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School budget approved

By HERB SWETT For the Keizertimes

The substantially increased Salem-Keizer School District budget for 2015-16 became official Tuesday.

A total of \$665,720,876 received School Board approval two weeks after the district budget committee, of which the board constitutes half the membership, officially recommended it.

Broken down, the budget has a general fund of \$433,168,002, special revenue funds of \$91,324,333, debt service funds of \$53,196,353, capital projects funds of \$32,542,082, a \$939,132 enterprise fund, internal service funds of \$32,281,209, trust fund appropriations of \$302,493 and unappropriated and reserve funds of \$21,967,272.

Without changing the total, the board approved a few adjustments by transferring \$4 million for technology enhancements, \$1 million for instructional materials, \$3 million to the Public Employees Retirement Service debt service fund to mitigate expenses brought on by the Oregon Supreme Court decision reversing much of PERS reform legislation, and \$3.225 million for renovation, remodeling and enhancements in districtowned and -leased space.

The board approved a property tax levy at the rate of \$4.521 per \$1,000 assessed value, or \$904.20 on a \$200,000 home, and bonds in the amount of \$33,990,211, to finance the budget.

Approved for first reading

were the final lease between the district and Mountain West Career Technical Institute for the Career Technical Education Center, and a proposed lease with option to purchase property at 1115 Commercial St. NE in Salem for special education programs. Adoption of these items is expected at a special board meeting at 5:30 p.m. June 25 at the Lancaster Professional Center.

In other business, the board had several farewells. The most conspicuous were for Jeff Faville, who did not seek re-election to the board; Ken Parshall, assistant superintendent and former McNary High School principal, who is moving to the Madras School District to become principal of the Warm Springs K-8 Academy; and Kathleen Sundell, who is retiring as president of the Salem-Keizer Education Association.

Hirings announced by Superintendent Christy Perry were those of Kathleen Shumway as principal of McKinley Elementary School and Mark Thompson as principal of Houck Middle School.

Other personnel actions approved by the board include the following for the McNary attendance area.

- Employment as temporary full-time teachers Eric Schmidt, advanced mathematics, McNary, and Debbie McLiberty Martinez, thirdgrade bilingual, Weddle Elementary School.
- Employment as a first-year probation part-time teacher of Marypatricia Hill, counselor, Keizer Elementary School.
 - · Employment as first-year

probation full-time teachers of • Tamara Mullins was recently Megan Ward and Joyce Yang, learning resource center, Mc-

- named to the president's list at Graceland University in Lamoni. Iowa for a 4.0 GPA.
- Brittney Luxon was recently named to the dean's list at Columbia College Columbia, Missouri for a GPA of 3.5 or higher.
- The following students were named to the dean's list at George Fox University in Oregon for a GPA of 3.5 or higher: Austin Coburn, a junior majoring in cinema and media communication; Kaylee Cooper, a sophomore majoring in psychology; Shelby Magnuson, a sophomore majoring in Christian Ministries.
- The following students were named to the dean's list at East-

ern Oregon University in La Grande, Oregon for a GPA of 3.5 or higher: Elizabeth Johnson; Evan Rummerfield; Laura

- Matthew Miller, majoring in Business Administration B.S., was recently named to the dean's list at LeTourneau University in Longview, Texas for a GPA within 3.5 and 3.99.
- Madeline North was recently named to the dean's list at Pacific University in Forest Grove, Oregon for a GPA of 3.7 or higher.
- Jennifer Chanthalangsy and Luanna Dishon recently graduated from Kansas' University of St. Mary. Both received degrees in nursing.

Gallery features photos, fashion in June

The Keizer Art Association is presenting two concurrent shows in June at the Enid Joy Mount Gallery: "Photography" and "Fiber to Fashion."

The two shows run through

The Enid Joy Mount Gallery is located in the Keizer Heritage Center at 980 Chemawa Road NE. Gallery hours are 1 to 4 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays.

Keizer faithful join forces to feed Big Toy volunteers

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grads & grades

By DEE MOORE For the Keizertimes

Finding 150 volunteers a day to build the Big Toy might seem a challenge. Feeding those 150 workers three times a day for five days appeared to most a Herculean task.

Nary; Kristin Murray, LRC,

Weddle; Brandon Bennett and

Beth Vidana, LRC, Claggett

Creek Middle School; Tessie

Riddle, math, Claggett Creek;

and Mary Merwin, math, Mc-

full-time teachers of Mari

Haarheim, first-grade Eng-

lish for speakers of other lan-

guages, Cummings Elemen-

tary School, and Beverly Platt,

LRC, Gubser and Cummings

· Resignations of Caleb

Stutz, fourth-grade ESOL,

Cummings, and Brian Bigham,

physical education, Keizer.

elementary schools.

• Employment as contract

But for Dave Bauer the answer was simple; reach out to the faith community and ask them to lend a hand. And they did. Four different churches and NW Natural came together to make sure that build volunteers would have a hardy home-cooked dinner after a day of hard labor.

According to Bauer, who is responsible for feeding the approximately 150 daily volunteers, he has all the food service workers he needs to insure that Big Toy builders are well fed as they construct the massive play project. The build started Wednesday and wraps up Sunday.

The menus are set, the supplies have been donated and now all that needs to be done is the cooking.

Thanks to several churches and many merchants, there will be breakfast, lunch and dinner all five days of the build. Construction volunteers will be getting a little bit of everything from down home cooking to internationally inspired meals.

"I had this idea of a potluck, but cooking for 150 people was more than I could do, so I came up with the idea of going to the

churches. I came up with this idea because all of the churches have great opportunities for giving back to the community,"

So he cast his net and hauled in a boat load of volunteers; St. Edward Catholic Church, Dayspring Fellowship, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and Lakepoint Community Church all offered to help

Each church will cook one evening meal for Bauer's team of food service volunteers to set up and serve to the builders. St. Edward will bring what Bauer describes as "comfort food" while Dayspring Fellow-

ship will be providing Italian meal. The LDS church will provide a Mexican meal, Lakepoint will - Dave Bauer be bringing barbecue

and NW

Natural will be cooking up burgers and hotdogs.

"They were all awesome. They've all done this before," Bauer said of the churches and their flocks. "This is all for the build volunteers, we want them to be taken care of."

"We will be using the Keizer Fire Department as our staging base," he added.

Lunches have been donated by Big Town Hero, Dominos, J.C.'s Pizzeria and Walery's Premium Pizza. Salem Electric and Rasmussen Spray Service are both sponsoring catered lunches

Breakfast donuts and cookies are being donated by Roth's Fresh Markets and breakfast sandwiches are being donated by McDonald's.

According to Bauer, Target

donated gift certificates which were used to purchase 90 cases of water and granola bars. Keizer Clearlake United Methodist Church donated 50 cases of water and 15 dozen cookies. NW Natural donated plates, napkins and plasticware for all five days.

To hear him tell it, Bauer is just the idea man, and deserves no credit for the work or effort put into serving the Big Toy builders. All he did was ask and people gave out of their hearts.

"All it takes is four great churches, great vendors and great volunteers," Bauer said.

Bark for Life June 20 at **Keizer Rapids**

Bark for Life, an event for dogs and their owners, will be held at Keizer Rapids Park on Saturday, June 20, to raise funds for the American Cancer Society.

The event, scheduled from 8 a.m. to noon, will feature a one mile/5K fun run/walk for dogs and their owners.

After the run/walk the day will feature demonstrations, a silent auction, a doggie fashion show, games and food. Past participants have dressed their dogs in costumes.

For information visit the Bark for Life web site at bflofsalemkeizer.com



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