

Unofficial Minutes Board of Directors Meeting June 14th, 2010

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors regular meeting of June 14th, 2010 held in the board room at the District Office in Lexington, OR at 7:00 pm

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Pat McNamee

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

OTHERS PRESENT: MCEA – Dieter Waite; OSEA – No representation; ESD – Cheri Rhinhart; Patrons – n/a; Press

Call to Order

Chairman Barney Lindsay called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the board room at the District Office in Lexington, OR; a quorum was established; and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Budget Hearing was opened at 7:00 pm. Business manager, Rhonda Lorenz reported on the Resolution to Amend the Budget. Reasons noted were changes in the GearUp grant expenditures; more cash for bonded debt. The Budget Hearing was recessed at 7:05 pm.

There was an addition under Reports/New Business - A group of students from IJSH were in attendance requesting that the board consider naming the IJSH softball field.

Under New Business – discussion about scheduling a board work session in August.

Comments/Public

- MCEA –Dieter Waite; OSEA – No representation; ESD – Cheri Rhinhart reported that the ESD merger is on track and is on the ODE consent agenda for approval. Public Forum – None

2.C. Consent Agenda

Motion: On a motion by Craig Miles and a second by Bill Kuhn the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

- A. Approved minutes of the regular meeting and executive session meeting of May 10th, 2010;
- B. Approved Financial Report
- C. Resignations/Retirements: Judy Brown, 3rd grade teacher at ACH; Christina Bettsworth, ed assistant at RHS; Kristen Caldwell, middle school LA at RHS; Michael Cates, PE teacher at SBE/WRE
- D. Employment: Leah Thompson, elementary teacher at SBE – increase from .5 FTE to 1.0 FTE replacing Alison Ogden
- E. Extra Duty Contracts: approved coaching and non-coaching contracts as submitted for 2010-11
- F. Approved attendance variances: Tyson Stocker, Bowen & Kelton Byers – from Hermiston SD to MCSD (renewals)
- G. Approved Annual Organizational Details for 2010-11
- H. Approved successor contract with Morrow County Rec District for 2010-11
- I. Approved 2010-11 substitute teacher pay rate at \$159.47
- J. Approved Resolution 2009-10-10 Authorizing the County Treasurer to Invest District Funds

Ayes Kuhn, Miles, Lindsay, Daltoso, Hernandez, Killingbeck

Noes n/a

Motion passed

3.A Reports & Presentations

- **IJSH Softball Field:** Students were present to request naming the IJSH softball field in memory of the late Ralph Dabling, who just recently passed away. Mr. Dabling was a huge supporter of IJSH softball as well as a bus driver for the district, and IJSH athletics. The board would like to see a plaque next to the field.

Motion:	Bill Kuhn moved to have the IJSH softball field named, the Ralph Dabling Memorial Softball Field. Daniel Daltoso seconded the motion.
Ayes	Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, Hernandez, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

- **School Finance:** Superintendent Burrows reported on school finance and the effects of the 9% cut across the board. All federal money to be given to states is still up in the air at this time. District has been frugal in financial planning and spending, and administrators are experts in doing more with less; employees have been supportive with no new contractual obligations.
- **QSCB:** Mr. Burrows reported that the district has been successful in procuring the 0% rate for the Riverside High School HVAC project.
- **MCEA Successor Agreement:** Morrow County Education Assn and the district have reached an agreement for a one year contract – ratification under New Business. The contract now has VEBA language for a medical spending account. The district was grateful and pleased at the professionalism of the teachers regarding their understanding of the dire financial outlook for school finance. There will be no staff cuts or reduced days in 2010-11, and programs will remain intact. Professional negotiators were a positive experience for both sides.
- **Preliminary Test Report:** Discussion was held on preliminary test results with questions about: support of 10th graders; MAPS tests; SpEd students; professional learning communities; progress monitoring; stronger intervention; higher math requirement.
- **Principal Reports:** awards assembly for kids meeting goals; summer school beginning 6-15-10.

Unfinished Business

- **Math & Science Textbook Adoption**

Motion:	Bill Kuhn moved to adopt the math and science textbooks as presented by Matthew Matz and Mark Jones. Dan Daltoso seconded the motion.
Ayes	Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, Hernandez, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

New Business

- **Ratified a One Year Contract with Morrow County Education Assn**

Motion:	Craig Miles made a motion to ratify the one year agreement with the Morrow County Education Association. Thad Killingbeck seconded the motion.
Ayes	Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, Hernandez, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

- **Policy IKF – Honors Diploma** – This policy revision was accepted as a first reading with action to be taken at the August meeting.
- **Policy JECB – Attendance Variances** – This was accepted as a first reading, however, the board requested to have language added for an appeal process to the board level. This will be prepared and presented in August.
- **Approved 2010-11 School Board Meeting Calendar**

Motion:	Craig Miles made a motion to adopt the 2010-11 school board meeting calendar as presented. Daniel Daltoso seconded the motion.
Ayes	Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, Hernandez, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

- **Approval of 2010-11 Budget**

Motion:	Bill Kuhn moved to adopt Resolutions 2009-10-11 to Amend the Budget; 2009-10-12 to Adopt the Budget; 2009-10-13 to Appropriate the Budget; and 2009-10-14 to Impose and Categorize Taxes. Daniel Daltoso seconded the motion.
Ayes	Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, Hernandez, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

- **Board Retreat/Work Session:** Discussion was held to plan a session to evaluate the superintendent; a self-evaluation of the board; and work on the 2010-11 board goals. It was suggested that a facilitator be brought in to work through the process. Barney, Craig and Thad volunteered to work on the retreat planning.

Chairman Lindsay recessed the regular meeting at 8:00 pm after reading the announcements. At 8:08 pm the meeting reconvened and immediately went into Executive Session under ORS 192.660(2)(a) – Personnel. At 8:12 the regular meeting reconvened and the following board members were selected to work with John Sebastian and Dirk Dirksen on a new agreement for the administrators: Bill Kuhn and Craig Miles. The meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Julie Ashbeck, Executive Secretary

Barney Lindsay, Chairman of the Board

Date Approved: _____