classes are articulated for two college classes through the Miller Certification process at Wenatchee Valley College. Wyatt Youngblood and Alex Austin introduced themselves and shared information on class projects, including utilizing the plasma

cutter, arc welding, gas welding and grinding, forging, custom fabrication, metal art, engineering and design, AutoCAD, and math/basic algebra skills. Both students shared that the classes have provided interest in pursuing post-high school careers and/or education with the skills they have mastered.

- **Commercial Art:** Bill Black, Instructor; Jaydon Skinner and Cassidy Coffell, student presenters; Ken Vanderstoep – Advisory Chair.

Jaydon Skinner and Cassidy Coffell introduced themselves and shared some of this year's art projects, with Cassidy's drawing selected for the 2023 Okanogan County Fair cover. Jaydon shared that thanks to the instruction in her high school art classes, she will continue her high school art education at the college level, in hopes of someday owning her own business. Mr. Black encouraged board members to attend the annual student art show on *May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.* in the art room.

- **Agriculture Education:** Elaine Lewis, Instructor; Kady Vejraska and Mercedes Weeks student presenters; Katlenia Vejraska – Advisory Chair.

Kady Vejraska and Mercedes Weeks introduced themselves and shared the Agriculture Education Program opportunities. The students stressed how real-life applications in many of their classes build leadership skills, engage in hands-on learning, give scholarship opportunities that lead students to future careers and provide skills and tools to use in the workforce after high school. We have attained many accomplishments through National FFA Convention, Western National Rangeland CDE, and monthly meetings. Fundraiser activities provide leadership and personal growth opportunities and scholarships for college-bound students. The students thanked everyone for their continued support. This will be Ms. Lewis' last year with the district, as she will be retiring at the end of the school year. We appreciate her dedication and support to our students over the years.

- **Business and Marketing:** Tanya Peterson and Soni Klimek, Instructors; Kaycee Cyr, Quincy Harlan, Adamarys Montoya, Max Gadeberg, student presenters; Kristi O'Neill – Advisory Chair.

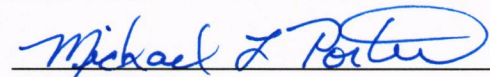
Kaycee Cyr, Quincy Harlan, Adamarys Montoya, and Max Gadeberg introduced themselves and presented an overview of the Accounting I/II, Computer Science and Web Design, Leadership, and FBLA business classes offered at Omak High School. A unique opportunity for our Computer Science students is that we partner with TEALS, which offers professionals from various companies such as Apple and google to zoom in and teach/assist students in the classroom. They have enjoyed the courses and appreciate enhancing their academic and public speaking skills for post-high school opportunities. FBLA is sending ten students to this year's State competition and appreciates your support.

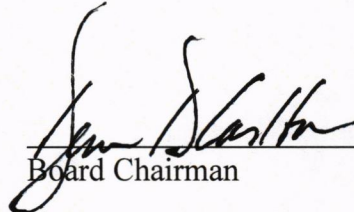
Board Chairman Dennis Carlton thanked Mrs. Peterson for her leadership and the significant progress that is being made in our CTE program. Presentations tonight showed much enthusiasm from our staff and students. It is terrific that one-third of the district's classes offered to students are in the CTE Program.

### 3. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Dennis Carlton adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m. by consensus.

**ATTEST:**

  
Board Secretary

  
Board Chairman