

# Unofficial Minutes

## Board of Directors Meeting

### October 10, 2016

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors regular meeting of Monday, October 10, 2016 held at A.C. Houghton Elementary School in Irrigon, OR at 7:00 pm.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Becky Kindle, Mark Pratt, Mary Killion, Brian Kollman, Barney Lindsay, Richard Cole, Thad Killingbeck

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dirk Dirksen, George Mendoza, Cheryl Costello, Erin Stocker, Erika Patton, Beth O'Hanlon, Tracey Johnson, Marie Shimer, Matt Combe, Ryan Keefauver, Sarah Kimmell, Craig Bensen

**OTHERS PRESENT:** as per roster

#### **Call to Order:**

Chairwoman Becky Kindle called the regular meeting to order at A.C. Houghton Elementary at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a quorum was established. There were no additions/deletions to the agenda.

**Delegations:** MCEA – None; OSEA – Kathie Goad.

#### **Presentations:**

**ACH Music Program** – Mrs. Johnson introduced Mrs. Evanoff - ACH Music Teacher. Mrs. Evanoff explained what her focus in music is at this time: Grades K-1 are working on steady beat, pitch matching and movement; Grades 2-3 are working on music basics, instruments and notes; Grades 4,5,6 are learning to apply basics to instruments, folk dance and movement, history (composures and modern day artists). Mrs. Evanoff has started a keyboarding program through the use of box top funds. Students showcased some of what they are learning through a dance.

#### **Consent Agenda**

Motion: On a motion by Barney Lindsay, and a second by Richard Cole, the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

- A. Approved minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2016 and work session of August 15, 2016;
- B. Approved Financial Report, Enrollment Report, Employment Action;
- C. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies: GCPD;
- D. Adoption of Rescinded, New or Revised Policies: None;
- E. Adoption of New, Revised or Rescinded AR's: None;

Ayes: Kindle, Kollman, Pratt, Killion, Cole, Lindsay, Killingbeck

Noes: n/a

Motion Passed

#### **Reports**

- **Professional Development** - Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, Steve Ventura presented to licensed staff on the topic of Student Engagement. Mr. Dirksen received positive feedback from staff regarding ideas and concepts they can take back and utilize in their classroom.
- **OSBA Fall Regional Meeting** - A highlight of the meeting was discussion around amending the constitution to require the legislature to provide adequate funding to meet the Quality Education Model. Results from the Oregon Rising survey were shared with 10,894 surveys completed, 97% of Oregonians believe a good education is "Very Important" to the success of Oregon kids and 94% believe it is "Very Important" to the future of Oregon. Survey results show priorities for improvement to be: #1 More and better supported teachers/staff in order to reduce class sizes and provide the individual support students need. #2 More program offerings so that students receive a well-rounded education that includes electives, athletics and art. #3 Up-to-date resources for learning, including technology and curriculum. #4 More instruction time for students. #5 Support for physical and mental health, including meals, counseling and safe buildings.

- **IMESD Regional Board Tour** – IMESD will hold a Regional Board Tour, October 18th with visits to Lone SD (ESD Services), Heppner Elementary (Early Learning Services), Riverside Jr/Sr High School (Pathways to Success) and Irrigon Jr/Sr High School (Pathways to Success).
- **Safety Training** – October 13<sup>th</sup> Safety Officers and district representatives will meet to review final plans. October 14<sup>th</sup> John Michael Keys (I Luv U Guys) will hold two presentations (9:00-11:00 am and 1:00-3:00 pm) in the BMCC Theatre.
- **Mid-Columbia Bus** – Midco Bus Company continues to be short on drivers. The district continues to support and promote their recruitment efforts and asks that you let anyone who might be interested in driving bus to contact Midco Bus Company.

**Unfinished Business:**

- **OSBA Annual Convention** – The OSBA Annual Convention is November 10-13, 2016 in Portland. Becky, Brian and Thad will be attending.
- **Healthy and Safe Schools Plan** – The final draft is complete and will be sent to the state. The district has taken a proactive approach and has been testing water and radon levels ahead of required deadlines.

**New Business:**

- **November Board Meeting** - The Board meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2016 which is the districts observance of Veteran’s Day. Board members will check their calendars and consider moving the meeting to Tuesday, November 15, 2016. If the meeting is moved, a notice will be placed in the newspaper.

Chairwoman Kindle read the announcements:

- End of Quarter 1 – October 27, 2016
- Parent/Teacher Conferences – November 3-4, 2016
- OSBA 2016 Annual Convention – November 10-13, 2016, Portland
- Veteran’s Day Holiday Observed – No School – November 14, 2016
- Next Board Meeting, November 14, 2016, Windy River Elementary

Chairwoman Kindle adjourned the meeting at 7:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cheryl Costello, Board Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Becky Kindle, Board Chair

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

**October 10, 2016**

**Page 2**