

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION – TOPIC SUMMARY**

**Topic:** Riddle Education Center Charter School Closure and Assets

**Date:** August 21, 2014

**Staff/Office:** Kate Pattison/Office of Learning

**Action Requested:**  Informational Only  Adoption Later  Adoption  Adoption/Consent Agenda

**ISSUE BEFORE THE BOARD:**

Approval for the assets from closed Riddle Education Center Charter School in Riddle School District to be disbursed to the Riddle School District.

**BACKGROUND:**

According to ORS 338.105, if a charter is terminated or a public charter school is dissolved, the assets of the public charter school that were purchased with public funds shall be given to the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education may disburse the assets of the public charter school to school districts or other public charter schools. The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) received a list of all Riddle Education Center Charter School assets purchased with public funds. The Charter School and School District Boards have voted to close the charter school and open a district operated alternative program that could utilize the assets of the charter school.

This request to allow the assets to remain with the district is allowable by charter school law and the request is also consistent with past practice of the State Board of Education.

**POLICY QUESTIONS:**

None

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

The Superintendent and ODE staff recommends approval of the disbursement of assets to the Riddle School District.

**Attachments**

- Charter School and School District Board minutes
- Letter from Charter School
- List of Assets Purchased with Public Funds

6 August 2014

Subject: Letter of Explanation; Closure of Riddle Education Center (Charter School)

To Whom It May Concern:

On June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014 The Riddle Education Center School Board and Riddle School District 70 Board voted to close the Riddle Education Center Charter School. The school was in the red financially and would not be able to be able to operate in the black as an independent school. Both boards voted to send the assets to the Alternative Education Center (opening 2014-2015 school year and operated by Riddle School District 70) which will be opened in place of Riddle Education Center.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 541-874-2251.

Thank you,

William Don Starkweather

William Don Starkweather  
Principal Riddle Jr./Sr. High School  
Former Executive Director Riddle Education Center

Riddle Charter School Board Meeting  
June 18, 2014

Members Present: Donala Simmons, Jane Mitchell, Mike Leichner & Susan Harris

REC Director: Bill Starkweather

Members Absent: Tony Milton & Clyde Gauger

Guest: Julia (ESD)

Handouts given: Agenda, Minutes, Directors Report, Expenditures, Pottery Grant & Shuttering the REC

1. Approval of minutes: Susan made the motion to approve the Minutes, Donala 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion all approved.
2. Old Business – None.
3. Directors Report – See Handout.
4. Finance Report – None
5. New Business- It was decided to close the R.E.C. and to pay the debt to the Riddle School District and to transfer the remainder of the funds and any other assets to the new Alternative Education Class. Donala Made this motion and Susan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion all were in favor.
6. Public Comment – None
7. Meeting Adjourned – Donala made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Susan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.



## **RIDDLE SCHOOL DISTRICT 70**

Board of Directors Meeting

June 18, 2014

<b>Board Members -</b>	Erwin Hackett, Darin McMichael, Lisa Riekeman, Shantelle Weakley
<b>Absent -</b>	Carol Linton
<b>Administration -</b>	Dave Gianotti, Bill Starkweather
<b>Guests -</b>	Jane Mitchell, Karinda Rainwater, Donala Simmons, Julia Swearingen

**Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Lisa Riekeman.**

### **Flag Salute**

#### **Budget Hearing**

- 1.0 Opening**
- 2.0 Budget Resolution**
- 3.0 Close**

#### **Regular Meeting**

- 1.0 Welcome**
- 2.0 Recognitions, Appreciations & Presentations**

Mr. Starkweather would like to recognize the Riddle Education Center's Board of Directors and staff for all their volunteer hours and continuous support, Tony Milton, Clyde Gauger, Mike Leichner, Susan Harris, Jane Mitchell, Donala Simmons, Cherie Cheeseman, Dennis Wilcox, Sarah Granum and Deniece Thompson. A big thank you goes out to Clarence Mitchell for his help during the hectic mowing season and Day Snyder who has helped with softball cleanup. Monica Maurer was a wonderful announcer at this year's baseball games and her volunteer time was appreciated. Kudos goes to Amy Chandler for arranging the OMSI Assembly at the elementary school and securing a bargain price, too. Mr. Gianotti would like to thank Riddle High School Leadership, Diana Rainwater, Amy Chandler, Candace Bartsch and Coca-Cola for their help and donations for this year's elementary field day. Thanks goes out to Umpqua Bank for their pizza feed for the Positive Paw recognition and for their donation of goody bags for our end of the year awards assembly. Jennifer Lynn, Title I Instructional Assistants and various volunteers put on another wonderful Reading Challenge Field trip this year. Ice Cream Math was a big success and thanks to all the elementary staff that helped in serving up ice cream to each elementary student who earned their treat. Marty Follose was a huge asset to Riddle School District this year; he stepped up and brought us through several tough situations, including putting on an elementary band concert on a moment's notice. Kathy Matthews ran a wonderful 6<sup>th</sup> grade promotion ceremony this year. Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade class enjoyed a successful transition day put on by the high school, thanks to all the staff who made the upcoming 7<sup>th</sup> graders feel welcome. A special thank you to Diana Rainwater who works tirelessly on making the end of the year awards ceremony a success; it takes hours of work to prepare the certificates, get prizes and organize the assembly, without her it just wouldn't be possible.

- 3.0 Consent Agenda**

Darin moved to approve the consent agenda, Shantelle seconded; motion carried 4-0.

**4.0 Business Items for Board Information**

**4.1 School/District Reports**

Handouts as presented

**5.0 Business Items for Board Action**

**5.1 Licensed Hiring**

Mr. Gianotti would like to recommend Jeni Brown for the elementary 2<sup>nd</sup> grade position. Mr. Starkweather would like to recommend James Billstine Jr. for the high school English position.

Erwin moved to approve Jeni Brown for the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade position and James Billstine Jr. for the high school English position, Darin seconded; motion carried 4-0.

**5.2 Classified Hiring**

Mr. Starkweather would like to hire Rocky Rodgers, head football coach, and Jason Leeper, assistant football coach.

Darin moved to approve Rocky Rodgers as head football coach and Jason Leeper as assistant football coach, Shantelle seconded; motion carried 4-0.

**5.2a Budget Resolution**

Julia explained several budget resolutions including:

Kid Venture Fund	OCF Lilja Family Fund
DC Commission on Children and Families	Pacific Power Foundation
District PLT Grant	IDEA
General Fund Additional Revenue	2014-15 Budget

Erwin moved to accept budget resolutions as listed and explained by Julia, Shantelle seconded; motion carried 4-0.

**5.2b Graduation Requirement Changes**

Mr. Starkweather would like to change the Riddle High School graduation requirements to include one full year of government, one half-year personal finance and one half-year economics. He would like to reduce the current requirements by one elective leaving our total requirements the same at 24.

Darin moved to approve the graduation requirements as listed and explained by Mr. Starkweather, Shantelle seconded; motion carried 4-0.

**5.3 2014-2015 District Calendar**

Shantelle moved to approve the 2014-2015 District Calendar, Erwin seconded; motion carried 4-0.

**5.4 REC Closure**

The Riddle Education Center Board of Directors voted to close the Riddle Education Center during their regular meeting on June 18, 2014. Mr. Starkweather is in favor of the Riddle School District opening an alternative education program.

Darin moved to approve the closure of the charter school, Riddle Education Center, and open an alternative education program with the assets going from the REC to the alternative education program, Erwin seconded; motion carried 4-0.

**5.5 July Board Meeting**

Darin moved to cancel the scheduled July meeting of the Riddle School District Board of Directors, Shantelle seconded; motion carried 4-0.

**5.6 First Reading Re-Adoption Section I**

**6.0 Opportunity For Public Comment**

Jane would like to know if the cooking class advertised at The Shamrock is associated with the school. Mr. Starkweather explained that Vista volunteer, Susan Nelson, is running the class. Donala would like to know if it's possible to add on to the current cafeteria at the high school. Dave believes there is no way to add additional space to the current room. There are remaining lunch funds that need to be expended and talk of a possible dishwasher or convection oven in the FACS room is a possibility.

**7.0 Adjourn**

**Meeting adjourned 8:40**

Respectfully submitted,

Karinda Rainwater

## Riddle Education Center (Charter School) Asset List

Quantity	Publisher/Company	ID	Title
1	Prentice Hall	ATE	Literature and the Language Arts
1	Prentice Hall	ATE	Literature: The American Expression
1	Prentice Hall	ATE	Literature: Timeless Voices, Timeless Themes
1	Prentice Hall	ATE	Literature: Timeless Voices, Timeless Themes British Tradition
1	Holt	ATE	Elements of Literature
1	AGS	TE	Basic English Composition
1	AGS	TE	American Literature
1	AGS	TE	Economics
1	AGS	TE	Life Skills Health
1	AGS	TE	Algebra 2
1	AGS	TE	Consumer Mathematics
1	AGS	TE	World Geography
1	Paul Ward English	TE	Geography
1	McDougal Littell	TE	Language of Literature Grade 10
1	McDougal Littell	TE	Language of Literature Grade 7
1	McDougal Littell	TE	Language of Literature Grade 9
1	McDougal Littell	TE	Language of Literature: American Literature
1	McDougal Littell	TE	Language of Literature: Grade 8
19	McDougal Littell	TB	Language of Literature: Grade 8
22	McDougal Littell	TB	Language of Literature: American Literature
26	McDougal Littell	TB	Language of Literature: Grade 7
25	McDougal Littell	TB	Language of Literature: Grade 10
6	McDougal Littell	TB	Language of Literature
1	McDougal Littell	TB	The Americans
11	AGS	TB	American Literature
6	AGS	TB	Geometry
1	AGS	TB	Healthy Sexual Development
28	AGS	TB	Unites States History
6	AGS	TB	Exploring Literature
13	AGS	TB	United States Government
3	AGS	TB	World Geography
5	AGS	TB	Algebra 2
8	AGS	TB	Pre-Algebra
2	AGS	TB	Basic Math Skills
16	AGS	TB	Basic English Composition
5	AGS	TB	Basic English Grammar
12	AGS	TB	Consumer Mathematics
5	AGS	TB	World Literature
2	AGS	TB	English for the World of Work
2	AGS	TB	Basic English

10	AGS	TB	Life Skills Health
8	AGS	TB	Economics
3	AGS	TB	Earth Science
13	AGS	TB	Algebra
2	AGS	TB	Life Skills English
14	AGS	TB	Biology
12	AGS	TB	Discover Health
2	AGS	TB	Physical Science
1	Glencoe	TB	The Child Care Professional
28	Glencoe	TB	The Developing Child
8	Glencoe	TB	Science Voyages
1	Buell	TB	Chemistry Fundamentals
1	Key Curriculum Press	TB	Discovering Geometry
14	Addison-Wesley	TB	Algebra
3	Bennett	TB	Creative Living
7	Macmillan	TB	Health and Wellness
1		TB	Algebra
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: American Literature
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Basic English
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Basic English Grammar
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: World Literature
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: English for the World of Work
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Life Skills English
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Physical Science
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Biology
2	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: United States Government
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Earth Science
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Economics
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: World Geography
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Basic Mathematics Skills
2	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Life Skills Health
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: United States History
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Discover Health
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Algebra
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Geometry

1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Consumer Math
1	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Pre-Algebra
2	AGS	CD	Teacher's Resource Library: Exploring Literature
2	McDougal Littell	WB	Language of Literature
5		WB	HealthWise
1	McDougal Littell		Teacher's Resource Package
1	Holt		Elements of Literature Core Components Binder
50		Book	Saturn I/IB
10		Book	Large Print Word Finds
16		Book	Webster's Dictionaries
3	Dell Optiplex 760		Desktop w/Monitor
1	HP		Laser Jet Printer 5000
1	HP		5300C Scan Jet Scanner
1	Canon		Scanner Printer
6			Guitars
1			Popcorn Machine
8			Root True Farm
3			Hunter Green Pop-up Gazebo
2			Lamps
6			Brown Tables: Heavy
1	Bostitch	OS	Pencil Sharpener
12		OS	Reams of Assorted Paper
3	Texas Instruments	OS	TI 30 Calculators
1		OS	Box of Scissors
2		OS	Box of Paint
1		OS	Box of Craft Glue
1		OS	Box of Crayons
1		OS	Box of Fuzzy Sticks
1		OS	Box of Glues Guns and Glue Sticks
1		OS	Box of Ribbons and Trimming
1		OS	Box of Tissue Paper
1		OS	Box of Construction and Cardstock Paper
1		OS	Box of Chalk and Pastels
?		OS	Assortment of Office Supplies
1		OS	Drawer Table
1		OS	Three Hole Punch
2		OS	Notecard Filers