

Unofficial Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
March 10, 2008

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors regular meeting of March 10th, 2008 held in the library at AC Houghton Elementary School in Irrigon, OR

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig Miles, Daniel Daltoso, Bill Kuhn, Nancy Vander Does, Barney Lindsay, and Pat McNamee

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Berto Hernandez

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

OTHERS PRESENT: MCEA – Marilyn Post; OSEA – No representation; ESD – Eric Volger; Patrons – Barb Huwe

Call to Order

Chairman Craig Miles called the regular board meeting to order at 7:04 pm in the library at AC Houghton Elementary School in Irrigon, OR; a quorum was established; and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Irrigon CEC met at 6:30 pm with the topic of discussion biodegradable food service products. Irrigon CEC is to bring a proposal back to the board in April.

Barb Huwe: Mrs. Huwe was concerned about the lack of tables at Irrigon Jr/Sr High School, stating that they always needed to be borrowed from other sources for events. She inquired as to where they all went, and if there was money budgeted to purchase tables for next year.

2.C. Consent Agenda - The consent agenda was approved as presented.

Motion:	On a motion by Bill Kuhn and a second by Pat McNamee, the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.
A.	Approved minutes of regular meeting of February 12 th ; Executive Session minutes of February 12 th , 2008
B.	Approved Financial Report
C.	Resignations/Retirements: Kathy Hyder, retiring from her position as head cook at SBE; Jan Coe, retiring from her position as assistant cook at HES; Lola Davidson, retiring from her position as assistant cook at SBE
D.	Employment: Joyce Hensley, .5 FTE SpEd one-on-one assistant at ACH
E.	Extra Duty Contracts: Brian Bigham, head track coach at IJH; David Baker, head track coach at IHS; Troy Morgan, assistant baseball coach at HHS; Wendy Cannin, head track coach at HJH
F.	Approved attendance variance to accept Lillie, Courtney, Nathan and Kalene Wheeler to MCSD from the Hermiston SD; Released Matriny Mejia to attend school in the Hermiston School District.
G.	Renewed and/or extended the employment of licensed staff for the 2008-09 year.
Ayes	Miles, McNamee, Kuhn, Vander Does, Daltoso, Lindsay
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

3.A Reports & Presentations – Superintendent & Board

- **Bal-A-Vis-X Presentation:** ACH teachers, Jill Wright and Bob Carson, along with Staci McQuain, Laurie Ellis, and two ACH students did an informative presentation on Bal-A-Vis-X. Also, arrangements are being made to bring a trainer to the district this fall.

3.A Reports & Presentations – Superintendent & Board

- Superintendent Burrows reported on the successful Title I audit recently completed by ODE, noting that there were only 9 audit exceptions and they were minor. He stated that in a district our size there usually are 20-22 items that need correction. ODE praised the efforts of the administration, staff and students. Assistant superintendent, Phyllis Danielson was commended.
- Mark Jones, Matt Combe and Dirk Dirksen have been selected to work with University of PA to develop a tool for evaluating building level administrators. The three were chosen at random, and will each receive \$1000 for their respective schools for their participation in the survey and research.
- Reported on the successful state wrestling tournament where Riverside High School placed 10th in the state.
- Mr. Burrows noted that policy is being presented tonite dealing with cell phone usage, cyberbullying, etc., noting that with new technology also comes new challenges for school administration.
- Reported that Chris Davis has arranged for Senator Ron Wyden to visit Irrigon High School. He will be there on Monday, March 17th at 1:15 for an assembly.
- Discussed the upcoming Town Hall Meetings, noting dates, times and locations and how to get the information out to the district patrons.

4. Unfinished Business - Approval of Special Education Policies

Motion:	Nancy Vander Does moved to accept as a 2 nd reading and adopt the revisions to various Special Education policies. Dan Daltoso seconded the motion.
Ayes	Miles, McNamee, Kuhn, Vander Does, Daltoso, Lindsay
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

5. New Business

- **First Reading – Various Policies:** Accepted the following policies and administrative regulations as a first reading: JECBD – Homeless Students; IGBC – Title I Parental Involvement; GBNA/JFCF – Hazing/Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying/Menacing; GBNAA/JFCFA – Cyberbullying; JFCEB – Personal Communication Devices. Action to be taken in April.

Announcements

Chairman Miles read the announcements then recessed the meeting at 8:25 pm. At 8:35 pm Executive Session was called to order under ORS 192.660(1)(f)(h) & ORS 332.061 to discuss personnel and legal issues, as well as hear about a student expulsion. At 9:25pm, Chairman Miles closed executive session and immediately adjourned the regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

Julie Ashbeck, Executive Secretary

Craig Miles, Chairman of the Board

Date Approved:_____