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The Board of Trustees of the Breckenridge Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, June 8, 2009, 6:30 p.m., in the Board Room of the School Administration Building, 212 North Miller, Breckenridge, Texas.

The following Trustees were in attendance: Weldon Edwards, Sandy Morris, Julie Erb, Bryan Woodward, and Todd Pennartz. Koby Killion and Skip Griffith were absent.

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

Pledge of Allegiances                      Mr. Edwards 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 28, 2009 was 1517 which is down 39 students compared to May 29, 2008, when enrollment was 1556.

#### Tax Collections:

96% of 2008 taxes collected through 5/31/09, compared to 97% of 2007 taxes collected through 5/31/08.

#### Announcements:

Summer school began last Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> and will end on Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup>.

TAKS retest dates are as follows:

July 14 – Exit Level ELA

July 15 – Exit Level Math

July 16 – Exit Level Science

July 17 – Exit Level Social Studies

District Recognitions

Linda Sims, Director of Instruction for BISD, has been selected to represent Region 14 this year as Regional Advocate of the Gifted. She was chosen from a number of candidates for outstanding service, contributions and commitment to gifted education. Regional winners are eligible for TAGT's Regional Advocate of the Gifted. Ms. Sims will be recognized during the Regional Advisory Meeting at Region 14 ESC in October. Congratulations to Ms. Sims for making an impact on the future of gifted students!

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

Consent Agenda 6-A  
Thru 6-D  
# 52                                    Mr. Woodward made the motion seconded by Ms. Morris to approve Consent Agenda items as listed:  
6-A    Approval of minutes of 5-12-09 special board meeting and 5-12-09 regular board meeting  
6-B    Receive report of district resignations  
6-C    Approval of May 31, 2009, district financial report and quarterly investment report  
6-D    Approval of 2008-2009 budget amendments  
The motion passed unanimously.

Discuss Joint Election  
Agreement with City of  
Breckenridge                        A discussion was held between City of Breckenridge officials and BISD board members regarding the continuation of joint elections. City officials that were present included Linda Knight, City Secretary, Gary Ernest, City Manager, Jim McKay, Mayor, and Graham Reaugh, City Commissioner.

Gary Ernest stated that City officials felt like voters from the school are in the same jurisdiction as the county, and this was a major concern of the commissioners. Mr. Ernest also stated that House Bill 401 would give BISD until December 10, 2010, to move the election from May to November and make changes to the date and terms of the election. He noted that the county does not have the option to turn BISD down in regards to a joint election.

Ms. Martin stated that BISD was concerned about changing the election time frame to November due to additional costs to the taxpayers that would be incurred. These costs have been estimated at \$33,000. Ms. Martin also informed those

present that Ms. Roberta Brown, BISD past business manager, had called the Secretary of State's office, when she was checking on possible election changes, and was told by the Secretary of State's office that there was only one city in the State of Texas that did not hold a joint election with a school district. Ms. Martin stated that it was ridiculous to tax the taxpayers twice.

Ms. Morris, board member, asked city officials present if they had any serious problems with BISD. Mr. Ernest stated that the City's big concern was confusion of the taxpayers when both elections were held in the same polling place. Those present were informed that in 2007, the City did not want to hold a joint election with BISD, but there was not enough time to make changes. In 2008, there was no election, and in 2009, a joint election was held and everything went smoothly.

Discussion continued with concerns about the small number of voters at BISD compared to the county, as well as concerns about the election process beginning when school starts (if changed to a November election).

Mr. Woodward, board member, stated that confusion of voters didn't seem like a big problem if only one other city in the state of Texas does not hold elections with a school district. The changeover of terms for school board members was also a big concern, especially with three new board members just recently being elected.

In closing, Mayor McKay told BISD that the board's concerns should be brought to the City Commissioners as an agenda item at their next meeting on July 6, 2009, at 6:30 P.M. If the agenda item was to be an action item, Mr. McKay stated that the City would need a joint resolution from BISD attorneys. No action was required.

Review of Students' State  
Performance Assessments  
Results for 2008-2009  
School Year

Janice Smith, BISD Test Coordinator, reviewed test results for TAKS (Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills), Alternative Assessments, and English as a Second Language (TELPAS). Ms. Smith provided handouts that charted preliminary scores of the State, Regional, and BISD scores. Color coding compared BISD scores with the State and Region 14 scores. These scores were recorded on the "snapshot day" in October and would only include those present on that day. With the "green" code exceeding both the State and Region 14, Reading was 100% and 4<sup>th</sup> grade math was 100%. Ms. Smith stated that the teachers had worked hard to tutor students, even at lunch and after school. A handout was also provided that was a longitudinal comparison of the past 5 years. Fifth grade science was 54% commended this past year compared to 22% the year before. Mr. Edwards noted that it was impressive that the percentages are going up every year. No action was required.

Consider Bids for  
2009-2010 Athletic  
Supplies  
#53

Mr. Pennartz made the motion seconded by Ms. Erb to approve the athletic supply vendors for the 2009-2010 school year as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Bids for Band  
Uniforms  
#54

Board members reviewed the bid for new band uniforms and were informed that the district would not be taking the 4% discount available if paid when the order is placed. However, a letter of intent would be sent to the uniform company. According to Dane Richardson, band director, the uniforms will not be received until mid to late October. They will possibly be available for marching contest which is scheduled for the third Saturday in October. Ms. Morris made the motion seconded by Mr. Woodward to approve the bid for new band uniforms from Stanbury Uniforms, Inc. as presented in the amount of \$33,665.00. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of Title I Program  
Notice

Ms. Linda Sims, Director of Instruction, reviewed the Title I program notice and related information regarding meetings. Ms. Sims stated that the money the district receives requires by law that these meetings be held to offer funding for academic services for qualified public schools, private school students and home schooled students. She stated that no one has ever participated. No action was required.

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Consider Athletic Trainer  
Service Agreement  
#55

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

Consider Employment of  
Professional Personnel for  
2009-2010 School Year  
#56

Mr. Pennartz made the motion seconded by Mr. Woodward that the board approve the employment of the professional staff as recommended for the 2009-2010 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Edwards adjourned the meeting at 7:30 P.M

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**Weldon Edwards, Board President**

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**Date**

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**Julie Erb, Board Secretary**