

Unofficial Minutes Board of Directors Meeting December 14, 2015

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors regular meeting of Monday, November 9, 2015 held at Irrigon Jr/Sr High School in Irrigon, OR at 7:00 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Killion, Becky Kindle, Thad Killingbeck, Richard Cole, Brian Kollman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Pratt, Barney Lindsay

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Dirk Dirksen, George Mendoza, Cheryl Costello, Beth O’Hanlon, Erika Patton, David Norton, Marie Shimer, Craig Bensen, Tracey Johnson, Matt Combe, Dieter Waite, Ryan Keefauver, Brandon Hammond; Sarah Kimmell

OTHERS PRESENT: as per roster

Call to Order:

Chairwoman Becky Kindle called the regular meeting to order in the Library at Heppner Jr/Sr High School at 6:59 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a quorum was established. A presentation from Jeannie Collins and the Heppner FBLA was added to the agenda.

Delegations: MCEA – None; OSEA – None.

Presentations:

Andrea Nelson – Chromebooks in the Classroom: Mrs. Nelson received a grant and used those funds to purchase 30 Chromebooks for her classroom. Andrea reached out to Mr. Palmer who has been using Chromebooks to find out more about Google Classroom. Students have settled in to the process and like not having to worry about bringing pencil/paper to class and are better organized. Parents have access and are able to monitor students work. Andrea is looking forward to working with other staff on the grant application and help them get started with Chromebooks in their classroom.

Andrea Nelson – Travel Request: Mrs. Nelson, Arts and Culture Advisor, requested permission to take a small group of high school students to Victoria Canada in June 2016 for an international travel experience. The board approved the travel request contingent upon information regarding insurance coverage.

Travel Request – Heppner Arts and Culture Club

Motion: Richard Cole made a motion to approve the Heppner Arts and Culture travel request. Mary Killion seconded the motion.

Ayes: Killion, Kindle, Cole, Killingbeck, Kollman

Noes: n/a

Motion Passed

Greg Grant – HJSHS Football: Mr. Grant introduced senior members of the Heppner Mustang State Championship Football Team. Mr. Dirksen and the board congratulated the team on a great season, for their display of sportsmanship and what a pleasure it was to watch them.

Beth Dickenson – Heppner FFA: FFA members presented a power point of highlights from their trip to the National FFA Convention in Louisville Kentucky. The Heppner FFA Chapter was named one of the top 10 chapters in Oregon. To round off their trip, students were excited to visit Mrs. Dickenson’s hometown in Ohio. While there, they visited her parents’ home and the high school she attended. Students thanked the board for their support and allowing them to attend the convention.

Jeannie Collins – Heppner FBLA: Mrs. Collins introduced FBLA members Taylor Hamby and Caitlynn Bailey who reported back to the board about their trip to the FBLA-Summer Competition. Although they did not win, the girls reported that the guest speaker was very good and the trip was an interesting and great experience. They thanked the board for their support. Mrs. Collins shared that the Oregon Chapter was complimented for their respectful behavior.

Jennika Grigsby – Early Graduation Request: Jennika, a junior at IJSHS requested permission to graduate in June 2016. She is on track and will have completed all requirements to graduate with the Class of 2016. Mr. Keefauver, Principal, IJSHS, spoke in support of the request. The board granted permission.

Early Graduation Request – Jennika Grigsby

Motion:	Brian Kollman made a motion to approve the request for early graduation. Thad Killingbeck seconded the motion.
Ayes:	Killion, Kindle, Cole, Killingbeck, Kollman
Noes:	n/a
Motion Passed	

2. Consent Agenda

Motion:	On a motion by Thad Killingbeck, and a second by Richard Cole, the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.
A. Approved minutes of the regular meeting of November 9, 2015;	
B. Approved Financial Report, Enrollment Report, Employment Action;	
C. 1 st Reading of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies: None;	
D. Adoption of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies: EFA, JFCF;	
E. Adoption of New, Revised or Rescinded AR’s: None;	
F. Credit Cards	
Ayes:	Killion, Kindle, Cole, Killingbeck, Kollman
Noes:	n/a
Motion Passed	

3. Reports & Presentations

- **ESSA/NCLB:** Mr. Dirksen discussed the future of the Every Student Succeeds Act and No Child Left Behind.
- **OSAA:** Beginning with the 2016/17 school year, IJSHS will be in the 3A League for 2 years. Burns will also come back into the league.
- **OSBA Conference:** School Safety was a big topic at the conference. Local agencies are moving forward with using the I Love U Guys protocol which is what MCSD has been using for several years.
- **Law Conference:** Social media was a topic at the conference with emphasize on educating our staff and students regarding the use of social media. Bullying/Harassment were also big topics with attention to making sure reports are always addressed.
- **Holidays:** Mr. Dirksen wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

Unfinished Business:

- **Budget Committee:** Mr. Cole has recruited Amy Mueller to fill position #3 on the Budget Committee.

Budget Committee Vacancy

Motion: Richard Cole made a motion to approve Amy Mueller to fill position #3 on the Budget Committee. Brian Kollman seconded the motion.

Ayes: Killion, Kindle, Cole, Killingbeck, Kollman

Noes: n/a

Motion Passed

- **OSBA Conference:** Mr. Killingbeck shared information on the sessions he attended at the OSBA Conference. The theme of the conference was the Oregon Promise and funding schools to the fullest extent.

New Business:

- **Superintendent Evaluation Process:** The board scheduled a work session January 11th to proceed with Mr. Dirksen’s evaluation.

Chairwoman Kindle read the announcements:

Christmas Break	December 18, 2015 – January 3, 2016
School Resumes	January 4, 2016
Next Board Meeting – Sam Boardman Elementary	January 11, 2016

Chairwoman Kindle adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Cheryl Costello, Board Secretary

Becky Kindle, Board Chair

Date Approved: _____