

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Monday, December 21, 2009 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Vice President, Rod Cole. Present: Rod Cole, Frank Fox, Denise McBride, Bob Pasch, Kari Rojas and Ed VanAvery. Terry Hutchinson was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Kari Rojas seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the agenda with the addition of Item F under New Business Coaching Recommendations, and delete the action on Item C. RTTT Memo of Understanding under New Business. Motion carried 6/0.

Jessi Spry thanked the Board for their support to FFA and had fruit and nuts for everyone to enjoy.

Motion by Frank Fox, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 16, 2009. Motion carried 6/0.

Kari Rojas had no correspondence. Mr. Chilman reported that Beal City High School has been awarded the Bronze Medal for excellence. Mr. Chilman thanked Brenda Rau and her aides for researching all the Valedictorians and Salutatorians that have come from Beal City Public Schools. A plaque acknowledging all of these class leaders will be displayed in the front lobby. Bill also talked about the School Equity Caucus newsletter that was sent home in an update.

Mr. Chilman reported for the District School Improvement Committee. They discussed the future of the Preschool Program. They received an update on the School Budget. Diane Saltarelli reported on the new Elementary Discipline Plan. They discussed topics for the January District School Improvement Committee Meeting.

Ed VanAvery reported for the Transportation Committee. John presented information on either leasing a bus or purchasing a used bus. We have the opportunity to buy a used bus that is in very good shape and will save the district approximately \$30,000.00 from purchasing a new bus. The committee is recommending that we purchase a used bus after July 1, 2010 from our Capital Projects Fund.

Jerry Ward reported that things are rolling along. Jerry attended training on SPLASH which is curriculum on a Healthy Life Style. Lessons for this curriculum will begin in January. Jerry is expecting that his spring count will be close to the same numbers as his fall count. He filed paperwork with the state to have his students tested with the public school kids this spring.

Marci reported that the Health Inspector was here and we passed with no violations. January 8th Elvis will be in the lunch room. Marci passed out some of the results she received from a recent student survey.

Diane Saltarelli reported that December 11th was Santa's Secret Shop. The Holiday Program was cancelled due to a family illness of Mrs. Sharrar. Mrs. Saltarelli thanked Jason Lowe and the Jazz Band for performing Christmas Carols in the lunch room last Friday. They really enjoyed it. Dick Stokes will be here December 22nd to do an East African Presentation for the elementary students. January 15th is the end of the second semester. The benefit spaghetti dinner raised over \$15,000.00 for Claire Block and her family. Many thanks goes out to Tracy Natzel, the many donors and workers who helped put this all together, and the community for their support for such a worthy cause.

Julie Freeze reported that the Governor has put a hold on the proration cut at this time. Today was a very good money day as Special Ed Scenario 6 money and tax money came in.

Jeff Jackson reported that Nicole Garrett won the Morey Foundation Poster Contest and the school will receive \$5,000.00 for the winning entry. TV5 was here last week to showcase our school as a Cool School. Staff members were trained at a staff meeting last week on Data For Student Success. The Student Data File for the MEAP Test results are available.

Terry Hutchinson arrived at 7:35 p.m.

Joe Judge gave a presentation on what kinds of Technology Updates we have been or will be installing in the classrooms. All of these updates are being funded through tribal grants or Federal ARRA Idea Special Ed. Grants.

Aarron Butkovich reported that all of the fall team banquets are completed. He reviewed the team numbers for the Winter sports. The problem with the MHSAA and the t-shirts at the football state finals has been resolved with no fines being issued.

Mr. Chilman reported that January is School Board Recognition Month. Bill thanked the administrators for their hard work that is leading to the success in our students both athletically and academically. Mr. Chilman also reported that the Holiday Open House was a huge success.

Terry Hutchinson read the financial report

Motion by Frank Fox, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the General Fund payments of \$285,936.30, Hot Lunch payments of \$12,559.33, Athletic Fund payments of \$27,788.52. Motion carried 7/0.

Bill told the Board that the Donor Board for the Beal City Area Education Foundation will be completed soon. He also discussed future fundraising plans.

Bill reminded the Board that the next Board Workshop will be January 11th at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the Credit Card Adjustment Resolution to increase the school's Credit Card Limit from \$5,000 to \$10,000.00. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Terry Hutchinson, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the purchase of a used bus from our Capital Projects Account after July 1, 2010. Motion carried 7/0.

Bill discussed the Race To The Top Memo and legislation that is going along with this program.

Bill reminded the Board that the Organizational meeting is at 6:30 on January 18, 2010. The regular board meeting will follow.

Bill let the Board know that they will be honored at a basketball game during the month of January. Bill will get with Aarron to discuss a date and Board members will be introduced at half time. Cake and punch will be in the Media Center for them and their families after the halftime presentation.

Motion by Kari Rojas, seconded by Terry Hutchinson to approve the following coaching recommendations as presented: Chelsea Hall – Voluntary Assistant Cheer Coach, and Maggie Oldenburg – Dance Coach. Motion carried 7/0.

Motion by Frank Fox, seconded by Kari Rojas to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion carried 7/0.

Recording Secretary
Carrie Bleise

Terry Hutchinson, President

Kari Rojas, Secretary