

**Unofficial Minutes**  
**Morrow County School District**  
**Work Session**  
**January 16, 2006**

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These are minutes of a work session of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors held on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2006 in Room 13 at Heppner Elementary School in Heppner, OR.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Craig Miles, Bill Kuhn, Ken Matlack, Barney Lindsay, Berto Hernandez, Nancy Vander Does, Pat McNamee

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

n/a

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mark Burrows, Rhonda Lorenz, Julie Ashbeck, Wade Smith and principals.

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Betsy Miller-Jones (OSBA) and Patrick Struthers

**Call to Order**

The work session was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman, Craig Miles; and a quorum was established. The purpose of the work session was to discuss the results of the OSBA Survey recently sent out to board members and selected administrators and central office staff. This is the beginning phase of the Bridges project that the district is involved with along with Echo School District and Pilot Rock School District.

Ms. Miller-Jones passed out each person's survey that participated, then began the explanation of how they were scored. She said that actually the participants were fairly close in how administration views the board role, as well as how the board views their own role in the district matters.

From the discussion five items came forth:

- Focus on Planning – Policy Re-evaluation
- Community – Rely on Facts & Collaborative Decision Making
- Community Engagement
- Board: Individual Board Members vs. Whole Board – “Team Building”
- Board – Recognize Achievement

Community meetings will be the next activity that will be planned. Mr. Miles and Mr. Burrows will begin preparation for those meetings in the near future, and will likely be held the end of February and first part of March. Chairman Miles thanked Betsy for coming to Morrow County and adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m..

Respectfully submitted:

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Julie Ashbeck  
Board Secretary

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Craig Miles  
Board Chairman

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