

BOARD OF EDUCATION DOCUMENT 12

The Board of Trustees of the Breckenridge Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, April 14, 2008, 6:00 p.m., in the Board Room of the School Administration Building, 212 North Miller, Breckenridge, Texas.

The following Trustees were in attendance: Alissa Atkinson, Bryan Woodward, Jim Thompson, Mark McCullough, Todd Pennartz and Bill Heatley. Mike Herrington was absent.

Mr. Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:01 P. M. and established a quorum.

Pledge of Allegiances Mr. Thompson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and to the Texas Flag.

Invocation Tammy Wallis, North Elementary Principal, gave the invocation.

Superintendent's Report

Ms. Martin reported the following:

Recognitions in the District:

Students of the Month for the month of March are as follows:

- (a) Liberty Blades, East Elementary Kindergarten student in the dual language program, taught by Mr. Brownrigg and Mrs. Boles, presented by Molly Peterson, principal.
- (b) Bailey Berry, North Elementary second grader in Ms. Anissa Briseno's class, presented by Tammy Wallis, principal.
- (c) Joe Huerta, South Elementary 5th grader in Ms. Delnita Jones' class, presented by Amy Grigsby, principal.

Other District Recognitions:

Athletes for the month of April are as follows:

Boys:

- (a) HS – Adam Riley
- (b) 8th – Zach Fleenor
- (c) 7th – Neftali Mendoza

Girls:

- (a) HS – Kylee Singleton
- (b) 8th – Katie Sikes
- (c) 7th – Abigail Palacios

Congratulations to these students!

Special District Recognitions:

The district would like to recognize Deanna Whitaker at this time. Ms. Whitaker has performed the lifesaving Heimlich Maneuver in the cafeteria, not once but twice to come to the aid of our children. Thank you, Deanna, for recognizing a child in need and coming to their rescue!

Enrollment:

- April 1, 2008 was 1577 which is down 61 students compared to April 2, 2007, when enrollment was 1638.

Tax Collections-

- Collected 95% of 2007 taxes through 3-31-08, compared to 95% of 2006 taxes through 3-31-07.

Announcements-

- The artwork this month in the Board Room and entry hall has been furnished by Ms. Teresa Everett's Kindergarten and 1st grade classes. First graders (in the boardroom) were introduced to Van Gogh as being one of the most famous artists in history. His birthday was March 30th. They were shown several prints of his paintings, and learned that he liked to use a lot of paint and loved bold colors! He also painted with his fingers at times. Students were introduced to the word "still-life" and shown one that was set up for them to paint a sunflower, "Van Gogh" style painting. Using their finger to draw with paint and then paint, they created their own sunflower painting. They had a choice of colors for their table, vase or pot and the background.

Kindergartners were introduced to Mr. Van Gogh also. They were shown only the Sunflower print. They were introduced to the parts of the flower. For the first lesson they created the blossom part of the sunflower from a paper plate. The next week they made the stem and leaves, and attached it to their sunflower. They each placed their sunflower in the big vase that was ready for them, and recreated a giant "sunflower" picture like Mr. Van Gogh's.

The third week the students were introduced to a "still-life" of sunflowers in a pitcher on a tablecloth. They drew the still-life, then added color with Cray-Pas. Thank you, Teresa for sharing your young students' talents.

- Varsity and JV softball will be in play tomorrow, April 15th, in Sweetwater at 5:00 and 6:30 P.M.
- Second graders will be taking a field trip to Frontier Texas on Friday, April 18th and will depart at 7:45 A.M. Classes included are Ms. Briseno, Ms. Dye, and Ms. Rodriguez.
- There will be a Title I year end meeting at Region 14, Abilene, on Friday, April 18th from 9:00 to 12:00 noon.
- The Cowboy Cookout will be at East Elementary on Friday, April 18th.

- 2008-09 Freshman Orientation will be on Monday, April 21st in Bailey Auditorium from 9:45 – 11:45, and Parent/Freshman Orientation will be the same evening in the High School Cafeteria from 5:00 – 6:30 P.M.
- 9th Grade Orientation will also be on April 21st in Bailey at 10:15 A.M., with Parent Orientation in the cafeteria at 5:30 P.M.
- There will be a Head Start Breakfast with Dads at East on Tuesday, April 22nd.

Comments from Public	No one signed in for “Audience to Patrons Desiring to Be Heard”.
Consent Agenda 6-A Through 6-E #56	Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Ms. Atkinson to approve Consent Agenda items as listed: 6-A Approval of minutes of 3-10-08 regular board meeting and 3-31-08 special board meeting 6-B Approval of March 31, 2008, financial report 6-C Approval of 2007-2008 budget amendments 6-D Approval of 2008-2009 transfer students 6-E Receive report of district resignations The motion passed unanimously.
Consider 2008-2009 School Calendar #57	Ms. Atkinson made the motion seconded by Mr. McCullough to approve the 2008-2009 school calendar as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
Consider Breckenridge Education Foundation Contribution #58	Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Mr. Pennartz that the Board accept the contribution of \$411,000 from the Breckenridge Education Foundation to be used for the artificial turf project at Buckaroo Stadium. The motion passed unanimously.
Consider Surplus Property and Participation in 2008 School Bus Auction #59	Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Ms. Atkinson that the Board declare the 1987 bus and 1988 bus as surplus and approve the district’s sale of the buses in the 2008 school bus auction. The motion passed unanimously.
Consider Mailing System Lease #60	Ms. Atkinson made the motion seconded by Mr. McCullough that the Board approve a 60-month lease for a Pitney Bowes DM500 digital mailing system at a cost of \$291.00 per month. The motion passed unanimously.

- Consider Security Cameras For BISD Athletic and Fine Arts Facility #61
Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Ms. Atkinson to approve the purchase of security cameras for the BISD Athletic and Fine Arts Facility in the amount of \$16,492.83. The motion passed unanimously.
- Consider Order to Declare Unopposed Candidates As Elected for Place 6 and Place 7 in Board of Trustees Election and Cancel Election #62
Mr. Woodward made the motion seconded by Mr. McCullough that the Board approve the order to declare the unopposed candidates Koby Killion – Place 6 and Skip Griffith – Place 7 as elected trustees and cancel the Board of Trustees Election scheduled for Saturday, May 10, 2008. The motion passed unanimously.
- Consider Incentive Pay for Texas Educator Excellence Grant #63
Mr. Woodward made the motion seconded by Ms. Atkinson to approve incentive pay amounts less than the TEA recommended \$3,000 for the Texas Educator Excellence Grant. The motion passed unanimously.
- Executive Session
The Board went into closed session at 6:40 P.M. under (Tex. Gov't Code § 551.074) for personnel.

The Board returned to open session at 7:50 P.M.
- Consider Employment of Paraprofessional Personnel For 2008-09 School Year #64
Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Mr. Woodward to approve the employment of district personnel as recommended for the 2008-2009 school year. The motion passed unanimously.
- Quarterly Evaluation of Superintendent & Review Of District Goals
The Board and Superintendent reviewed District goals and objectives. It was stated by Mr. Thompson that board members agreed that everything in the district is continuing to go good and they appreciate all that Ms. Martin has and is doing for BISD.
- Adjournment
Mr. Thompson adjourned the meeting at 7:52 P.M

Jim Thompson, Board President

Date

Bryan Woodward, Board Secretary