



2020-2021 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS

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Committee Chair: Tass Morrison Committee Members: Andy Gardner, Dave Bolin, Alisha Oliver, Mike Vetter, Gary Rychard, Janine Moothart, Susy Saray, Alan Kirby, Debi Brazelton and Tonia Whisman

August 5, 2020

September 2, 2020

October 6, 2020

November 3, 2020

December 1, 2020

January meeting cancelled

February 2, 2021

March 9, 2021

April 6, 2021

May meeting cancelled

June 1, 2021



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES
Santiam Meeting Room
August 5, 2020 @ 9:30

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The Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 9:30 am in the Santiam Room at the District Office. Social distancing guidelines were followed. Those present included: Andy Gardner, Mike Miller, Janine Moothart, Alan Kirby, Tonia Whisman and Susy Saray (via phone).

AGENDA

1. Brochure/Website Update:

- a. **Brochures/Janine** – all District brochures have been updated and are currently being translated. Janine and Tass will work to begin distributing them to community locations.
- b. **Website/Tonia** – the website has been updated to include new sections regarding COVID-19, School Planning, Options Academy/20-21 learning options and Free & Reduced lunch applications (fillable form). Coming soon will be the 20-21 Operational Blueprints and links to both online and/or printable registration forms.

2. Back To School Communication Webinar

Janine and Tonia shared key take-aways from a webinar they recently watched regarding back to school communication plans. One of the key points that was stressed was to continually focus on self-care during stressful times. Alan noted there will be a seminar on August 12 entitled “Solutions for Educators: Dealing with Trauma During Difficult Times”. It is being presented by the Oregon Assoc. for Career and Technical Education and the Oregon Education Assoc. He offered to share the link with committee members.

3. 2020-21 Communication Plan (what, how often, year-end report, etc)

- a. **Key take-aways from questions, concerns, comments at Chamber Greeters**
- b. **Parent Communication: Comprehensive Distance Learning (CDL) & NSSD Options Academy (Fuel Ed)**

Andy indicated administrators are working to put together a Q & A that will help parents clearly distinguish the difference between CDL and the solely virtual learning that will be available through Options Academy. In addition, it was noted that messaging should include the following points:

- School cannot soon return to “pre-COVID” status. For example, some things that were available last year may not happen this year (i.e. drama/music productions, full offering of electives, opportunity to play three separate sports throughout the year, etc).
- Distance learning will look different than it did last spring. There is much more guidance and structure from ODE regarding how schools can provide instruction and students will be earning letter grades instead of just pass/fail marks. It will be more rigorous in large part because teachers have the opportunity to be more preparative and purposeful with their planning and collaborative with their peers.

Janine will begin working on a draft communication plan for the 2020-21 school year and bring it back to the Committee for input. She will begin gathering information for the 2019-20 annual report once things have begun to settle down and staff have more time to get her the information she needs.

4. Board Videos

The following topics were suggested for future board communication videos:

- a. District Adopted 2020-21 Budget/Fiscal Conservatism of Board & District Admin.**
- b. SHS ODOT interns (CTE Program)**
- c. Completion of SHS construction project house and preparations for house #3**
- d. Health/Safety/Cleaning Protocols** – this may be helpful to alleviate parent concerns about the eventual return to in-person school.

5. 20-21 CE Committee meeting dates/calendar

The Committee agreed to keep the schedule the same for the time being. Meeting dates, barring any conflicts, will occur on the 1st Tues of every month at 10:30 - Sept 1, Oct 6, Nov 3, Dec 1, Jan 5, Feb 2, March 2, April 6, May 4 and June 8. Meetings may be held virtually until in-person restrictions have been lifted. The meeting calendar is available on the District website.

6. Article ideas/timelines for Statesman Journal/Our Town

- **Completion of SHS construction project house and preparations for house #3**
- **SHS ODOT interns (CTE Program)**

Items for the next agenda:

- **Statements regarding equity/anti-racism that were presented by SHS staff during the public comment section of the July 30, 2020 board meeting (banning confederate flag, anti-racism staff training, equity committees).**

Adjourn

The Committee Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:20 am.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES

September 2, 2020 @ 10:30 am

Via Zoom: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/96047830772?pwd=dXJDeVNya3EwSHVhMFU2cy9hRmV5dz09>

Meeting ID: 960 4783 0772 Passcode: 0h1X43

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Members Present: Andy Gardner, Tass Morrison, Jane Moothart, Debi Brazelton, Alan Kirby, Susy Saray and Tonia Whisman.

This meeting was re-scheduled from the standard meeting date of the 1st Tuesday of the month due to a conflict. Due to gathering restrictions still in place due to COVID-19, it was held via Zoom. The Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

AGENDA – standing agenda items are indicated in red

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the Aug 5, 2020 meeting.

Motion Made By: Andy Gardner

Vote: Unanimous

2. Brochure/Website Update:

a. Brochures/Janine

Janine noted the District brochure has been translated into Spanish and 250 copies will be printed and distributed.

b. Website/Tonia

Tonia noted that the 2020-21 Operational Blueprints are posted for public view and updates continue to be made to the Options Academy and COVID/School Planning sections. Janine and Alan will begin working to update photos, links and other information on the website as time allows.

A request was made to make the District's budget information easier to find and it was noted that the 2020-21 Budget has yet to be uploaded.

3. Update on response to SHS staff (public) comments at July 31, 2020 board meeting.

A collection of SHS teachers gave public comment and requested three things: 1) Ban the Confederate Flag 2) Provide professional development on racism and issues regarding social injustice and 3) Create Equity Committees at each campus. Andy noted that NSSD will be banning the Confederate Flag on all school campuses effective September 2020 using existing Board policy as a basis that it is disruptive to the learning environment. A letter will be sent to all parents and students in grades 6-12. It was suggested that the District connect with the school board student rep, Mya Joyce, to provide input on the content of the letter.

In addition, plans will begin in the coming months to provide the professional development no later than the fall of 2021.

4. 2020-21 School Year Communication Plan

Alan and Janine shared a spreadsheet they have been putting together that included current communication tools, how often they are utilized, who should be the point person/group and timelines for future communications.

5. Board Videos

- video regarding NSSD Budget is done and ready to be distributed
- possible video similar to the “I’m Proud” video that was presented to staff at the Back to School event that would be directed toward parents and the community and might include staff and even students (inspiring messaging – (“we are in this together”))
- former SHS students who continue to work as ODOT interns

6. Article ideas/timelines for Statesman Journal/Our Town

- **SHS Construction projects**

It was also suggested to do another ad at the Star Cinema that could possibly focus on Comprehensive Distance Learning successes or the importance of good self-care/mental health during the pandemic. We could also look into utilizing school reader boards.

Items for the next agenda:

Adjourn

The Committee Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:45 am.



North Santiam School District

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES

October 6, 2020 @ 10:30 am

Via Google Meet:

<https://meet.google.com/myg-zsyc-oci>

[Join by phone](#)

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The Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 10:30 am with the following people either logging in to the Zoom meeting or sitting (six feet apart and wearing masks) in the Santiam Room: Andy Gardner, Dave Bolin, Susy Saray, Debi Brazelton and Tonia Whisman

AGENDA – **standing agenda items are indicated in red**

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the Sept 2, 2020 meeting.

Motion Made By: Susy Saray

Vote: unanimous

2. Website Update Plan

Janine and Alan have begun auditing the SHS and SHS Athletics website and have identified many items that need to be updated. It was noted that the SHS Computer HelpDesk class will have one student for the 1st semester. The student's name is Jackson Kroon and he has already started helping the District Technology Dept with setting up chromebooks and hot spots for student use. Once these duties are completed, he will begin working with Alan to make the needed updates to the website.

Once the SHS sites are finished, Janine, Alan and Jackson will begin working on the remaining sites. Tass offered to audit the Sublimity website and report her findings.

During the wildfires, the District created a page dedicated to information and resources and how the changing conditions were affecting the start-up of school. The Committee agreed that since the immediacy of the wildfires has passed, that section can come down from the homepage of the website. The District will leave a link to resources.

3. 2020-21 School Year Communication Plan

A communication plan for the 2020-21 school year was presented to the committee at the Sept meeting. It was agreed that the Committee should vote to accept the plan while acknowledging there will be ongoing updates as new communication opportunities present themselves or if there are changes in staff or duties assigned.

Motion that the Committee approves the 2020-21 School Year Communication Plan as presented.

Motion Made By: Debi Brazelton

Vote: Unanimous

4. Board Videos

Tass requested that Board members take a few moments at the next in-person meeting to directly address staff (on video) to thank them for their efforts and acknowledge all the barriers they've had to overcome in order to serve students.

The second video already in the planning stage will focus on the CTE programs at Stayton High School. The video will reference the intern program with ODOT but it may be best to do a separate video featuring the SHS graduates who are interning to keep the video length down. This would also allow for separation between current students and graduates (how CTE programs helped them).

5. Article ideas/timelines for Statesman Journal/Our Town

- **School start up (Wi-Fi hotspots and plans for small group instruction)**
- **Donation efforts by staff during the wildfires**

Items for the next agenda:

Adjourn

The Committee Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:15 am



North Santiam School District

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES

November 3, 2020 @ 10:30 am

Via Google Meet:

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Members Present: Tass Morrison, Andy Gardner, Susy Saray, Alisha Oliver, Debi Brazelton, Dave Bolin, Gary Rychard, Alan Kirby and Tonia Whisman.

The Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 10:40 am.

AGENDA – **standing agenda items are indicated in red**

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the Oct 6, 2020 meeting.

Motion Made By: Gary Rychard

Vote: unanimous

2. Website Update Plan

Alan Kirby indicated that the SHS student working in the student helpdesk class will begin work on the high school website this week. The student is actually headquartered at the District Office for now and has been primarily helping with the set up and distribution of chromebooks and hotspots up until this point. The outdated information on the SHS sites has already been identified by Alan and Janine Moothart and the list has been shared with the student. Tass reviewed the Sublimity School website and will send her findings to the school office manager.

3. 2020-21 School Year Communication Plan

Tass Morrison indicated that the District has received some feedback from parents and students expressing their strong desire to return students back into school buildings for in-person learning and co-curricular activities and would like input from the Committee to help all District representatives speak with one message.

Andy Gardner shared his talking points that he has already provided to board members to help with conversations with the public. He indicated, above all else, comments from the District to any stakeholder should focus on the importance of everyone following the health & safety protocols to slow the spread of COVID-19. Many schools have opened schools only to have to shut them back down due to spikes of cases in the community.

Another key message the District will want to focus on are the precautions buildings have already put into place and continue to improve upon to create the safest possible environment in which to work and learn.

With the latest school metrics released on October 30, 2020 by Gov. Brown, the District can look to immediately plan to (slowly) start bringing students into buildings in small groups. Prior to the new metrics, schools could not open until there had been no cases in their student or staff populations for the previous 14 days. The current plan is to have the first group start on Nov. 16, 2020. District and building administrators will watch case numbers very closely. If safety protocols prove successful and the community spread doesn't continue to rise exponentially, schools will look to increase student groups slowly in December.

Talking Points

1. We are committed to beginning the work of bringing our kids back in a safe manner. We readily acknowledge that Distance Learning is not the equal of the learning students do in our schools.
2. To ensure safety of students, families and staff, we will be deliberate and planful and will phase in our increasing number of students.
3. Limited in-person can happen for only two hours a day and can't replace comprehensive distance learning.
4. We are right now facing increasing cases which even now threatens Limited In-Person Instruction.
5. The District did not implement LIPI in October due to cases among students and staff in four schools, as well as the local increase in cases since Oct. 10.

4. Board Videos

Ideas included the District's response to the community during the wildfires which could also include a story about the group of students from Germany who have attended SHS through a short exchange student program over the past several years. They heard about the fires and raised \$2500 to assist local students affected by the disaster. Another element to the story could include the District's decision to waive the Excise Tax during the permitting process for those needing to rebuild homes destroyed in the fire.

5. Article ideas/timelines for Statesman Journal/Our Town

- **Plans for in-person learning (include great work done by nursing staff)**
- **Fall co-curricular activities that were allowed to occur**
- **Home Construction Projects – completing #2 and starting #3**

Items for the next agenda:

The Committee Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:20 am.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES

December 1, 2020 @ 10:30 am

Via Google Meet:

Meeting ID

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Members Present: All present

Agenda

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the Nov 3, 2020 meeting.

Motion Made By: Gary Rychard

Vote: unanimous

2. Website Update Plan

The SHS website is currently being updated by Alan Kirby and student enrolled in the I.T. Helpdesk class. Tonia Whisman continues to make updates to the district office site and Tass has presented her findings to the office manager at Sublimity School. Efforts will continue to update all sites and add new content.

3. 2020-21 School Year Communication Plan

Dave Bolin noted that it would be helpful to always look for opportunities within the communication plan to allow stakeholders to provide feedback. By doing so, it will allow the District to fulfill some of the requirements within the Student Success Act for community engagement.

- Since there are no state report cards (no state testing due to COVID) and many of the activities and programs across the District have been limited or cancelled completely, the 2019-20 and 2020-21 Annual Reports will be combined.
- Updating school brochures has been put on hold for the time being but work will continue to collect photos as opportunities present themselves so they will be available when needed.

3.1 Board Videos

Garrett Trott will be the board member speaking on the next video. Ideas included (in the order of importance):

1. Limited In-Person Instruction Preparations/Progress/Future Plans (include spotlight on nurses and their contract-tracing highlights)
2. "A day in the Life" of a food service employee
3. Success stories/highlights of student academic & emotional supports (either LIPI or during CDL)
4. 2nd Home Construction Sale and Alt School building preparations
5. Preschool Promise Program at SES

In addition, the Committee requested that the video board members made, expressing their thanks to staff, be added to the website along with all the previous board messaging videos.

3.2 Article ideas/timelines for Statesman Journal/Our Town

- LIPI

- Holiday Share event
- Home sale and plans for Alt Center

Items for the next or future agendas:

- **Possible bond in May 2021**

The Committee Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:25.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES

February 2, 2021

Via Google Meet:

Meeting ID

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The meeting was called to order at 10:30 am.

Present Included: Tass Morrison, Andy Gardner, Dave Bolin, Alisha Oliver, Mike Vetter, Gary Rychard, Susy Saray, Alan Kirby, Debi Brazelton and Tonia Whisman

AGENDA – standing agenda items are indicated in red

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the Dec 1, 2020 meeting.

Motion Made By: Gary Rychard

Vote: unanimous

2. Board Award Nominations

>Dorothy Loftin, Community Partner Award- Dave Bolin and Nicole Duncan requested that the committee nominate Dorothy and submitted the following comment:

“I recommend Dorothy Loftin to be recognized with the Community Partner Award because of her generous donation of time supporting NSSD’s staff’s preparation use of Canvas. Dorothy was eager and willing to meet with the ISST department to help coordinate and plan the training plan to support the staff to use a brand new LMS required by ODE. Her expertise allowed all teachers access to 20 hours of in-person training, solve problems during the first few weeks of implementation, and provided the most important tools to create a solid foundation in the new technology. She met with me on weekends, evenings and even participated in office hours in addition to her own personal job. Dorothy is a self-less person and would not accept compensation for any of her extra time. I hold her with high regard, and we could not have been successful without her offer of support. “

>Michelle Hendricks, Community Partner Award-Alan Kirby recommended Michelle for her efforts in assisting the District in selling both construction class home projects. In addition to offering expert advice on improving the salability, she also donates her sales commission.

The Committee also discussed exploring a way to thank Santiam Hospital for everything they’ve done to make the COVID-19 vaccination clinics so smooth and accessible for NSSD staff and community members.

3. Update on Board gifts to staff

The Board of Directors desired to thank all District staff for their dedicated work during the stressful working conditions surrounding COVID and the Beachie Creek wildfire. Staff were able to choose one of four types of bags (tote, lunch box/backpack, computer/backpack, duffle bag) with the NSSD logo to aid in the performance of their job duties. As of the date of the meeting, the bags had been distributed to the district office, Mari-Linn and Sublimity. The remainder were set to be delivered later that day. The bags also included a note of thanks that had been signed by all board members and the superintendent.

4. Website Update Plan: Alan Kirby

The SHS website update is nearly complete and then work will begin on the SHS Athletics page

5. 2020-21 School Year Communication Plan

The start date for Hybrid is scheduled for Feb, 22, 2021 but may be delayed until March 1 since many staff members are receiving their 2nd COVID shot on Feb. 20th. There appear to be more significant reactions from the 2nd shot and since there tend to be very few substitutes available, it may be prudent to delay in-person teaching by one week. Either way, there will be a 3-week notice to parents and staff so they can prepare.

New cameras are currently being installed and tested in classrooms that will allow students learning from home to tune into the live class on their off days of Hybrid learning (or if they are solely CDL). Communication regarding the cameras will be done individually by school.

6. Board Videos

- **New video should focus on Hybrid Protocols**
 - Amazing work of the nurses (contract tracing)
 - Why no temperature readings?
 - Cleaning processes

7. Article ideas/timelines for Statesman Journal/Our Town

- Student Investment Account Update
- Focus Groups for Equity Learning

Items for the next agenda:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES

March 9, 2021

Via Google Meet:

Meeting ID

meet.google.com/mpv-azvm-ota

Phone Numbers

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The meeting was called to order at 10:33 am. Those present included: Tass Morrison, Andy Gardner, Dave Bolin, Alisha Oliver, Mike Vetter, Gary Rychard, Janine Moothart, Susy Saray, Alan Kirby, Debi Brazelton and Tonia Whisman

AGENDA –

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the Feb 2, 2021 meeting.

Motion Made By: Andy Gardner

Vote: unanimous

2. Website Update: Alan Kirby

Now that sports programs have begun, the SHS students enrolled in the helpdesk class will begin adding links and information and connect with coaches.

3. 2020-21 School Year Communication Plan

Janine reviewed the District's communication plan and notated any progress. She indicated she and Alan are beginning to prepare an "annual report" that will continue information for both 19-20 and 20-21.

4. Board Videos

- Hybrid "state of the union" (nursing, safety measures, message from Erin Cramer as voice of Board & health authorities)
- Metrics of students who returned vs those who remained in CDL and testimonials of students who've returned.
- Return of sports, promote streaming service

5. Article ideas/timelines for Statesman Journal/Our Town

- Return to sports (James Day) standing article-not District driven
- Retirement of Missy Riesterer for May or June
- Bond Levy
- SIA update

Items for the next agenda:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:36 AM



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES

April 6, 2021

Via Google Meet:

Meeting ID

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PIN: 567 916 043#

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The meeting was called to order at 10:30 am with the following members present: Tass Morrison, Andy Gardner, Dave Bolin, Alisha Oliver, Mike Vetter, Gary Rychard, Janine Moothart, Susy Saray, Alan Kirby, and Tonia Whisman

AGENDA –

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2021 meeting.

Motion Made By: Gary Rychard

Vote: unanimous

2. Website Update: Alan Kirby

There were no major updates to the website since the last CE meeting.

3. 2020-21 School Year Communication Plan

Janine presented some mock-ups for the front cover of the 2019-21 Annual Report. Due to COVID, 2019-20 and 2020-21 will be combined. She is recommending adding four additional pages to allow for enough space for both years. She will begin reaching out to administrators for content. The Committee discussed options for the front/back cover content and how much space should be dedicated, both on the exterior and interior, to the external factors that affected student learning and achievements (COVID, Beachie Creek Fire and ice storm).

4. Board Videos

The most recent video was focused on the return of athletics at both the high school and middle school levels. The next video will highlight stories from each school about how they are acclimating and accommodating more students in buildings.

5. Board Award Nominations

The Committee reviewed the different types of NSSD Board Awards and the criteria. Andy suggested that the Board, at some point, recognize the North Santiam Youth Athletics (NSYA) organization for stepping in to fill the gap in youth sports (K-8) when the YMCA cancelled their program in the Stayton area. Michelle Hendricks was also mentioned again as a possible recipient for her efforts with helping the District sell the homes built by the construction class. Ultimately, the Committee agreed to select one recipient for this year and to choose someone whose contributions were school year specific. Dorothy Loftin provided a great deal of support to teachers and administrators this year when the

District implemented the [CANVAS Learning Management Platform](#) to help facilitate comprehensive distance learning due to COVID-19. The other two nominations will remain on the table for future years.

Motion that the Community Engagement Committee recommend Dorothy Loftin for the NSSD Board of Directors Community Partnership Award.

Motion Made By: Gary Rychard
Vote: unanimous

6. Article ideas/timelines for Statesman Journal/Our Town

Janine has already contacted Our Town to see if they would be willing to run a story about the retirement of Missy Riesterer from Sublimity School. She will check back to see if there is still room for the May issue.

There should also be plans for a story about the results of the election in May and the appointment process to fill Garrett's Board of Directors seat that was vacated in March (2021).

Items for the next agenda:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:37 am



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES

June 1, 2021

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://nsantiam-k12-or-us.zoom.us/j/87670384118?pwd=SGdFdnk5WjVhMXVhLWZWMxRmRpdHh5QT09>

Meeting ID: 876 7038 4118 Passcode: 649368

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Present Included: Tass Morrison, Andy Gardner, Dave Bolin, Alisha Oliver, Mike Vetter, Gary Rychard, Janine Moothart, Susy Saray, Debi Brazelton and Tonia Whisman

AGENDA –

1. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the April 6, 2021 meeting.

Motion Made By: Gary Rychard

Vote: unanimous

2. Reports to City Councils

The Committee agreed they would like to connect with city councils again. Key topics may include a recap of the year, summer school plan and the anticipation of reopening in the fall.

3. 2020-21 School Year Communication Plan

The submission for the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce visitor's guide is being finalized. The Committee discussed a few details regarding some of the messaging. They felt it was important to include a statement indicating an excitement regarding plans for full reopening in the fall. There will be a duplicate of the ad. Submitted for the Stayton Sublimity Chamber of Commerce visitor guide.

Janine indicated the Sublimity and Stayton High School brochures will need updated due to new principals.

4. Board Videos:

Alan Kirby is working on a video this week regarding the District's CTE programs. The committee suggesting trying to include an intro by a board member (either Alisha Oliver or Mark Henderson). An idea for an upcoming video could include snippets from all the summer school learning.

5. Social media post introducing new board members

The District will plan Facebook posts highlighting all three new board members in July. Janine will also contact *Our Town* to see if they would be willing to put it in the July or August edition.

It was also noted that the District will be updating all NSSD websites to a new template over the summer. The current template has expired and will eventually cease to be supported by the web host, BlackBoard. Tonia will work with a student intern to get this done.

6. Article ideas/timelines for Statesman Journal/Our Town

- New board members
- New school building leadership This would include Ryan Westenskow at Sublimity and Joe Traeger at SHS. Missy Riesterer was featured in the June 2021 edition.
- Summer Enrichment plans for students

Items for the next agenda:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am.