

Unofficial Minutes Board of Directors Meeting December 13th, 2010

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors regular meeting of December 13th, 2010 held in the Irrigon Elementary School library in Irrigon, OR at 7:00 pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Kuhn, Barney Lindsay, Daniel Daltoso, Thad Killingbeck, Pat McNamee, Berto Hernandez & Craig Miles

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: n/a

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Burrows, Phyllis Danielson, Julie Ashbeck, Rhonda Lorenz, Dirk Dirksen, Craig Bensen, Mark Jones, Joel Chavez, Jacque Johnson, Matt Combe, John Sebastian, Daye Stone, Dave Melville, George Mendoza, Dave Melville

OTHERS PRESENT: MCEA – Marilyn Post; OSEA representation - none; ESD – Sarah Crane-Simpson; Patrons – n/a; Press

Call to Order

Chairman Barney Lindsay called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 pm in the library at Irrigon Elementary School in Irrigon, OR; a quorum was established; and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Changes/Additions/Deletions – none

Comments/Public

MCEA –Marilyn Post – no comment; OSEA – No representation; ESD – Sarah Crane-Simpson, wished everyone a Merry Christmas and then reported that the ODE merger team has met with the ESD board; also has updated the ESD website.

2.C. Consent Agenda

Motion:	On a motion by Bill Kuhn and a second by Pat McNamee the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.
A.	Approved minutes of the regular meeting and executive session meeting of November 8 th , 2010;
B.	Approved Financial Report
C.	Resignations: Brooke Barton, from her position as LA teacher at RHS; Matt Weseman, head wrestling coach at RJH;
D.	Retirements: Mark Burrows, from his position as superintendent, effective June 30, 2011; Rhonda Lorenz, from her position as business manager, effective February 28, 2011; Wendy Appleton, music teacher at SBE/WRE effective June 13, 2011.
E.	Employment: n/a
E.	Extra Duty Contracts: Blaine Ganvoa, asst boys basketball coach at IJH; Vern Gumbert, head girls basketball coach at RJH; Stuart Dick, asst girls basketball coach at IJSH; Paul Keefer, head girls basketball coach at RJH;
Ayes	Lindsay, Daltoso, Killingbeck, Kuhn, Miles, Daltoso, Hernandez
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

3.A Reports & Presentations

- **Retirements at the District Office:** Reported on the retirements at the district office and assured the public that the district is fiscally sound; has good leadership in the board, administration and staff; and that MCSD students are doing remarkably well.
- **Open Positions:** Reviewed the procedure for the three open positions, noting that the Asst Supt position has closed, and the Business Manager and Supt positions will close December 31st. Later in the meeting, the board will name screening committees for the positions.
- **School Funding:** Reported that for the first time in many months, the December forecast is up by 69.7 million – this is not so much a sign of economic recovery as it is a change in the way the state withholds payroll taxes. The next biennium will not be stable, and state economists are predicting slow growth. Schools will be funded at the same inadequate levels as in previous years.
- **Declining Enrollment In Heppner:** The number of school age students will be declining over the next decade. The newly appointed group brainstormed several ideas including getting some of the home school population back into the schools; the expanded use of technology; a presentation will be made at the next board meeting (1-11-11) on virtual schools – two way interactive classrooms.
- **Educator of the Year:** Reported that Colleen Cunningham was honored as Irrigon Educator of the Year.
- **IES School Report:** Laura Rowe and other IES teachers were present to report on a program called Response to Intervention that has been implemented at IES
- **Principal Reports:** maintenance issues around the district; ACH commented on the passage rates for the new cut scores; RHS student used the new elevator for the first time since it's installation last month.

Unfinished Business

- **Approve Cooperative Sponsorship for Spring Sports – Ione Charter School & Heppner High School**

Motion:	Craig Miles moved to approve the cooperative sponsorship for spring sports (golf, tennis, softball and baseball) between Heppner High School and Ione Community Charter School for 2010-11 and 2011-12 school years. Daniel Daltoso seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Daltoso, Kuhn, Killingbeck, McNamee, Miles, Hernandez
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

New Business

- **OSBA Resolution #1 – Membership, Dues & Assessments:**

Motion:	Thad Killingbeck made a motion to oppose OSBA Resolution #1 dealing with increases in membership, dues and assessments. Daniel Daltoso seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Daltoso, Kuhn, Killingbeck, McNamee, Miles, Hernandez
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

- **OSBA Resolution #2 – To Amend OSBA Constitution** (housekeeping change dealing with # of representatives). This makes the constitution match against the governance committee.

Motion:	Pat McNamee made a motion to accept OSBA Resolution #2. Craig Miles seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Daltoso, Kuhn, Killingbeck, McNamee, Miles, Hernandez
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

- **OSBA Resolution #3 – To Adopt the Proposed 2011 OSBA Legislative Policies & Priorities**

Motion:	Thad Killinebeck moved to support the proposed 2011 OSBA legislative policies and priorities as presented. Pat McNamee seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Daltoso, Kuhn, Killingbeck, McNamee, Miles, Hernandez
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

- **Named the Screening Committee for the Asst Superintendent Position**

Motion:	Daniel Daltoso moved the name the following people to the screening committee for the assistant superintendent position: Daye Stone, John Sebastian, Jacque Johnson, Julie Ashbeck, John Flaherty, Erin Stocker, Thad Killingbeck, Theresa Proctor-Reece and Rose Dirksen. Berto Hernandez seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Daltoso, Kuhn, Killingbeck, McNamee, Miles, Hernandez
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

New Business (Continued)

- **Named the Screening Committee for the Business Manager Position**

Motion:	Bill Kuhn moved the name the following people to the screening committee for the business manager position: Nancy Snider, LeAnn Wright, Cindy Turner, Dirk Dirksen, Matt Combe, Craig Miles, Julie Ashbeck, Craig Bensen and Linda Kenny. Thad Killingbeck seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Daltoso, Kuhn, Killingbeck, McNamee, Miles, Hernandez
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

- **Adopt the Budget Calendar for the 2011-12 Budget**

Motion:	On a motion by Craig Miles and a second by Pat McNamee, the 2011-12 Budget Calendar was adopted as presented.
Ayes	Lindsay, Daltoso, Kuhn, Killingbeck, McNamee, Miles, Hernandez
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

Chairman Lindsay read announcements; a work session was also set for 5:30 pm on Tuesday, January 11th for a presentation from Rinda Montgomery Conwell from North Central ESD on distance learning applications. The regular meeting was recessed at 7:55 pm. At 8:00 pm the meeting reconvened and immediately went into Executive Session under ORS 192.660(2)(b)(d)& ORS 332.061(1) – Personnel, Negotiations & Student Expulsions. At 8:28 executive session closed, the regular meeting reconvened and promptly adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Julie Ashbeck, Executive Secretary

Barney Lindsay, Chairman of the Board

Date Approved: _____