

Banks School District accepts budget presented by superintendent

Unlike many school districts, where multiple meetings were held to discuss the budget, the Banks School District Budget Committee concluded its work in a single meeting, approving reductions as presented by Superintendent Marilyn McGlasson on June 2.

In her budget message, McGlasson said that the state's budget shortfall has forced the Banks district into a "position of staving off devastation." The budget was developed using two principles: First, to restore the appropriation levels of the original 2002-2003 district budget as adjusted for inflation, contractual obligations and State mandates and, second, using revenue projections based on a state school fund appropriation of \$4.9 billion.

The difference between the available revenue and the restored budget is a shortfall of \$818,000. McGlasson stressed that the inclusion of an item on the list of deletions or reductions should "in no way be interpreted as a lack of value or importance to the district."

The greatest single saving for the district - \$250,000 - resulted from net payroll savings due to retirements. Another major saving, \$175,000, resulted from reduction of debt service, because the district has paid back the emergency loan it received from the state a few years ago.

Additional adjustments included a \$75,000 decrease in the Contingency account and a 20 percent reduction in supplies at all sites, plus a 20 per-

cent reduction in activities and athletics.

No area was left untouched - personnel, maintenance, classrooms, support services, administration and transportation.

A public hearing on the budget was held June 16, the date of the regular school board meeting. No comments were received and the board unanimously approved the budget as presented.

In other business at the board meeting, Sue Bailey, representing Concil on International Exchange, presented the board with a plaque recognizing the district's support of Anna Antropova, an exchange student from Ukraine. Antropova was a participant in the Future Leaders Exchange Pro-

gram, which is sponsored by the U. S. State Department to bring high school students from the former Soviet Union to the United States to experience democracy first-hand. Antropova was hosted by Joan & Jerry Stevens and will remain with them while she attends Lewis and Clark College next year.

Ann Turner appealed to the board to "consider the individual child" and to reconsider the denial of an inter-district transfer for her daughter, Elise, who has won admission to the Beaverton School of Fine Arts. According to Turner, admission is an honor and students must meet high academic and performance standards. Elise

wishes to pursue a career in dance and would like to transfer since Banks does not offer a dance program. Board member Doug Nordholm thanked Turner for her presentation and told her that "her passion for her daughter's goals is appreciated." He said that she had provided a basis for reconsideration of the denial of transfer.

Banks woman is one of WOU graduates

Brandi Dawn William of Banks graduated June 14, with a B.S. in Public Policy and Administration from Western Oregon University in Monmouth. This was the university's 146th commencement ceremony.

Year-end academic honor roll names BHS students

The following Banks High School students were recognized for academic achievement for the second semester:

Freshmen: Adam Herb, Amanda Jurasek*, Amy Anderson*, Annie Schlegel*, Cortney Bartha, Dana Gieszler.

Emilee Booher, Eryn Cangi, Heather Hoyer, Holly McCann*, Jack McMillan, Josh Klein, Lawrence Hofer, Matt Miller.

Nick Daskalakis*, Rachel Moore*, Robena Gibson*, Sara Markham, Tiffany Gentzkow, Tracie Lundsten*.

Sophomores: Alex Polston, Alicia Colson*, Amanda Petti, Annie Wood, Bethany Lippert, Cole Duyck, Dennis Bartha.

Elizabeth Fishback*, Greta Bradford*, Hannah Williams, Jennifer Oakes*, Julianne Kalhar*, Kadie Maller.

Kelley Lindstrom*, Kristen Schmidlin*, Lacie Herinckx*, Laura Prince, Matt Vandehey, Michial Carr, Monica Herinckx.

Samantha Kitchen, Scott Sandoval, Tommy Bonin, Tyler Blok, Vanessa Hancock*.

Juniors: Alex Quinones, Amy Javorsky, Amy Zimmerman*, Andrea Harbin*, Anna Hays, Brooke Doner, Jaclyn Elsey.

Jeff Kutter, Jeremy Crawford, Justin Duyck, Kris Wood, Lynsey Douglas, Meghan Gobel, Michelle Haynes*.

Mitch Coussens, Molly Pe-

tersen*, Monica Coussens, Nadar Shirazi, Rachel Kuiper, Rachel Megdal-Clark, Roland Mair, Tyler Kueber*.

Seniors: Alison Petti*, Anna Shimer*, Ben Farley, Brandon Anderchuk, Brittney Vanwinkle, Cara Carr, Carolyn Murdoch.

Danielle Vandehey, Genny Howell, Hanna Antropova, Krista Donovan*, Kristen Sandage*, Lindsey Ellis.

Ludmilla Koch, Megan Jurasek*, Mory Herb, Nicole Nordholm, Rachel Partin*, Rachel Warkentin*.

Rebecca Wales*, Sarah Hordichok, Sierra Ford, Tracy Harrison*, Zac Cottam.

*denotes 4.00 Grade Point

Aristotle was asked, "What is the difference between an educated and an uneducated man?"

He replied, "The same difference as between being alive and being dead."

*Aristotle (384-322 B.C.E.)
Greek Philosopher*

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