PRESENT:

Committee Members:  Egrane Brown, Nathan Crater, Lori Lum, Parker McCarthy, Margene Ridout, Mark Truax, Mark Winstanley

Administration:  Justine Hill, Sheila Roley

Others:  Cary Bubenik, Mike Day, Dan Hess, Mitali Kulkarni

School Site Tour

The committee met with Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici and Weyerhauser representatives to tour the recently logged new school construction site.

Election of Officers

Superintendent Sheila Roley called for nominations for Committee Chair.

A motion nominating Egrane Brown as Chair was made by Margene Ridout and seconded by Mark Truax. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Egrane Brown called for nominations for Vice-chair.

A motion nominating Nathan Crater as Vice-chair was made by Parker McCarthy and seconded by Mark Truax. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

Monthly Report – Project Manager Mitali Kulkarni updated the committee on the progress of the GO Bond Project. She explained that the schematic design has been completed, and the timber harvest will be finished by the end of next week. Ms. Kulkarni reported they have been tracking the Oregon Seismic Rehabilitation Grant Bill which has passed the legislature but is pending Governor Kate Brown’s signature. The District is planning to apply for the up to 2.5 million dollar grant for seismic upgrades to Seaside Heights Elementary. The grant is available for upgrading existing schools only. She further explained that community outreach will become a priority as school resumes in September. The District’s website contains a link to the Project which will be continuously updated as the Project progresses, including photos from today’s site visit.

Planning Commission Update – Superintendent Roley explained that last week the team went to a public hearing before the Seaside Planning Commission regarding expanding the urban growth boundary for the new school. After hearing testimony from various members of the community, the Necanicum Watershed Council, and Greg Winterowd from Winterbrook Planning, there was unanimous agreement from the Planning Commission to recommend that the Seaside City Council approve the UGB application. The Seaside City Council may consider the application as early as their September 11, 2017 meeting.

Investment Report – Superintendent Roley explained that the report from Piper Jaffrey shows the bonds are doing well and are expected to earn approximately $2,500,000.00 in interest by the end of the project.
Discussions and Recommendations

There was discussion regarding the role of the Citizen Oversight Committee and Superintendent Roley explained that its purpose is to be accountable to a citizen group, expand community awareness and provide transparency to members of the community. The committee will also provide a quarterly report to the Seaside School District Board of Directors.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Sally Francis
Executive Assistant