

Unofficial Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
May 12th, 2008

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors regular meeting of May 12th, 2008 held in the library at Irrigon High School in Irrigon, OR

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Craig Miles, Daniel Daltoso, Bill Kuhn, Nancy Vander Does, Berto Hernandez and Pat McNamee

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Barney Lindsay

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

OTHERS PRESENT:

MCEA – Marilyn Post; OSEA – No representation; ESD – No representation; Patrons – Wendy Appleton – music program

Call to Order

Chairman Craig Miles called the regular board meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the library at Irrigon High School in Irrigon, OR; a quorum was established; and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Reduction in Programs – Wendy Appleton, SBE music teacher was in attendance to report on her concern that the district will be offering less music in the elementary schools.

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

Motion:	On a motion by Nancy Vander Does and a second by Daniel Daltoso the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.
A.	Approved minutes of regular meeting of April 14, 2008; Executive Session minutes of April 14 th , 2008; and Executive session and special meeting minutes of April 24, 2008; Budget Committee meeting of May 5, 2008
B.	Approved Financial Report
C.	Resignations/Retirements: Shirley Donovan, assistant cook at SBE; Chris Davis, Irrigon HS principal; Johanna Davis, counselor at IHS; Maribel Torres, counselor at SBE; Marianne Smith, art and social studies teacher at HHS; Petra Payne, from her position as TAG coordinator at HHS; Jessica Campbell, from her elementary teaching position at SBE;
D.	Employment: None at this time.
E.	Extra Duty Contracts: None at this time
F.	Approved attendance variances for: Idet, Cesar & Itzel Estrada to go to Umatilla SD from MCSD for the remainder of the 2007-08 school year; Hayden Bigham to attend school in MCSD from Hermiston SD for the 2008-09 school year
G.	Re-hired classified and confidential staff for 2008-09 as presented.
Ayes	Miles, McNamee, Kuhn, Vander Does, Daltoso, Hernandez
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

3.A Reports & Presentations – Superintendent & Board

- **Crystal Apple Awards:** Superintendent Burrows reported on this year's Crystal Apple Award winners: for the licensed – Gary Hunt and John Flaherty; and for the classified staff – Janet Wilson and Tommy Coffelt. The award banquet will be held Wednesday, May 14th at the ESD. These folks were nominated by their peers.

3.A Reports & Presentations – Superintendent & Board

- **New Graduation Requirements:** Dirk Dirksen, Chris Davis and Daye Stone reported on the new graduation requirements from the state for 2012. The new standard requires additional coursework as well as new requirements – essential skills and proficiencies. The main changes come in the fine arts, second language and CTE courses. Any math class lower than Algebra I will not be counted toward graduation credit. Additional science credits will be lab-based. Basically ODE took everything they liked in the CAM requirement and put it into the new graduation requirements. More information will be forthcoming, as it becomes available.
- **IHS Trip to Spain:** Cody Booth, Spanish teacher at Irrigon High School, along with some of his students were on hand to present a request for a trip to Spain and Morocco during spring break 2009. The board approved this request.

Motion:	Nancy Vander Does made a motion to allow some Irrigon High School students to travel to Spain and Morocco next spring break. Berto Hernandez seconded the motion.
Ayes	Miles, McNamee, Kuhn, Vander Does, Daltoso, Hernandez
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

- **Health Textbook Adoption:** David Melville reported on the progress of the Health Textbook Adoption Committee as well as the textbooks that are being recommended for adoption. The books have been made available for the last two meetings for review by the public. The board will take action on adoption at the June meeting.
- **Career Exploration Report:** Laura Aviles, from Morrow County Juvenile Department reported on a Career Exploration program that has been established for students from the Morrow Education Center. Several students were in attendance to voice their support of this program and to let the board know what a difference this program has made in their lives. This program introduces kids to educational materials and provides guidance and mentoring as they enter into the workforce. They learn about financial aid for college, scholarship research and writing, career compatibility and job shadowing.
- **Every 15 Minutes:** Irrigon High School assistant principal, Craig Bensen gave a slide show presentation on a nationwide program named, “Every 15 Minutes”. With help from the police and fire departments, including life flight out of the Tri-Cities, the realistic presentation of what happens when you drive under the influence of intoxicants sent a very powerful message to students, staff and community members.

4. Unfinished Business

Motion:	Bill Kuhn made a motion to adopt administrative regulation GBNA/JFCF-AR <u>Hazing/Harassment Intimidation/Bullying/Menacing Complaint Procedures</u> and GBNAA/JFCFA <u>Cyberbullying</u> as modified. Daniel Daltoso seconded the motion.
Ayes	Miles, McNamee, Kuhn, Vander Does, Daltoso, Hernandez
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

5. **New Business**

- **Irrigon High School Principal Screening Committee.** The committee is as follows: Pat McNamee, Mark Burrows, Phyllis Danielson, Julie Ashbeck, Barb Huwe, Dan Young, Sarah Miller and Wanda Dixon. Dirk Dirksen and John Sebastian will also serve on this committee. Interviews will be scheduled within the next couple of weeks.
- **Board Representatives for Graduation 2008:** Daniel Daltoso for Morrow Education Center; Pat McNamee for Irrigon High School; Nancy Vander Does for Heppner High School; and, Berto Hernandez for Riverside High School.

Announcements

Chairman Miles read the announcements then recessed the meeting at 8:26pm. At 8:35 pm Executive Session was called to order under ORS 192.660(1)(f)(h) to discuss personnel and legal issues. At 8:40 pm, 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: _____