

**Unofficial Minutes**  
**Work Session & Board of Directors Meeting**  
**January 9, 2012**

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors work session and regular meeting of January 9, 2012 held in the library at Heppner Elementary School in Heppner, OR at 7:00 pm.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Barney Lindsay, Becky Kindle, Tony Navarro, Berto Hernandez, Bill Kuhn, Thad Killingbeck, Brian Kollman

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** n/a

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dirk Dirksen, Julie Ashbeck, Andy Fletcher, George Mendoza, Mark Jones, Joel Chavez, John Sebastian, Robert Elizondo, Craig Bensen, Jacque Johnson, Matt Combe, Daye Stone and Matt Matz.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Press

**Call to Order**

Chairman Thad Killingbeck opened the work session at 5:30 pm with dinner being served by the HES Parent Teacher Club in recognition of Board Member Appreciation Month. Following dinner, the board worked on the preliminary notes for Superintendent Dirksen's annual evaluation. The work session closed at 6:55 pm. At 7:00 pm, Mr. Killingbeck called the regular meeting to order at Heppner Elementary School in Heppner, OR. The pledge of allegiance was recited; and a quorum was established.

**Additions/Changes/Deletions to Agenda** – Added FFA Report to Agenda – *FFA National Convention*

**Public Comments**

**Delegations:** Representing MCEA (Paul Beagle) – extended appreciations to the board and presented boxes of candy in recognition of School Board Recognition Month; OSEA – no representation; ESD – Michael Lasher who will present on the Local Service Plans later in the meeting. Patrons – n/a

**2. Consent Agenda**

Motion: On a motion by Bill Kuhn and a second by Becky Kindle, the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

- A. Approved minutes of the regular meeting; & executive session meeting of December 12, 2011;
- B. Approved Financial Report
- C. Resignations: n/a
- D. Retirements; n/a
- E. Extra Duty Resignations: Scott Coe, assistant baseball coach at HHS; Robin Graff, head football coach at RHS
- F. Employment: n/a
- G.

Ayes: Navarro, Lindsay, Kindle, Hernandez, Kuhn, Kollman, Kuhn

Noes: n/a

Motion Passed

### **3. Reports & Presentations**

- SHAC – School Health Advisory Committee training has been scheduled for January 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6-8 pm, at the District Office. Brad Victor, from ODE will be present for the facilitation and training for the creation of the committee. We are personally inviting all that were at the last meeting in August, and an invitation will be in the paper. From that group there will be two committees created – one for Ione School District and one for MCSD. Mr. Victor will meet with the teachers earlier that day to review the results of the mapping and alignment of the current curriculum.
- GearUp Coordinator - the job has been posted with interviews set for 1-27-12. This coordinator is for IJSH and RHS, and is geared toward college readiness for all students. A GearUp presentation will be made at the February meeting at RHS.
- Refinancing PERS Bond – the district will know for sure 1-12-12 regarding the refinancing, and what the interest rate at the time of the bond sale will mean to MCSD interest savings over the next 7 years.
- Requested setting a work session for budget preparation discussion and the district financial picture moving into 2012-13 & beyond.
- Local Option Serial Levy – we are moving ahead in preparations for the election in May. A plan and timetable will be presented at the next meeting. The last levy was for 3 years. The recommendation for the replacement levy would be for 5 years.
- Vehicle replacement - We have bought 2 Ford Focus's and are looking at 2 more and a 3<sup>rd</sup> vehicle, a Dodge Caravan for transportation. Without district vehicles, we are paying mileage – the vehicles pay for themselves in about 2-3 years. The 3 Taurus's have all had blown head gaskets within the past 6 months. – they are too costly to fix.
- Computer Purchases – we have surveyed staff regarding computer replacement and needs; some computers are 5-7 years old.
- Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Jones have organized a presenter for an anti-bullying workshop. Trudy Ludwick will be presenting February 2<sup>nd</sup> with 3 assemblies during the day. There will be an evening presentation at 6 pm for parents and the public. The district has good follow-up with the county through Community Counseling, and Kim Lindsay and Tiah Sanderson-Devin.
- Open Enrollment: Districts need to designate (by March 1<sup>st</sup>) how many students they will accept when Open Enrollment goes into effect for 2012-13. Districts in the IM-ESD consortium are maintaining their “zero” enrollment level, without the paperwork for an attendance variance. The board asked that in the Variance Report, we also include students for Ione and Arlington.
- HES Outstanding School – Board Chairman Killingbeck presented HES principal, and Mrs. Coiner with a certificate for being designated an Outstanding School by ODE for the 2010-11 school year. They will be presented with a plaque for their school.
- School Board Recognition: Superintendent Dirksen read the proclamation from the governor honoring the dedication of the school board members. The district presented each board member with a gift certificate in appreciation for their many hours of service.
- Mrs. Coiner, HES SpEd teacher and a student gave a presentation on SuccessMaker – a tutorial for students that has been quite successful in gaining growth for reading and math. George Mendoza presented information from the district perspective on this program.
- FFA Report – two Heppner High School students were present to report on the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis last Oct. The students and Mr. Stone publicly thanked Mrs. Dickenson for her hard work in making this event possible.
- Local Service Plans - Michael Lasher, from the ESD was present to report on the local service plans – continuation of the same services as in years past. He spoke of the purpose, mission and goals; then went into historical data of expenditures and revenues, and noted that 90% of the services from the ESD go to local school districts. He reported that they are still on track with Eastern Promise for spring term 2012 to begin courses between school districts and colleges.

**Unfinished Business.**

Recommendation for the Budget Committee – Bill Kuhn recommendation to the Budget Committee

Bill Kuhn moved, seconded by Barney Lindsay to appoint Melissa Lindsay to the Budget Committee for the term ending 6/30/12.

Ayes: Hernandez, Navarro, Kuhn, Lindsay, Kindle, Kollman, Killingbeck  
Noes: n/a  
Motion Passed

**Adoption of IIABB – Use of Feature Films/Videos**

Becky Kindle made a motion to adopt policy IIABB – Use of Feature Films/Videos. The motion was seconded by Brian Kollman.

Ayes: Hernandez, Navarro, Kuhn, Lindsay, Kindle, Killingbeck, Kollman  
Noes: n/a  
Motion Passed

**Adoption of Revision to BCE – Temporary & Standing Committees**

Barney Lindsay made a motion to adopt the revision to BCE – Temporary & Standing Committees. The motion was seconded by Berto Hernandez.

Ayes: Hernandez, Navarro, Kuhn, Lindsay, Kindle, Killingbeck, Kollman  
Noes: n/a  
Motion Passed

**PERS Bond Refinance** – No action was necessary on this topic-that was taken at the December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting. Only required a review by the board as to the PERS bond refinancing paperwork, and signatures that the board had received, read and understands the issue. All board members were present, and all signed in support of the process.

**New Business**

**Adoption of IIABB-AR & Form – Use of Feature Films/Videos**

Bill Kuhn made a motion to adopt policy IIABB-AR & Form – Use of Feature Films/Videos. The motion was seconded by Becky Kindle.

Ayes: Hernandez, Navarro, Kuhn, Lindsay, Kindle, Killingbeck, Kollman  
Noes: n/a  
Motion Passed

**New Business (Continued)**

**Adoption to Rescind BCE AR 1&2 – Temporary & Standing Committees**

On a motion by Brian Kollman and a second by Becky Kindle, the board moved to rescind policy BCE-AR 1 and 2 related to Temporary & Standing Committees.

Ayes: Hernandez, Navarro, Kuhn, Lindsay, Kindle, Killingbeck, Kollman  
Noes: n/a  
Motion Passed

**Named Bargaining Teams for the Licensed and Classified Negotiations:**

**Licensed:** Bill Kuhn, Becky Kindle with Barney Lindsay as alternate – Daye Stone for the administrators

**Classified:** Thad Killingbeck; Barney Lindsay with Brian Kollman as alternate; Joel Chavez for the administrator representative.

**Announcements:** Chairman Killingbeck read the following announcements:

- End of First Semester January 11, 2012
- Teacher Inservice/Work Days January 12-13, 2012
- Martin Luther King Day – HOLIDAY January 16, 2012
- Next Board Meeting, Riverside High School, 7 pm February 13, 2012

There being no further business to come before the board, Bill Kuhn moved, and Brian Kollman seconded to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous to adjourn. The meeting concluded at 8:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

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Julie Ashbeck, Board Secretary

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Thad Killingbeck, Chairman of the Board

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

