

**Unofficial Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting, June 14, 2021**

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors meeting on Monday, June 14, 2021 7:00 pm held at Morrow Education Center (guests via Zoom).

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Cole, Mary Killion, Barney Lindsay
Via Zoom – Andy Fletcher, Brian Kollman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Becky Kindle, Marcie Rodelo

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Dirk Dirksen, Cheryl Costello, Marie Shimer, Erin Stocker, Beth O’Hanlon, Patrick Kerrigan. Joining via Zoom - Matt Combe, David Norton, John Christy, Kyle Aurdahl, Jill Ledbetter, Stephanie Ewing, Kaira Rysdam

OTHERS PRESENT: as per roster

Call to Order:

Vice Chair Cole called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a quorum was established.

Delegations:

MCEA – None; OSEA – Bart Prouty.

Vice Chair Cole recessed the regular meeting at 7:01 p.m. and opened the 2021/22 budget hearing for comments. There were no comments, the hearing was closed at 7:02 p.m. and the regular meeting was convened.

Travel Request

Beth Dickenson, Katie Wilson, and Keeley Nairns with the Heppner FFA Chapter presented a slideshow and requested permission to travel to the 94th Annual FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis, Indiana October 27-30, 2021.

Travel Request – Heppner FFA

Motion: Barney Lindsay made a motion to approve the Heppner FFA travel request to attend the annual convention October 27-30, 2021 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Mary Killion seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cole, Fletcher, Killion, Kollman, Lindsay
Noes: n/a
Motion Passed

Consent Agenda

Motion: Barney Lindsay made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mary Killion seconded the motion.

- A. Approved minutes of the regular meeting of May 11, 2021;
- B. Approved Financial Report, District Enrollment, Employment Action and Fall Coaching Employment Action for 2021/22;
- C. 1st Reading of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies:
- D. Adoption of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies: CBA, IIBGA, JGA
- E. Adoption of New, Revised or Rescinded AR’s: IIBGA-AR
- F. 2021/22 Organizational Details;
- G. 2021/22 Substitute Teacher Pay - \$220.35 per day;
- H. Authorization of the County Treasurer to Invest District Funds;
- I. Committed Fund Balance;
- J. Food Service;
- K. Midco Bus 2021/22 Transportation Agreement

Ayes: Cole, Fletcher, Killion, Kollman, Lindsay
Noes: n/a
Motion Passed

Superintendent Report

- **End of the Year** – 157 seniors graduated. Our graduation rate should hold steady right at 90% or higher. Mr. Dirksen commended everyone for their efforts this school year to give students the best experience possible.
- **Summer Programs** - We are working with the Boardman Park and Rec, Willow Creek Water Park, 4-H, and the SAGE Center (STEAM activities) to provide students more hands-on activities and opportunities this summer to spend time with people and not be in isolation.
- **Summer School** – K-5 will be in August with secondary in June and August for credit completion.
- **Next School Year** – Planning on as normal a year as possible. Going back to the same start and end time for schools. Hope to not change any bus schedules. We will follow all COVID protocols as provided.
- **Board Appreciation** – Mr. Dirksen thanked Marcie Rodelo and Andy Fletcher for their years of service on the Board. Appreciate what you have given to MCSD students.

Unfinished Business

- **Bond Update – Heppner Elementary School**

The Bond committee is moving towards a K-12 campus in Heppner. Mr. Dirksen requested approval to pursue public interest to purchase HES.

Public Interest for the Purchase of Heppner Elementary School

Motion: Mary Killion made a motion to approve Mr. Dirksen pursuing public interest to purchase HES. Brian Kollman seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cole, Fletcher, Killion, Kollman

Noes: Lindsay

Motion Passed

- **Bond Update – 5-Year Tax Exemption**

The Board reviewed tax scenarios provided by Piper Sandler comparing rates (4 options). The district received information from the county assessor regarding an estimated \$310,600,000 of exempt value that will expire and become taxable and added to MCSD's assessed value.

5-Year Tax Exemption

Motion: Brian Kollman made a motion to approve using the 5-year tax exemption scenarios as the district moves forward in the bond process. Andy Fletcher seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cole, Fletcher, Killion, Kollman

Noes: Lindsay

Motion Passed

New Business

- **Resolution #2020-21-14 – Unanticipated Revenue**

- \$4,800 from Columbia River Technologies to ACH for Swim Lessons.
- \$5,000 from CTUIR-Wildhorse Foundation to ACH for Artist in Residence.
- \$2,000 from Douglas Boor to Heppner Students without Limits.
- \$5,000 from Oregon Community Foundation to RJSHS choir robes.
- \$200 from OEA Foundation to SBE for clothing for students.
- \$200 from Mid-Columbia Bus Co. to MCSD for library grants.

Resolution #2020-21-14 – Unanticipated Revenue

Motion: Barney Lindsay made a motion to approve the resolution for unanticipated revenue. Mary Killion seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cole, Fletcher, Killion, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **Ratification – Contracts/Agreements**
4% COLA and \$1625.00 insurance cap.

Ratification – Contracts/Agreements

Motion: Mary Killion made a motion to approve all contracts and agreements as presented. Barney Lindsay seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cole, Fletcher, Killion, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

- **Healthy and Safe Schools Plan** – The updated Healthy and Safe Schools Plan was presented to the Board for review.
- **Resolution #2021-22-01 – 2021/22 Budget**

Resolution #2021-22-01 – 2021/22 Budget

Motion: Mary Killion made a motion to adopt the budget for the fiscal school year 2021/22 in the amount of \$79,536,338 at a rate of \$4.0342 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Barney Lindsay seconded the motion.

Ayes: Cole, Fletcher, Killion, Kollman, Lindsay

Noes:

Motion Passed

Vice Chair Cole read the announcements:

- Summer School Schedule:
High School Credit Recovery: June 14th-30th and August 2nd-17th
K-8 Jumpstart / Summer Programs (includes incoming kindergarten students): August 2nd-17th
- Summer Food Program – Lunches available to all children June 14th – July 30th (Monday-Thursday) using pre-COVID route stops.
- Administrators Return – August 2, 2021
- 2021/22 Staff In-service – August 23-26, 2021
- Students Begin – August 30, 2021
- Next Board Meeting, Monday, August 9, 2021 – District Office/HES

Vice Chair Cole thanked outgoing Board members Marcie Rodelo and Andy Fletcher for their service and adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Cheryl Costello, Board Secretary

Board Representative

Date Approved: _____