



**Ocean View  
School District**

# Board Connections

January 17, 2019



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**Governance Team Handbook**

**Special Meeting Addresses Board  
of Trustees, Superintendent  
Collaboration, Operations; 'OVSD  
Blue Print' Draft Discussed**

*Photo: As part of a Board agenda item about the collaborative work between the Ocean View School District Board of Trustees and Superintendent, Board members discussed OVSD's Governance Team Handbook, which was developed as a guide for effective governance in OVSD as approved by the Board in January 2018.*

## **Special Meeting Provides Opportunity for Governance Team to Discuss Operational Practices**

The success of the Ocean View School District relies on strong and effective leadership of the Board of Trustees and the Superintendent. Together, OVSD's Board and Superintendent do important work on behalf of our students, staff, and community. Collaboration between the Board and Superintendent is essential to the success of our District. Due to the nature of this work together and Brown Act restrictions, there are limited opportunities for the entire Board of Trustees and Superintendent to engage in dialogue about how they are functioning as a governance team.

This agenda item provided an opportunity for the Board and Superintendent to review operational practices and collaborative practices together. Each Board member in attendance and Superintendent Carol Hansen engaged in an informative discussion on current operational practices, with reference to the Governance Team Handbook .

## **Stakeholder-Created 'OVSD Blue Print' Draft Unveiled for Discussion**

Strong, effective organizations have clear priorities and processes to clearly, regularly, and repeatedly communicate their priorities and core values to all people within and outside the organization. During the past year, key leaders in OVSD were brought together to discuss the development of an "OVSD Blue Print," a document that communicates, with clarity, OVSD's core values, overarching goals, and operational practices. Through open, small-group and large-group discussion, this team of leaders worked together to create consensus on the "OVSD Blue Print" document with the intent of using the document in marketing efforts and communication. The "OVSD Blue Print" may also be used during the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) stakeholder engagement process.

During the discussion, Superintendent Carol Hansen provided clarification regarding the points within the document and thanked all of the participants in the "OVSD Blue Print" focus group. The Board had the opportunity to provide input and direction to the Superintendent for next steps, such as formally adopting the "OVSD Blue Print" at the next regular meeting. It is recommended that the "OVSD Blue Print" replace the District's five-year Strategic Plan, which will expire this year.

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**Next Board Meeting: January 22, 2019**