

Unofficial Minutes
Work Session & Board of Directors Meeting
April 11, 2011

These are minutes of the Morrow County School District Board of Directors regular meeting of April 11th, 2011 held in the library at Riverside High School in Boardman, OR at 7:00 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Kuhn, Barney Lindsay, Pat McNamee, Berto Hernandez, Dan Daltoso, Thad Killingbeck & Craig Miles

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: n/a

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Burrows, Julie Ashbeck, Andy Fletcher, Dirk Dirksen, Craig Bensen, Mark Jones, Jacque Johnson, Matt Combe, John Sebastian, George Mendoza, Phyllis Danielson.

OTHERS PRESENT: MCEA – Marilyn Post & Paul Beagle; OSEA – No representation; ESD – Sarah Crane-Simpson; Patrons – n/a; Press

Call to Order

Chairman Lindsay called the work session to order at 6:00 pm at RHS. Topics that were discussed were relating to the district budget; increasing PERS costs; loss of stimulus funds; loss of serial levy funds. Many scenarios were brought up including staffing ratios, number of days; changing policy on hiring retired personnel; trimming back on maintenance and supplies. The work session concluded at 6:50 pm..

Chairman Barney Lindsay called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 pm in the library at Riverside High School in Boardman, OR; a quorum was established; and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Additions/Corrections/Deletions: Under New Business, the hiring of assistant principal of RHS was added. [Marie Shimer]

Comments/Public

MCEA –Marilyn Post & Paul Beagle; OSEA – no representation; ESD – Sarah Crane-Simpson who spoke on the ESD merger – it will be final in May and will be known as the Intermountain ESD; Patrons – n/a.

2.C. Consent Agenda

Motion:	On a motion by Craig Miles and a second by Daniel Daltoso the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.
A.	Approved minutes of the regular meeting; executive session meeting of March 14 th , 2011;
B.	Approved Financial Report
C.	Resignations: Maribel Jimenez, .5 FTE rally advisor at RHS; Dirk Dirksen, head girls basketball coach at RHS; Heather Miller, science teacher at IJSH;
D.	Retirements: Wanda Dixon, from her ed assistant position at IJSH; Ray Couchman, assistant custodian at ACH; Renee Couchman, asst cook at IJSH; Toni Witt, kindergarten teacher at ACH;
E.	Employment: Emily Holden, temporary Vo-Ag teacher at HHS, replacing Beth Dickenson who is on leave
Ayes	Lindsay, McNamee, Hernandez, Kuhn, Miles, Daltoso, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

3.A Reports & Presentations

- **Budget:** Superintendent Burrows reported the \$5.7 billion budget passed out of ways and means with a “do pass” recommendation; some people are asking for more, but he believes that this will be the number for education, which will be a couple hundred million less than last session.
- **State Superintendent:** The senate passed and moved to the house, for the State Superintendent to be appointed by the governor, rather than elected by the governor.
- **ESD Reform Bill:** The ESD Reform bill has moved out of Committee to Ways and Means – there are several bills involving ESDs – this is the one that cuts the ESD share of SSF revenue and does away with locally elected boards. We cannot support this bill and would not get the expert service that we currently have from our ESD.
- **SB800:** SB800 has made it through committee and is in the full senate – there would be no more mandates to deliver certain educational programs/curriculum without first presenting an economic impact study.
- **New Phone System:** over spring break we had new phones installed - we have had some difficulties, but are confident that the bugs will be worked out soon.
- **SpEd Teacher at MEC:** with federal stimulus money we have hired a part time SpEd teacher for MEC. We have hired Gena Wade under this special grant.
- **Irrigon Parks & Rec Grant:** – John Sebastian presented a report to the board that he has been working on with the Irrigon Marina and Park, This grant would construct an RV park on the riverfront and proceeds from the park would go to Irrigon youth enrichment and mentoring programs and summer activities during the month of July. Mr. Sebastian was looking for a \$5000 donation from the board. The board felt they needed more information, so Mr. Sebastian will be sending info to each board member.
- **RHS Presentation on HVAC:** Mitch Crowe from Absolute Engineering was in attendance to make a power point presentation outlining the process for the large retrofit of the RHS HVAC system, from start to finish.
- **Principal Reports:** : Gear-Up Fund for students to save for college – Mr. Bensen explained how this program works.

Unfinished Business

- Adoption of Policy GCBE – Employee Attendance

Motion:	Craig Miles made a motion to accept as a 3 rd reading and adopt policy GCBE – <u>Employee Attendance</u> . Pat McNamee seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Hernandez, Kuhn, McNamee, Miles, Daltoso, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

Unfinished Business (Continued)

- **Adoption of 2011-12 School District Calendar**

Motion:	Craig Miles made a motion to adopt Calendar Option A, which was the overwhelming choice of the staff, as the new district calendar for 2011-12. Dan Daltoso seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Hernandez, Kuhn, McNamee, Miles, Daltoso, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

New Business

- **Textbook Adoption for World Languages**

Motion:	Bill Kuhn moved to approve the textbook adoption as recommended by the committee for world languages. Dan Daltoso seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Hernandez, Kuhn, McNamee, Miles, Daltoso, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

- **Hire RHS Principal**

Motion:	Dan Daltoso made a motion to hire Robert Elizondo as the successor to Dirk Dirksen as the new principal at Riverside High School. Berto Hernandez seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Hernandez, Kuhn, McNamee, Miles, Daltoso, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

- **Hire RHS Assistant Principal**

Motion:	Bill Kuhn moved to hire Marie Shimer as assistant principal, replacing George Mendoza. Thad Killingbeck seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Hernandez, Kuhn, McNamee, Miles, Daltoso, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

New Business (Continued)

- **Budget Committee Appointment**

Motion:	Bill Kuhn recommended to the board that they appoint Brian Kollman to fill the remainder of the term on the Budget Committee vacated by Andrea Fletcher. Thad Killingbeck seconded the motion.
Ayes	Lindsay, Kuhn, McNamee, Miles, Hernandez, Daltoso, Killingbeck
Noes	n/a
Motion passed	

Chairman Lindsay read announcements and the regular meeting was recessed at 8:18 pm. At 8:26 pm the meeting reconvened and immediately went into Executive Session under ORS 192.660(2)(b)(d) Personnel and Negotiations. At 9:05 pm executive session closed, the regular meeting reconvened and was immediately adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Julie Ashbeck, Board Secretary

Barney Lindsay, Chairman of the Board

Date Approved: _____