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The Board of Trustees of the Breckenridge Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, October 13, 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, Mark McCullough, Mike Herrington and Skip Griffith. All members were present.

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 Ms. Molly Peterson, East Elementary Principal, gave the invocation.

Superintendent's Report

Ms. Martin reported the following:

The artwork in the Board Room and Hallway were shared with those in attendance by Ms. Terri Hamilton, art teacher at North Elementary. Her 2nd and 3rd grade students have shared several different projects.

- (a) Alphabet art, above the white board, has been done with watercolors, and the session covered different kinds of lines: vertical, horizontal, curved, diagonal and zig zag.
- (b) For the Geometric shapes, on the west wall, the students were given blank paper, but they did have patterns for the 4 basic geometric shapes: circle, square, triangle and rectangle. They could create any design as long as it was made using any or all of the 4 basic shapes.
- (c) The Elephants you see went along with a book, "Elmer the Elephant", and the students created their own "Elmers" for their project. Paintings were done with watercolors. The children painted their piece and then put them together puzzle style to create the completed picture.
- (d) The lesson for the Monarchs that you see on the north wall was on Pointilism, which is a picture created entirely of small dots close together. They used Q-tips with yellow, orange and black tempera paint.

- (e) For the Leaf Rubbings on the south wall, the students used “warm colors” and fall colors to create the leaves. They rubbed crayons over some leaf rubbing stencils, cut out, made a tree trunk, and then glued all parts together.
- (f) Chalk Pumpkins were drawn step by step with students following Ms. Hamilton’s instructions. The students practiced sketching, blending and chalk techniques. The leaf and stem details were made with Craypas.

Ms. Martin thanked Ms. Hamilton for sharing her students’ art projects with everyone in attendance!

Recognitions in the District:

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

- (a) Katya Bogard, East Elementary Prekindergarten student in Ms. Hurford’s class, presented by Molly Peterson, principal
- (b) Cecelia Hernandez, North Elementary third grader in Ms. Lisa Dye’s class, presented by Susan Fambrough, principal
- (c) Emma Davis, South Elementary 5th grader in Ms. Delnita Jones’ class, presented by Brent Evans, principal

Athletes of the Month:

- (a) 7th Grade:
 - Boy – Kristian Martinez
 - Girl - Hanna Singleton
- (b) 8th Grade:
 - Boy - Pedro Ramirez
 - Girl - Alexis Ramirez
- (c) HS
 - Boy - Colby Hartfield
 - Girl - Taylor Simmons

Other District Recognitions:

Arlett Torres and Candace Baladez were recognized at this time. Mrs. Doyle, their High School teacher, got them started with a Mentor Tutoring Program with our students and these two girls have taken the ball and ran for a touchdown. Bryan Dieterich, HS principal presented them with a certificate at this time in recognition of their hard work.

Wal Mart Teacher of the Year:

Every year Wal Mart recognizes our teachers by presenting a plaque for teacher of the year. J.J. Mackey of Wal Mart could not be present to present this honor. Linda Sims, Director of Instruction will present the award. The teacher of the year is Jessica Stapp, a junior high teacher. Congratulations on a job well done!

Tax Collections:

98% of 2007 taxes collected through 9/30/08 compared to 98% of 2006 taxes collected through 9/30/07.

Announcements:

- (a) Fire Prevention is being recognized this week at several of the campuses with visits to the Fire Station by PreK, as well as Fire Dept representatives coming on campus to give programs.
- (b) The Scholastic Book Fair will be at East Elementary this week, with Family Night tomorrow, Oct 14th, from 4:00 TO 6:00 p.m.
- (c) The District Improvement Committee Meeting will be this Wednesday, October 15th, at 4:00 P.M. in the Board Room at the Administration Office.
- (d) BISD Administrators will have a staff meeting at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, October 17th in the Administration Board Room.
- (e) UIL Marching Contest will be this Saturday, October 18th, at Wichita Falls, TBA.
- (f) There will be a Flu Clinic at the High School Conference Room next Monday, October 20th from 9:30 – 12:30 and 1:30 – 4:00. Flu shots are \$10.00.
- (g) Alan Garland will be at High School during lunch from 11:35-12:20 on October 22nd to take orders for Senior Rings.
- (h) District Cross Country will be in Breckenridge on October 22nd, TBA.
- (i) Red Ribbon Week (Anti-Drugs) will be recognized October 23 – 31st. Red Ribbon Week was initiated after a special agent from the drug enforcement administration was kidnapped and killed by drug traffickers in 1985. His hometown wore red ribbons to commemorate his sacrifice. This anti-drug message spread quickly and in 1988 it went nationwide. The Red Ribbon itself now symbolizes a continuing commitment to reducing the demand for illicit drugs within our communities.

Comments from Public

No one signed in for “Audience to Patrons Desiring to Be Heard”.

Consent Agenda 6-A
Through 6-E
#4

Mr. Griffith made the motion seconded by Mr. McCullough to approve Consent Agenda Items as listed:
6-A Approval of minutes of 9-16-08 regular board meeting and 9-16-08 special board meeting

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- 6-B Approval to declare October 23-31st, 2008, as BISD Safe and Drug Free School Commitment Week
 - 6-C Approval to amend 2008-2009 Budget
 - 6-D Approval of September 30, 2008, financial report
 - 6-E Receive report of resignations
- The motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing on 2008
School FIRST Rating

Mr. Chandler Snow, Business Manager at BISD reviewed information regarding the 2008 School FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas) rating. He stated that the financial data is based on the 2006-07 school year. BISD has received a perfect score (Superior Achievement) the last six years, meeting all twenty one indicators the last three years. The first three years, twenty of twenty one indicators were met. Our district's score was 78 and passing is 55. The four ratings are Superior, Above Standard Achievement, Standard Achievement, and Substandard Achievement. This is a TEA Compliance Report that is open to the public on the TEA website. No action was required.

Receive Report from North
Elementary Physical
Education Department

Barbara Collinsworth, North Elementary Physical Education teacher, presented information on the new rock climbing wall that has recently been installed on campus. This project is the result of fund raising activities that both parents and students participated in. This wall helps build leg strength and can be used for other activities as well, such as spelling by putting letters on the wall to spell out a word. Braxton Post, a student, told the board that he liked the wall because it made him stronger and it was fun. The students use the wall on Fridays for fun day. There is a red relief line that is 3' up; this is the highest that the students can climb. When board members and staff inquired as to why the students couldn't climb to the top, Ms. Collinsworth stated that if they were to fall from higher, they might not fall on the matt, and it was simply for safety.

Ms. Collinsworth also expressed her thanks to the board for her budget increase from \$300 to \$1000 for her PE program. She stated that she has been able to buy great activities. The students also have a "mileage club". This

club has a prize incentive for number of laps run. After the students run 10 laps, they receive a token for a prize. The children really like this idea and have been running a lot, so the project is achieving great results!

Ms. Sims and Ms. Martin both commended Ms. Collinsworth for her innovative teaching abilities and thanked her for the update on her classroom activities. No action was required.

Consider Approval to Apply
for Matching Fund Grant
#5

Ms. Sims, Director of Instruction, stated that this grant is a discretionary grant and is very competitive. Mr. Dieterich, High School Principal, has submitted an intent to apply for the grant, if board approved. The purpose of the grant is to support at risk and economically disadvantaged students with individual technology-based supplemental instruction. Ms. Sims stated that the grant would allow the district to purchase computers that are needed. It is a 3 year matching grant with a \$50 per-student match. Mr. Woodward made the motion seconded by Mr. Griffith that the board approve applying for matching fund grant (Intensive Technology-Based Academic Intervention Pilot Program, Cycle 2). The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Approval of
Annual Investment Report
And Adoption of Board
Resolution
#6

Chandler Snow, Business Manager, distributed the investment report and data informational pages and reviewed the information with the board and those present. Mr. Griffith made the motion seconded by Mr. Woodward to approve the 2007-2008 Annual Investment Report and adopt a resolution stating that the investment policy and strategies have been reviewed, and no changes are proposed. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Approval of Goals
Set at Goal Workshop
#7

Mr. Woodward noted that Mr. McCullough and Ms. Atkinson were absent at the goal setting meeting and asked for any input that they might have on goals. Discussion was held regarding various items. Ms. Martin advised not amending this list of new goals because they were weighted, but to consider adding additional goals at a later date. All board members were okay with Ms. Martin's suggestion. Mr. Woodward made the motion seconded by

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Mr. Herrington that the board approve the goals from the September 17, 2008 workshop as listed to be added to existing Breckenridge ISD goals. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Out of State
Training for Nurse in Sex
Education
#8

Ms. Linda Sims, Director of Instruction, explained to the Board, that due to time constraints, this out of state training required for the new sex education program was needed. She also stated that the cost to send Ms. McKenzie out of state was actually cheaper than bringing someone here to train her. This course for students is a 2 week course, and at this time, probably 100 students will be in the class, if this training is approved. Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Ms. Atkinson that the board approve the out of state training in Pueblo, Colorado on November 13th and 14th for Tonya McKenzie. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session

The Board went into closed session at 7:25 P.M. under (Tex. Gov't Code §551.072 and §551.074) for deliberation regarding acquisition/sale of real property and quarterly evaluation of Superintendent and review of District Goals.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:40 P.M.

Quarterly Evaluation of
Superintendent/ Review
Of District Goals

The Board evaluated the Superintendent for the quarter and reviewed district goals. Mr. Woodward stated that the board was pleased with the progress the district is making and hope that the district will continue to progress.

Adjournment

Mr. Woodward adjourned the meeting at 8:41 P. M.

Bryan Woodward, Board President

Date

Skip Griffith, Board Secretary