

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Monday, February 16, 2009 7:00 p.m.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Frank Fox, seconded by Rod Cole to approve the agenda with no additions or deletions. Motion carried 6/0.

Recognition of Guests – Cindy Schumacher.

Motion by Bob Pasch, seconded by Rod Cole to approve the Organizational Meeting Minutes of January 12, 2009 and the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 12, 2009. Motion carried 6/0.

Rod Cole reported for the District School Improvement Committee. They discussed some positives and negatives about the district, and they focused on advertising and public relations. They reviewed the Comping Out Policy that will be added with the next Neola Policy's for approval.

Bob Pasch reported for the Business and Finance Committee. They reviewed the proposed Budget Amendments. They were updated on the EFunds program. They discussed non-union wages for the 2009-10 school year. They reviewed the driver's ed proposal, and they also discussed the quotes from Set Seg.

Marci Faber reported that last Thursday they celebrated Valentine's Day in the Cafeteria, and on March 2 they will celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday as well as March – Reading Month. Prizes will be handed out to students who show good character. National School Breakfast week is March 2 – 6th. They have worked out the bugs for feeding the participants in the tutoring program. Marci is working on her Commodity Order for next year. They will be using a 4 week menu cycle.

Diane Saltarelli thanked Marci for working with her on the Good Character Awards with the elementary students. They have plenty of activities planned for March – Reading Month. The Attorney General is sponsoring a Parent/Student presentation called CSI Michigan that explains Cyber Safety. The elementary Education Yes report is completed and has been forwarded to Mr. Chilman for submittal. There have been some preschool licensing glitches. This year we need to fill out a report on the Continuance Improvement Monitoring Cycle for Special Ed. This report has to be filled out every three years.

Aarron Butkovich reported that the 8 man football league is close to being approved. They would like to host a tournament in 2010. The Beal City Athletic Assoc met last week. They discussed using the money that was donated by the Fred Straus and Matt Sharrar Memorials to get a trophy case for our State and Runner Up Trophies. The BCAA will be sponsoring Freshman Basketball and Volleyball and will give a donation to the basketball programs to purchase a shooter machine. We will be hosting the girl's basketball districts the week of March 9th. The boy's districts will be at Michigan Lutheran Seminary the same week. Spring sports practices begin March 9th, and the spring schedules are 95% complete.

Jeff Jackson reported on the Comping Out program and how a student must pass the test with at least an 80% in order to get credit for the class. Testing will take place the Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after graduation. The ACT/MME tests will be given March 10, 11, 12th. The lockdown drill last Thursday went very well. The Education Yes report is due tomorrow and Mr. Chilman has both the Elementary and the Secondary's report to send in tomorrow. The Talent Show will be held at the

Broadway Theater on Wednesday at 7:00. Megan McBride will be performing a comedy routine, and Amy Finnerty and Karly Schafer will be dancing to a song that Alisha Chamberlain will be singing. Megan McBride was honored today as our Rotary Student of the Month. We have preliminary MEAP test results, but they cannot be shared because they have been embargoed.

Joe reported that the USF Fund reporting is in progress. USF funds should save the district approximately \$8,000.00 next year. Joe will be attending a workshop on Voc. Ed. reporting. Tribal grants will need to be submitted the end of March. The projection system that we ordered through a Tribal Grant for Julie Christensen's room has been installed and is working great.

Bill Chilman reported that we are in the process of getting the word out about our address change. Bill discussed the information we received on the MEAP scores. Bill is having troubles submitting the Education Yes reports but will get it figured out in time to submit them. He discussed the current outlook on legislation that is being discussed. The Michigan Merit curriculum changes continually. Bill will be meeting with Kari Rojas this week for lunch and invited other board members to join them.

Terry Hutchinson read the financial report

Motion by Frank Fox, seconded by Rod Cole to approve the General Fund payments of \$355,013.52, Hot Lunch payments of \$13,610.09, Athletic Fund payments of \$2,021.25. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Ed VanAvery to approve the recommendation to hire Brenda Garrett as a kitchen staff employee.

Bill passed around an agreement for the Beal City Area Foundation that the board members needed to sign. We will be advertising the foundation in the Aggie Express.

They discussed the Tabletop Evacuation/Reunification drill that we performed a few weeks ago.

Julie reviewed the proposed Budget Amendments.

Motion by Bob Pasch, seconded by Frank Fox to approve the Budget Amendments as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Rod Cole, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the recommendation to change the Organization Meeting date from the beginning of July to the beginning of January. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Frank Fox, seconded by Rod Cole to approve the coaching recommendations as presented: Tom Lavoie – Varsity Softball, Amanda Wilson (1st year) – JV Softball, Rod Flaughner – Voluntary Assistant Varsity Softball, Danielle Lavoie – Voluntary Assistant Varsity Softball, Lance Tibbetts – Voluntary Assistant Varsity Softball, Alysha Bushong – Voluntary Assistant JV Softball, Brad Antcliff – Varsity Baseball, Dennis Bechtel – Voluntary Assistant Varsity Baseball, Eddie Lynch – Voluntary Assistant Varsity Baseball, Jason Byrne – Varsity Boys Track, Gail Miller – Varsity Girls Track, Scott Leppert (1st year) – JH Boys Track, Dave King – JH Girls Track, Angela Murphy – Voluntary Assistant Girls Track, Elisha Richards – Voluntary Assistant Girls Track, Stacy Parraghi – Voluntary Assistant Boys Track, Dan Beckwith – Voluntary Assistant Boys Track, Lou Rau – Varsity Football, Paula Dewrock – Fall Cheerleading, Dave King – Cross Country, Randy Gallagher – Varsity Volleyball, and Randy Gallagher – JV Baseball. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Frank Fox, seconded by Rod Cole to accept the coaching resignation of Charlie Gross as Assistant Varsity Football Coach. Motion carried 6/0.

Bill spoke about the Comping Out policy that has been sent to Neola. They will type it up and submit it to us for Board Approval.

Bill discussed the Superintendent's Evaluation form that was used last year. They will use the same form this year for his evaluation.

Motion by Ed VanAvery, seconded by Bob Pasch to approve the recommendation to increase the cost of Driver Ed. to \$270.00/student. This fee will cover both the Segment I and Segment II classes.

Motion by Bob Pasch, seconded by Rod Cole to approve the recommendation to increase the Driver's Ed Instructor's hourly wage to \$20.00/hour. He will teach driver's ed classes exclusively at Beal City and will offer them three times a year or as needed.

Motion by Bob Pasch, seconded by Rod Cole, to approve Salary Guidelines as presented. Motion carried 6/0.

Motion by Frank Fox, seconded by Rod Cole to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion carried 6/0.

Recording Secretary
Carrie Bleise

Terry Hutchinson, President

Kari Rojas, Secretary