

# School board renews contract for superintendent in 6-1 vote

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The Salem-Keizer School Board renewed Superintendent Christy Perry's contract at a meeting Tuesday, Dec. 11.

The new contract will end June 30, 2021. Director Sheronne Blasi noted that Perry did not ask for any pay increase beyond what is provided in the current contract.

The board's vote on her contract was 6-1. Paul Kylo, who cast the negative vote, said the district was "getting good results, not great results" for what it has been paying Perry. He said he would have voted for the extension if the vote had been taken in June.

In other action, a proposal for Salem-Keizer School District funds to help Howard Street Charter School move its building was postponed. The board will revisit the matter at its Jan. 15 board meeting.

Nine people spoke from the audience urging the funding. They argued that a move from the current location, near South Salem High School, would promote diversity in the charter school.

Director Marty Heyen moved to approve the funding, which is not a set

amount but would be determined by a formula. Paul Dakopolos, attorney for the school district, said that the district's current contract with HSCS will expire in 2022, so that a future board could be held to the contract.

Most of the board members expressed reservations about the proposal, largely because of concerns for district financial limitations.

Heyen amended her motion to provide a 15 percent increase for the remainder of the current contract. The board voted against the amended motion and scheduled further consideration of the issue for the January meeting.

The board also approved a resolution by the Oregon School Boards Association to adopt the legislative priorities and policies recommended by the OSBA legislative policy committee. It voted for the OSBA resolution to amend the bylaws to add a representative of the Oregon School Board Members of Color Caucus to the association's board.

A Keizer business and a Keizer organization were honored in the Spotlight on Success portion of the meeting. The Target store at Keizer Station was named Business Partner of the Month for donating

\$125 in gift cards for Keizer Elementary School to buy snacks for hungry students and \$500 in gift cards for the Emotional Growth Classroom at the school.

The West Keizer Neighborhood Association was named Community Partner of the Month for advocating sidewalk construction on Delight Street next to the school and for helping with landscaping around Cummings Elementary School.

Two Oregon Department of Education grants were approved. One for \$271,112 funds career and technical education programs in the high schools. McNary High School will receive \$13,116 for automotive mechanics technology, \$3,607 for business administration and management, \$3,279 for culinary arts, \$2,000 for cinematography and film, and \$2,000 for graphic design.

Personnel actions approved by the board included the following for the McNary attendance area:

- Temporary full-time contracts for Melissa Garcia at Keizer Elementary, Catherine Staatz-Martinez at Gubser Elementary, and Villasenor Ortiz at Kennedy Elementary.
- Resignation of Paul Goodwin from McNary.

## MONDAY, DEC. 3

8 a.m. - Vandalism in the 100 block of Shore Pointe Place N.  
12:40 p.m. - Arrest for criminal mischief, crime damage, burglary of a residence, and theft in the 4000 Harcourt Avenue NE.  
1:15 p.m. - Bicycle theft in the 6000 Ulali Drive NE.  
6:52 p.m. - Theft from motor vehicle and unlawful entry to vehicle with the intent to commit theft in the 5000 block of Shoreview Lane N.

## TUESDAY, DEC. 4

4:20 a.m. - Arrest on warrant in the 1000 block of Clearview Avenue NE.  
9:26 a.m. - Arrest on warrant in the 4000 block of River Road N.  
8 p.m. - Simple assault in the 2000 block of Rock Ledge Drive NE.  
8:42 p.m. - Criminal trespassing in the 3000 block of Quinaby Road NE.  
11 p.m. - Arrest on warrant in the 3000 block of Cherry Avenue NE.

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 5

9:23 p.m. - Arrest for violating a restraining order, interfering with a police officer and resisting arrest in the 800 block of Plymouth Drive NE.

## THURSDAY, DEC. 6

8 a.m. - Crime damage in the 3000 block of Cherry Avenue NE.  
6:02 p.m. - Burglary in the 5000 block of Lancers Court NE.  
11 p.m. - Burglary of a business in the 3000 block of River Road N.

## FRIDAY, DEC. 7

7 a.m. - Mail theft in the 500 block of Lakefair Place N.  
8:40 a.m. - Theft of motor vehicle in the 5000 block of Verda Lane.  
10:45 a.m. - Burglary of a residence in the 5000 block of Hasbrook Avenue NE.  
9:10 p.m. - Arrest on warrant at the intersection of Verda Lane NE and Keizer Road NE.  
11:30 p.m. - Arrest for unlawful possession of methamphetamine in the 900 block of Plymouth Drive NE.

## SATURDAY, DEC. 8

12:01 a.m. - Burglary of a business in the 1000 block of Susan Court NE.  
3:09 a.m. - Arrest on warrant in the 1000 block of Hunter Avenue N.  
3:15 a.m. - Assault in the 4000 block of 5th Place NE.  
2:46 p.m. - Identity theft in the 1000 block of Rushmore Ave. N.  
6:40 p.m. - Theft from motor vehicle in the 3000 block of Cherry Avenue NE.

## SUNDAY, DEC. 9

12:07 p.m. - Arrest on warrant at the intersection of Shoreline Drive N and Cummings Lane N.  
3:55 a.m. - Arrest on warrant in the 3000 block of River Road N.  
3:55 a.m. - Arrest for giving false information to a police officer in the 3000 block of River Road N.  
5:15 a.m. - Crime damage in the 3000 block of River Road N.  
7:30 p.m. - Fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer in the 6000 block of Ulali Drive NE.

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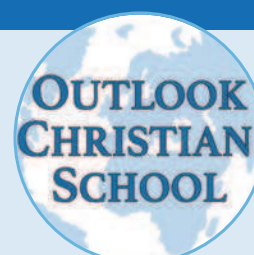
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