

**Minutes in Brief**

**SOUTHERN OREGON EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
WORK SESSION, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2019**

**Call to Order**

A special meeting of the Southern Oregon Education Service District Board of Directors was held on Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 5:00 PM. The meeting was called for the Board to discuss board priorities and potential goals. The meeting was held in the upstairs conference room of the ESD’s Medford office located at 101 North Grape Street, Medford, Oregon.

**Attendance**

**Board members in attendance:**

- Rosie Converse
- Austin Fohnagy
- Ana Mannenbach
- Mary Middleton
- Bob Moore
- Maud Powell
- Justin Wright
- Annie Valtierra-Sanchez

**Board members absent:**

- Christine Norton-Cotts

**SOESD Staff members in attendance:**

- Jessica Bach, Board Secretary
- Scott Beveridge, Superintendent
- Daniel Weaver, Business Manager

**Meeting Facilitator:**

- John Bowling

**Planning and Board Development**

John Bowling, of Sustainable Leadership Consultants, facilitated a discussion regarding board working relationships, core challenge issues, strategic priorities, and areas of focus for the Board. The following documents were distributed:

- Meeting outline
- Sample School Board Operating Protocol
- Six Guidelines for Effective Board Communication
- SOESD Strategic Roadmap, 2018-2020

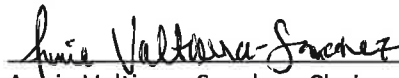
Round table introductions were made and attendees shared a specific way that the education system had influenced their decisions to serve on the SOESD Board. Mr. Bowling announced the guidelines for the meeting. Board members reflected on their desired takeaways and critical questions they hoped to address. Mr. Bowling listed individual member’s priorities and the Board discussed each point. Members discussed their views on the board’s areas of strengths and areas that could be explored for working together even better, as well as priorities for the board to consider as potential goals. A sample school board operating protocol was reviewed.

## Miscellaneous

- OSBA Fall Regional Meeting: October 30, 2019, 6:00 PM, Inn at the Commons, Medford  
*Members Folnagy, Middleton, Moore, Norton-Cotts, Wright, and Valtierra-Sanchez plan to attend along with Superintendent Beveridge.*
- OAESD Superintendents and Board Fall Summit, November 14, 2019, 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM, Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront Hotel  
*Members Mannenbach, Norton-Cotts, Valtierra-Sanchez, Wright, and Superintendent Beveridge plan to attend.*
- 2019 OSBA Annual Convention: November 14-17, 2019, Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront  
*Members Folnagy, Mannenbach, Moore, Norton-Cotts, Powell, Valtierra-Sanchez, Wright, and Superintendent Beveridge plan to attend.*
- Next Regular Meeting: November 20, 2019, 6:00 PM, SOESD's Medford Office
- AESA 2019 Annual Conference: December 4-7, 2019, JW Marriott Phoenix Desert Ridge Resort, Phoenix, Arizona
- NSBA 2020 Annual Conference and Exposition: April 4-6, 2020, Chicago, Illinois  
*Member Folnagy plans to attend. Board members are asked to let Jessica Bach know of their interest in attending so that registration, lodging, and travel arrangements can be made.*

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM at the conclusion of the work session.

  
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Annie Valtierra-Sanchez, Chair  
Southern Oregon ESD Board of Directors

Scott Beveridge  
Superintendent/Clerk