

School district board seeks to fill vacancy

Jefferson County School District 509-J School Board member Jamie Hurd has resigned her board position. Ms. Hurd has accepted a science teacher position at the Jefferson County Middle School. Her resignation from the board is effective July 31.

Ms. Hurd has served on the board for the past six years, first elected in 2017. "It's been the honor of my life to serve this district as a school board member," she said. "I feel like I've had a front-row seat to see the amazing work our teachers and staff do with our students on a daily basis."

Her decision to switch from the board work to teaching, "Is bitter-sweet but I am excited to take my passion for education to the next step and serve our families and students in a different capacity as a science teacher at the middle school."



Jamie Hurd

The school board is now working on finding a replacement to fill the upcoming vacancy.

There are two years remaining on a four-year term.

The district is opening the application process to fill the vacant position. Interested community members have until Friday, July 7

to apply.

Interested applicants must meet the following requirements to be considered:

Be a legally registered voter in Jefferson County, and a resident in 509-J boundary for at least one year. The applicant cannot be an employee of the district.

Board members will review the applications with the goal of naming a successor at the next school board meeting on Friday, July 14.

The board will officially appoint the individual filling the vacancy at the August board meeting. The individual will serve until June 30, 2025.

To apply, interested individuals can fill out the application materials. Those are posted on the district website on the home page. Individuals can also pick up a hard copy at the Student Support Building at 445 SE Buff St. in Madras.

School district summer meals program now serving

The 2023 Summer Food Service Meal Program of the Jefferson County School District 509-J is now serving meals at the Warm Springs Academy, and other schools of the district.

The Academy meals are served at the school from now through August 25. Note: there will be no service July 3-7 due to the holiday during the week).

Otherwise, the meals are Monday through Friday. Breakfast is 8:30 to 9 a.m.; and lunch from 12 noon to 12:30 p.m.

At the Bridges High School in Madras, meals are serviced Monday through Friday with breakfast from 7:30 to 8 a.m., and lunch from 11 to 11:30 a.m.

At the Madras High School,

meals are served Monday through Friday with breakfast from 8:45 to 9:15 a.m., and lunch from 11:50 a.m. to 12:20 p.m.

The meals are nutritious. Here are the conditions that apply:

All kids 18 and under eat free.

Adults are not allowed to eat any part of the child's meal. No adult meals are served.

All children must eat their meals on site.

Children are not allowed to take food out of the service area.

No outside food is allowed during meal service times; though parents can bring a meal to eat with their children.

Meals are only served during meal service times.

Summaries of Tribal Council

(The following are summaries of Tribal Council proceedings from May, as continued from the previous Spilyay, and into June.)

May 15

• Motion by Captain approving Joe, Carlos, Captain (tentative), Alvis (tentative), and Jonathan to attend the Legislative Commission on Indian Services Spring Celebration. Second by Jim. Question; Jim/yes, Joe/yes, Captain/yes, Jay/yes, Carlos/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Discussion of the Pi-Ume-Sha activities.

• Draft resolutions and letters with the S-T.

• Comments on information request regarding tribal gaming, discussion with tribal attorneys:

Motion by Captain approving this letter to the House Committee On Gambling Regulation, with corrections. Second by Carlos; Question; Jim/yes, Joe/yes, Captain/yes, Jay/yes, Carlos/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Chief Judge discussion with the S-T:

Executive session, 11:48-11:59 a.m.

Motion by Jim adopting Resolution No. 13,047, that Gayleen Adams be appointed as Chief Judge to a four-year term as noted, beginning May 15, 2023. Second by Carlos; Question; Jim/yes, Joe/yes, Captain/yes, Jay/yes, Carlos/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• The Museum at Warm Springs discussion with Elizabeth Woody:

Motion by Jim adopting Resolution No. 13,048: The Museum at Warm Springs is a priority, and hereby approves the preparation and submission of a grant application by the museum to the Spirit Mountain Community Fund Tribal Grant Program for \$100,000 for the purchase and installation of the Museum at Warm Springs heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning (HVAC) system and support for the 2024 Camp Naimuma (Warm Springs Culture Camp), as amended. Second by Carlos; Question; Jim/yes, Joe/abstain, Captain/yes, Jay/yes, Carlos/yes, 4/0/1, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Call for action for Resolution No. 13,049. Second call. Motion failed due to lack of a motion.

Jim explained this group of people listed is a very valuable group who can contribute to benefit the museum and would like this resolution reconsidered for action.

Motion by Captain adopting Resolution No. 13,049, that the following persons be reappointed to the board of directors of the Museum at Warm Springs with terms expiring June 1, 2026: James

Manion, Valerie Switzler, tribal members; Doug Goe, Lynn Johnson, Paul Dewey, Don Stastny, non members, as amended. Second by Carlos; Question; Jim/yes, Joe/yes, Captain/yes, Jay/yes, Carlos/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Non-Disclosure Agreements with the United States Department of State, discussion with Brent Hall and Jennifer Graham:

Motion by Jim adopting Resolution No. 13,050, that all Tribal Council members, tribal gish and wildlife attorney Brent H. Hall, and an employee of the Branch of Natural Resources may sign Non-Disclosure Agreements with the U.S. Department of State Department in the form attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A, as amended. Second by Joe; Question; Jim/yes, Joe/yes, Captain/yes, Jay/yes, Carlos/yes, 5/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Land purchases with Greta White Elk:

Motion by Jim adopting Resolution No. 13,051, (allotment 145-944) that the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO of the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon is hereby authorized to make payment to the Superintendent of the warm Springs Agency for the use and benefit of the owners upon approval of the conveyance instrument, with amendments. Second by Alvis; Question; Jim/yes, Joe/yes, Captain/yes, Jay/yes, Alvis/yes, Carlos/abstain, 5/0/1, Chairman

not voting. Motion carried.

Motion by Captain adopting Resolution No. 13,052, (allotment 145-947), that the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO of the Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon is hereby authorized to make payment to the Superintendent of the Warm Springs Agency for the use and benefit of the owners upon approval of the conveyance instrument, with amendments. Second by Alvis. Question; Jim/yes, Joe/yes, Captain/yes, Jay/yes, Alvis/yes, Carlos/yes, 6/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Enrollments with Lucille Suppach-Samson:

Resolution No. 13,055, enrolling five individuals. Second by Carlos. Question; Jim/yes, Joe/yes, Captain/yes, Jay/yes, Alvis/yes, Carlos/yes, 6/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

Indian Health Service update with Hyllis Dauphinais.

With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

June 12

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Raymond 'Captain' Moody. Roll call: James 'Jim' Manion, Chief Joseph Moses, Lincoln Jay Suppah, Alvis Smith III, Rosa Graybael, Chairman Jonathan W. Smith (via Zoom), Minnie Yahtin, Recorder.

• 2020 audit discussion with Shane Cox, Stauffer & Associates.

• Water treatment plant update discussion with Chico Holliday, Barry Buchanan and Ellen Grover:

Motion by Jim authorizing the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO to work with Indian Health Service to develop an IGA for use of the \$5

million in Community Grant funds for use to address the existing Dry Creek Water Treatment Plant primary treatment filtration system upgrades/replacement, and to submit a project application through the EPA Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program in the amount of up to \$1.25 million for the same. Second by Jonathan. Question: Jim/yes, Joe/yes, Jay/yes, Alvis/yes, Rosa/yes, Jonathan/yes, 6/0/0, Chairman not voting. Motion carried.

• Transfer station update with Chico.

• Prep meeting for Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife with tribal attorneys: Executive session, 12:00-1:20 p.m.

• Traditional food program/ OSU Extension discussion with Rosanna Sanders.

• Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife government-to-government discussion with Curt Melcher, state director.

• Tribal Council will meet on Wednesday morning to review requests for Pi-Ume-Sha.

• With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

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