Unofficial Minutes Board of Directors Meeting

December 14th, 2009

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors regular meeting of December 14th, 2009 held in the library at Irrigon Elementary School in Irrigon, OR at 7:00 pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Kuhn, Barney Lindsay, Thad Killingbeck, Craig Miles, Pat

McNamee & Daniel Daltoso.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Berto Hernandez

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Burrows, Phyllis Danielson, Rhonda Lorenz, Julie Ashbeck,

Dirk Dirksen, Craig Bensen, Matthew Matz, Mark Jones, Joel Chavez, Jacque Johnson, Matt Combe, John Sebastian, Daye Stone

OTHERS PRESENT: MCEA – Marilyn Post; OSEA – No representation; ESD – No

representation; Patrons - Erin Iveson; Press

Call to Order

Chairman Barney Lindsay called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the library at Irrigon Elementary School in Irrigon, OR; a quorum was established; and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There was one addition under New Business – Discussion on Grading Policies

Comments/Public

MCEA – Marilyn Post inquired as to the reason that the Local Option Serial Levy was \$200,000 less than projected. Mr. Burrows reported that he has asked County Tax Assessor, Greg Sweek to be present at the January board meeting in Heppner to address this situation; Umatilla-Morrow ESD – no representation; Erin Iveson, ACH parent requested a meeting with board representation and administration to discuss OAKS testing and retention policies.

2.C. Consent Agenda

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

- A. Approved minutes of the regular meeting and executive session of November 9th, 2009;
- B. Approved Financial Report
- C. Resignations: Troy Morgan, asst baseball coach at HHS; Judy Woody, SpEd asst at RHS;
- D. Employment: Shelly Dunn, Title I ed asst at ACH;
- E. Extra Duty Contracts: Jessica Lehmann, head girls basketball coach at IJH; Andrew Timpy, asst boys basketball at IJH; Breena Tolar, asst girls basketball coach at IJH;
- F. Approve Attendance Variances: Jose & Mariana Jarrett & Xochitl Jiminez from Umatilla SD to MCSD; Kyle Fazendin from Hermiston SD to MCSD
- G. Accepted IJSH Surplus Items

Ayes Kuhn, Miles, Lindsay, Killingbeck, Daltoso, McNamee

Noes n/a Motion passed

3.A Reports & Presentations

- **District Newsletter:** Superintendent Burrows reported that the district newsletter will be sent out by the end of the week. Three newsletters will be prepared each year- the fall newsletter will focus on back to school; the second newsletter will be on AYP, School Report Cards and School Improvement; and the last one will be on community involvement. Watch for those in mailboxes soon.
- Umatilla Army Depot Land: Reported that with the army decommissioning the Umatilla army depot, public agencies are the first in line to acquire land. Maintenance Director, Matt Combe is working on an application to procure 30-40 acres for use as a Land Lab for north end FFA students and possibly a future school site.
- **Ballot Measures 66 & 67:** Mr. Burrows made a presentation on Ballot Measures 66 & 67 the two bills to increase taxation and what it will mean to the district. There is a personal income tax increase affecting single taxpayers making over \$125K or couples making over \$250K. Additionally, there is also the Corporate Income Tax increase. A repeal of these measures could mean a loss in revenue to MCSD of \$430/ADMw or roughly \$1.25 million = 18 work days or 20 teachers.
- National FFA Convention Report: Irrigon FFA teacher, Lenn Greer and students Ashley Anderson, Emerson Bevington and Samantha Egge reported on the National FFA Convention. The students had a wonderful time and made an entertaining power point with pictures. Casey McClure earned his American Degree at the National Convention.
- **IES Reading Program Report**: Ellen Hendergart, Irrigon Educator of the Year and IES library tech, made a presentation on the protocol for registration in the IES reading program. She spoke of individual reading goals, teacher/student recognition and support, and rewards. She also presented a comparison with another district school with the same demographics.
- OSBA Fall Convention Highlights: Attendees at the OSBA Fall Convention reported on highlights: how
 teachers effectively use data; long-term fiscal and physical planning; grading policies; connection between
 teacher morale and student learning; contract negotiations; student participation and test scores; creative
 teaching techniques.
- **Principal Reports**: AMAO's were defined by Mr. Chavez; SBE After School Program; Request to produce hard copies of the Principal Reports for board meetings.

Unfinished Business

Appointment of Budget Committee for Position #7 – Hernandez: Due to the absence of Mr. Hernandez, this agenda item was tabled until the January meeting.

New Business

Approved Resolution 2009-10-02 to Accept \$3000 Grant for IES Music Dept.

Motion: Daniel Daltoso moved to approve Resolution 2009-10-02 to Accept a \$3000 Grant from the Muzak Heart & Soul

Foundation for the IES music program. Bill Kuhn seconded the motion

Ayes Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, McNamee, Killingbeck

Noes n/a

Motion passed

OSBA Slate of Officers

Motion: Craig Miles moved to vote against the OSBA Slate of Officers as presented. Daniel Daltoso seconded the

motion. [Concern was voiced that there was no choice of candidates].

Ayes Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, McNamee, Killingbeck

Noes n/a Motion passed

Voting by ESDs and Community Colleges

Motion: Bill Kuhn moved to approve the OSBA Resolution regarding Voting by ESDs and Community Colleges. Dan

Daltoso seconded the motion.

Ayes Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, McNamee, Killingbeck

Noes n/a

Motion passed

Establish Finance Committee to OSBA Constitution

Motion: Craig Miles made a motion to approve the OSBA Resolution to Establish a Finance Committee to the OSBA

Constitution. Pat McNamee seconded the motion.

Ayes Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, McNamee, Killingbeck

Noes n/a

Motion passed

Election of OSBA Officers

Motion: Thad Killingbeck moved to vote against the Resolution on the Election of OSBA Officers: Daniel Daltoso

seconded the motion.

Ayes Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, McNamee, Killingbeck

Noes n/a

Motion passed

New Business (Continued)

New OSBA Board of Director Positions

Motion: Craig Miles made a motion to vote against the new OSBA Board of Directors Positions as presented. Thad

Killingbeck seconded the motion.

Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, McNamee, Killingbeck Ayes

Noes

Motion passed

Accept the 2008-09 Audit

Daniel Daltoso made a motion to accept the 2008-09 MCSD Audit as prepared by the Oster Professional Group. Motion:

Pat McNamee seconded the motion.

Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, McNamee, Killingbeck Ayes

Noes

Motion passed

Resolution 2009-10-03 Supporting Ballot Measures 66 & 67

Motion: Following a factual presentation from the superintendent and with much discussion both for and against these

Ballot Measures among the board, Bill Kuhn moved to support Ballot Measures 66 & 67. Daniel Daltoso

seconded the motion.

Kuhn, Daltoso, Killingbeck Ayes Noes Miles, Lindsay, McNamee

Motion failed

Selection of Bargaining Teams for Upcoming Negotiations

Classified: Thad Killingbeck and Bill Kuhn - with Barney Lindsay as alternate

Licensed: Barney Lindsay, Pat McNamee, and Berto Hernandez - with Dan Daltoso as alternate

Resolution Supporting the Acquisition of Land for Use as a Land Lab

Motion: Daniel Daltoso moved to approve Resolution 2009-10-04 to Support the Acquisition of Land from the Umatilla

Army Depot for use as a land lab. Craig Miles seconded the motion

Ayes Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, McNamee, Killingbeck

Noes n/a

Motion passed

Grading Policies: Mr. Miles asked that this topic be put on the agenda to begin discussion of a review of our grading policies. A committee of Craig Miles, Mark Burrows and Phyllis Danielson will work on this, before a full board work session, which will be held sometime in February.

Continued

After reading the announcements, Chairman Lindsay recessed the regular meeting at 9:05 pm.

At 9:15 pm Chairman Lindsay called Executive Session to order under ORS 192.660(2)(b) – Personnel. At 9:30 pm Executive Session concluded, the regular meeting reconvened and the following action was taken to adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn		
Motion:	Dan Daltoso moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:3	30 pm. Bill Kuhn seconded the motion.
Ayes	Kuhn, Lindsay, Daltoso, Miles, McNamee, Killingbeck	
Noes	n/a	
Motion passed		
Respectfully submitted:		
Julie Ashbeck,	, Executive Secretary Ba	arney Lindsay, Chairman of the Board