

Unofficial Minutes

Budget Hearing & Board of Directors Meeting

June 13, 2011

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors regular meeting of June 13th, 2011 held in the board room at the District Office in Lexington, OR at 7:00 pm.

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: n/a

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Press

Call to Order

Chairman Lindsay called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the board room at the District Office in Lexington on Monday, June 13th. Madison Combe sang the National Anthem; a quorum was established and the regular meeting was recessed to enter into the Budget Hearing at approximately 7:05 pm. Business Manager, Andy Fletcher reported that since the original budget was recommended to the board the first of May, new accounting rules had gone into effect – GASB 54 - this new legislation changes elements of the fund balance and clarifies definitions of special revenue funds. (i.e., PERS account; Oregon stimulus). The Budget hearing recessed at 7:08 pm and the regular meeting proceeded.

Additions/Changes/Deletions to Agenda – Berto Hernandez requested that under new business Summer School Options be discussed – mainly regarding 7th grade students taking 8th grade classes.

Comments/Public

MCEA –Marilyn Post – sent best wishes to outgoing board members and administrators; OSEA – extended thanks to outgoing board members; ESD – Sarah Crane-Simpson reported that the ESD is offering a wealth of trainings for area teachers to take advantage of this summer. Patrons – n/a.

2. Consent Agenda

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

- A. Approved minutes of the regular meeting; & executive session meeting of May 9th, 2011;
- B. Approved Financial Report
- C. Resignations: Maribel Jimenez, counselor at RHS; Carolyn Rhinhart, SpEd at WRE; Joleen Odens, assistant custodian at RHS; Stuart Dick, assistant girls basketball coach at IJSH; Chelsie Bonifer, ed assistant at SBE
- D. Transfers: Sonia Sanchez, from CDS at WRE & SBE, to school counselor at RHS
- E. Employment: Sarah Poff, music teacher at WRE & SBE; Kristen Anderson, LA teacher at RHS; Jolene Stensland, LA teacher at HHS; Jessica Ramirez, middle school science at LA at IJSH; Molly Blatz, science at IJSH; Pam Norton, half-time Title I at IES
- F. Approve Extra Duty Coaching Contracts for 2011-12
- G. Approve Non-Coaching Extra Duty Contracts for 2011-12
- H. Approve Annual Organizational Details for 2011-12
- I. Approve Successor Contract for the Morrow County Unified Rec District for 2011-12

2. Consent Agenda (continued)

- J. Approved 2011-12 Substitute Teachers Pay Rate at \$162.25
- K. Approved Resolution 2010-11-10 Authorizing the County Treasurer to Invest District Funds
- L. Approved Resolution 2010-11 to Adjust Funds
- M. Approved Resolution 2010-11-12 to Accept Unanticipated Revenue – Gear-Up

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

Noes: n/a

Motion Passed

3. Reports & Presentations

- **RHS Assistant Principal:** Superintendent Burrows introduced Marie Shimer, the new assistant principal for Riverside High School. Ms. Shimer comes to us from Nyssa and is very excited to be with MCSD. They will be moving to Boardman in July.
- **Board Workshop:** Reported that OSBA and the ESD are joining forces to put on a Board Members workshop at the ESD on August 17th. This is for both new and veteran boards. More information will be forthcoming – it will be an afternoon and evening event.
- **Graduation 2011:** Reported that MCSD graduated 142 seniors from our high school and the Morrow Education Center this year. There was nearly \$800K awarded in scholarships.
- **SB800:** SB800 recently passed which gets rid of duplicate reports that have to be done annually – CIP, etc.
- **Kitzhauber Projects:** Kitzhauber projects: a maintenance project that weatherizes schools and makes them more efficient, puts local contractors to work and gets money back into the budget. The state has hired energy auditors and a couple schools have been visited. We thought that this money was in the form of a grant – apparently it is low rate loans. Matt will look into this and report next fall; how much will it cost, the cost of the loan and whether or not the district would save money. It is not a free program.
- **Oregon Investment Board:** Reported on the Oregon Investment Board – governor wants to do away with the state board of education and replace all with a single board from Pre-K through graduate school. He wants to replace the elected Supt of Public Instruction with an appointed educator that would be in charge.
- **ESD “Opt Out”:** Also the ESD “opt out” was discussed, which under this plan if a district did not want to be part of the ESD, we would receive no services, but would be allowed to get a share of the ESD money. Large districts may benefit from this plan – but it is doubtful that small or even medium size schools would benefit from this approach.
- **All Day Kindergarten:** Mandated all-day kindergarten: this is something that the district has provided for nearly 20 years, but have only been paid for half-day kindergarten. If this should pass, we would be paid at full days, the same as our other students.
- **MCSD Exceptional Schools:** Matt Combe and Daye Stone were both in attendance to receive recognition for their schools on being named Exceptional Schools by the Oregon Department of Education. The schools each received a plaque in recognition of this honor.

- **Food Service Report:** : Andy Fletcher reported that he recently went to each school to meet personally with the food service staff and to discuss the overall costs associated with the food service program, noting that for many years the program has not been self-sufficient, needing transfers from the general fund in order to break even. The staff had several good ideas and recommendations for their operations – the district will look at reducing hours or transferring staff to another site, to bring each school more in line on their meals per labor hour. They will also look at the consolidation of kitchens in the future.
- **Student Achievement Coordinator:** : Mr. Dirksen reported that he has been to each school explaining the position that was recently posted for the student achievement coordinator. He noted that after his explanation of the position and the need to work at keeping our at-risk students in school, they agreed that the position is needed and one that could pay for itself by salvaging lost ADM should these students drop-out. The board discussed the number of days for the position – the consensus was to implement the position at 260 days.
- **Principal Reports:** ESL District Improvement Plan; Report on AP programs in August;

Unfinished Business – None at this time.

New Business

Ratify Successor Contract with Morrow County Education Association

Craig Miles moved, seconded by Thad Killingbeck to ratify the successor contract with Morrow County Education Association for three years, with annual re-openers for salary and insurance cap and two articles per entity.

Ayes: Daltoso, Kuhn, Miles, Lindsay, Hernandez, McNamee, Killingbeck
 Noes: n/a
 Motion Passed

Ratify OSEA Salary & Insurance Adjustment

Bill Kuhn made a motion to ratify the OSEA Salary and Insurance Cap Adjustment as per OSEA re-opener language for 2011-12. Daniel Daltoso seconded the motion.

Ayes: Daltoso, Kuhn, Miles, Lindsay, Hernandez, McNamee, Killingbeck
 Noes: n/a
 Motion Passed

Board Meeting Calendar for 2011-12

Craig Miles moved, seconded by Daniel Daltoso to adopt the 2011-12 board meeting calendar as presented.

Ayes: Daltoso, Kuhn, Miles, Lindsay, Hernandez, McNamee, Killingbeck
 Noes: n/a
 Motion Passed

Budget Hearing Reconvened

At 8:10 pm, Chairman Lindsay recessed the regular meeting and reconvened the Budget Hearing to see whether or not there were any further questions from the public before the board took action. At 8:12 pm, the Budget Hearing closed and the regular meeting reconvened with the following action being taken:

Adoption of 2011-12 Morrow County School District Budget

Thad Killingbeck made a motion to Approve Resolution 2010-11-13 Adopting the 2011-12 Budget in the total amount of \$29,587,303; making appropriations as presented in the resolution; imposing the tax at a rate of \$4.0342 per \$1000 of assessed value for operations; and categorized the tax. Pat McNamee seconded the motion.

Ayes: Daltoso, Kuhn, Miles, Lindsay, Hernandez, McNamee, Killingbeck
Noes: n/a
Motion Passed

Canvassed the 2011 District Election

Daniel Daltoso moved to canvass the 2011 District Election as certified by the County Clerk. Thad Killingbeck seconded the motion. New/Returning Board Members to serve a 4 year term ending June 30, 2015: Bill Kuhn; Brian Kollman; Becky Kindle; Tony Navarro. Also approved the elimination of the local school committees (Community Education Committees).

Ayes: Daltoso, Kuhn, Miles, Lindsay, Hernandez, McNamee, Killingbeck
Noes: n/a
Motion Passed

Approved the 1st Reading of policy IGAI – Human Sexuality

Tabled the adoption of My Future, My Choice curriculum until a future meeting.

Approved the 1st Reading of EFAA – District Nutrition & Food Services as a first reading. The only changes in this policy are the legal reference changes by federal legislation. The associated administrative regulation will go with this policy in August. At this time, the policy is out with the principals and Chartwells for their input.

Increase in Meal Prices for 2011-12

Pat McNamee moved to increase meal prices by 10 cents as required by the government. Daniel Daltoso seconded the motion.

Ayes: Daltoso, Kuhn, Miles, Lindsay, Hernandez, McNamee, Killingbeck
Noes: n/a
Motion Passed

New Business Continued

Summer School: Board member, Hernandez inquired about 7th grade students being able to take 8th grade courses during summer school. Mr. Dirksen reported that he had done that a time or two with Odysseyware in regard to subject matter. He reported that parents have called the school to find out what is required, hours, etc...but then the students never show up.

Chairman Lindsay read announcements and the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm for cake and refreshments thanking our board members and saying good-bye to our administrators.

Respectfully submitted:

Julie Ashbeck, Board Secretary

Barney Lindsay, Chairman of the Board

Date Approved:_____