

BOARD OF EDUCATION DOCUMENT 19

The Board of Trustees of the Breckenridge Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, June 9, 2008, 6:30 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, Koby Killion, Todd Pennartz, Mike Herrington, Mark McCullough and Skip Griffith.

Mr. Woodward called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. and established a quorum.

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

Invocation                                      John Richey, Director of District Services, gave the invocation.

Superintendent's Report

Enrollment:

- Enrollment for May 29, 2008 was 1556 which is down 59 students compared to May 24, 2007, when enrollment was 1615.

Tax Collections:

97% of 2007 taxes collected through 5/31/08, compared to 97% of 2006 taxes collected through 5/31/07.

Announcements:

- Summer school began last Monday, June 2nd and will end on Thursday, July 3rd.
- TAKS retest dates are as follows:  
Grades 5 and 8 TAKS Math retest – July 1<sup>st</sup>  
Grades 3, 5 and 8 TAKS Reading retest – July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Comments from Public                      No one signed in for "Audience to Patrons Desiring to Be Heard".

Consent Agenda 6-A  
Thru 6-E  
#84

Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Ms. Atkinson to approve Consent Agenda items as listed:  
6-A Approval of minutes of 5-19-08 regular and special board meetings, 5-27-08 special board meeting and 6-2-08 special board meeting  
6-B Receive report of district resignations  
6-C Approval of May 31, 2008, financial and quarterly investment reports

- 6-D Approval of 2007-2008 budget amendments
- 6-E Approval of scheduling budget workshop in August, 2008

The motion passed unanimously.

Stephens County Appraisal  
District Property Value  
Report

Sherry Duggan, Chief Appraiser, reviewed the 2008 estimate of taxable value for Breckenridge ISD. She stated that the biggest increase in values was mineral interests. She also stated that there was a 10% raise in home appraisals. A ratio study showed that we were previously low in comparison to others on home appraisals. The 2008 estimated taxable value for BISD is \$729,969,000. There was no action taken.

Review of Students' State  
Performance Assessments  
Results for 2007-2008  
School Year

Janice Smith, BISD Test Coordinator, reviewed test results for TAKS (Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills), Alternative Assessments, and TELPAS (English as a Second Language). Ms. Smith said that our results will reflect the work of the teachers, tutors, and community volunteers that donated time to help raise scores. Tutors helped before and after school and at lunch. She also said that there were a lot of "Oh Wows" to be proud of, and that our results in several areas surpassed State and Region 14. A copy of the results and comparisons are attached. Ms. Martin, Superintendent, stated that our district is close to becoming a recognized district, and that all staff has been working hard towards this goal for the last two years. Ms. Martin anticipates that we should have 3 campuses recognized and one exemplary next year. It was noted that administrators have spent hours and hours, along with community groups that have helped. It was noted that Abilene is coming here to see what we are doing to improve our scores. It has been one of the best years academically to date.

It was asked by a board member, "How many questions are on the test?" In reply, Ms. Smith stated that there are 50 questions, more or less. She also stated that anything above 75% is considered a recognized score. Teachers are not allowed to look at the tests, so they are teaching what they "think" will be tested. Prior tests given can only be viewed every 3 years. All that the teachers know is that the test is going to test curriculum, so it is a challenge to prepare the kids for the tests. There was no more discussion, and no action was required.

Consider Bids for  
2008-2009 Athletic  
Supplies  
#85

Ms. Atkinson made the motion seconded by Mr. McCullough that the Board approve the athletic supply vendors for the 2008-2009 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of Title I Program  
Notice

Ms. Linda Sims, Director of Instruction, explained that federal funds are available to be used for services for public, private and home-schooled students who qualify. All 3 elementary schools are Title I (economically disadvantaged). BISD has to offer a portion of funds we receive to private non-profit or home-schooled each year. BISD must also hold a meeting to discuss available funding to those who qualify. A notice regarding this meeting is required by law to be published in the paper, yet Ms. Sims stated that to date, no one has ever requested these funds. No action was required.

Consider Athletic Trainer  
Service Agreement  
#86

Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Mr. Griffith that the Board approve the athletic trainer service agreement with Bill Pearce as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Meal Price  
Increase  
#87

The Board was informed that the proposed increase was 25 cents per meal and that reduced prices are a set rate. Ms. Atkinson made the motion seconded by Mr. McCullough that the Board approve the school nutrition meal prices for 2008-2009 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider purchase of  
Scissor Lift  
#88

Mr. John Richey, Director of District Services, informed the Board that he had researched the needs of the District when considering a scissor lift, and located a lift that best fits the needs of the District. Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Mr. Pennartz that the Board approve the purchase of a scissor lift in the amount of \$15,350. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Update 83 of  
TASB Legal Policies  
#89

Mr. Pennartz made the motion seconded by Mr. McCullough that the Board add, revise, or delete (Local) policies as recommended by TASB Policy Service and according to the instruction sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 83 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

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Executive Session

The Board went into closed session at 7:23 P.M. under (Tex. Gov't Code §551.074 and §11.159) for deliberation regarding personnel.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:05 P.M.

Consider Employment of  
Professional Personnel for  
2008-2009 School  
Year  
#90

Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Mr. Killion to approve the employment of the professional the staff as recommended for the 2008-2009 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Woodward adjourned the meeting at 8:06 P.M.

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**Bryan Woodward, Board President**

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**Date**

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**Skip Griffith, Board Secretary**