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The Board of Trustees of the Breckenridge Independent School District met in regular session on Wednesday, December 3, 2008, 12:00 p.m., in the Board Room of the School Administration Building, 212 North Miller, Breckenridge, Texas.

The following Trustees were in attendance: Bryan Woodward, Mike Herrington, Skip Griffith, Todd Pennartz, Mark McCullough, and Alissa Atkinson. Koby Killion was absent.

Ms. Atkinson called the meeting to order at 12:04 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 Pledge.

Invocation                                      Brent Evans, Breckenridge Junior High and South Elementary School Principal, gave the invocation.

### Superintendent's Report

#### Recognitions in the District:

Students and Athletes of the Month for the month of December will be recognized at the January, 2009 board meeting with the January students of the month.

#### Enrollment:

December 1, 2008, was 1516 which is down 75 students compared to December 3, 2008, when enrollment was 1591.

#### Tax Collections-

Collected 12% of 2008 taxes through 11-30-08, compared to 12% of 2006 taxes through 11-30-07.

#### Announcements-

- Both junior high and high school are busy with Basketball games and tournaments. This weekend high school boys will be in tournament play in Dublin and high school girls will be playing in a tournament in Merkel.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Graders will have a Career Test in Bailey Auditorium on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.
- A Book Fair is in progress all this week at South Elementary and will close this Friday, Dec 5<sup>th</sup> at noon.
- On Thursday, Dec 4<sup>th</sup>, there will be a PTO Meeting at 6:00 pm followed by a 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Christmas Program at 6:30 pm.
- Junior high will be in UIL competition in Graham on Wednesday, Dec 10<sup>th</sup>. Students will leave at 9:00 am and return by 4:30 pm.

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- The BHS Drama Dept will present their Fall Drama Production, Mid Summer Night's Dream, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in Bailey Auditorium and on Sunday, Dec 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.
- Third graders will have a math TAKS Practice Test on Thursday, Dec 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Early dismissal will be on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. for the Christmas holidays, with classes resuming on Tuesday, Jan 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am. Teachers will have a workday on Monday, Jan 5<sup>th</sup>, and the Administration Office will also resume work on this day.

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

Consent Agenda 6-A  
Through 6-D  
#15

Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Mr. Griffith to approve Consent Agenda items as listed:  
6-A    Approval of minutes of 11-10-08 regular board meeting  
6-B    Approval of November 30, 2008, financial report and quarterly investment report presented by Chandler Snow.  
6-C    Approval to amend 2008-2009 Budget  
6-D    Approval of SHAC committee members for 2008-2009

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Woodward stated that agenda item #7 would be moved to the last item on the agenda below agenda item #11 to #12.

Consider 2007-2008  
Fnanacial Audit Report  
#16

Peter Morgan, of George, Morgan & Sneed, P.C., CPA's, briefly reviewed audited statements that were prepared for the 2007-2008 school year. Mr. Griffith made the motion seconded by Mr. McCullough that the Board approve the 2007-2008 financial audit report as presented by George, Morgan and Sneed, CPA's. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Joint Election  
Agreement  
#17

Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Mr. Griffith that the Board approve the proposed tentative joint election agreement and related resolution between the City of Breckenridge and Breckenridge ISD. The motion passed unanimously.

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Consider Interlocal  
Agreement with RPS  
Group  
#18

Mr. Griffith made the motion seconded by Ms. Atkinson that the Board approve the interlocal agreement with RPS Group with an effective date of September 1, 2008. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing for 2007-  
2008 Academic Excellence  
Indicator System Report

Ms. Lin Sims, BISD Director of Instruction, gave a brief summary of the Academic Excellence Indicator System Report that was released in Mid-November. This report is based on performance criteria and compares BISD with Region 14 and the State. The report includes academic information and assessment data, student information, class size information, staff information, financial information, and program information. No action was required.

Board President's Report on  
Board Member Training  
Hours

Mr. Bryan Woodward, Board President, gave the annual board member training hours report. No action was required.

Proposal for Nonrenewal  
Hearing for Dawn McDaniel  
#19

Mr. Woodward, Board President, announced that the Board was meeting to consider the proposed nonrenewal of Dawn McDaniel who is presently employed with the district but has been temporarily put on leave. The following board members were present: Alissa Atkinson, Mike Herrington, Skip Griffith, Mark McCullough, Todd Pennartz and Bryan Woodward. For the record, a quorum was present. Mr. Woodward asked the counsel for the district to please state their name and whether they were a licensed attorney. Ms. Racquel Perry of Schwartz and Eichelbaum, Wardell, Mehl and Hansen, P.C.'s, announced that she was counsel for BISD, and that she was a licensed attorney. Mr. Woodward then asked the legal representative for the employee to state their name and whether they were a licensed attorney. Mr. Richard Arnett of Brim, Arnett, Robinett, Hanner, Connors & McCormick, P.C.'s, stated that he was counsel for the employee, Dawn McDaniel, and that he was a licensed attorney. Mr. Woodward then announced the following regarding the hearing:  
Dennis Eichelbaum will conduct this portion of the hearing for the BISD Board. Mr. Eichelbaum will rule on all evidence and objections. Even though Mr. Eichelbaum is

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charged for making those rulings, Mr. Eichelbaum is ultimately acting in the name of the Board of Trustees, and the Board of Trustees may overrule and ruling is by majority. If any board member wishes to discuss or move to overrule a ruling, he or she may address the board president at that time.

Mr. Eichelbaum will not have any vote in the Board's final decision, but may assist in his legal capacity. There were no objections, and the hearing was then turned over to Mr. Eichelbaum.

Mr. Eichelbaum stated that this hearing would be closed to the public in accordance with Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code and the Texas Education Code section 21.207(a), unless the employee requests a public hearing. He asked if the employee wished the hearing to be open to the public. Ms. McDaniel was not present; therefore, her attorney, Mr. Arnett stated that the employee requested a closed hearing.

At this time, Mr. Eichelbaum, requested a two minute recess before preceding with the hearing.

After the requested recess, the board went into closed session at 12:42 P.M.

Board member Todd Pennartz had to leave the hearing for a family emergency and was not able to be there for the vote on the renewal.

Adjournment

Mr. Woodward adjourned the meeting at 4:27 P.M.

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**Bryan Woodward, Board President**

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**Date**

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**Skip Griffith, Board Secretary**