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The Board of Trustees of the Breckenridge Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, May 19, 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: Bryan Woodward, Mark McCullough, Mike Herrington, Alissa Atkinson, Todd Pennartz, Skip Griffith and Koby Killion.

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 Molly Peterson, East Elementary Principal, gave the invocation.

Superintendent's Report

Ms. Martin reported the following:

Enrollment:

- Enrollment for May 1, 2008 was 1574 which is down 53 students compared to May 1, 2007, when enrollment was 1627.

Tax Collections:

96% of 2007 taxes collected through 4/30/08, compared to 95% of 2006 taxes collected through 4/30/07.

Recognitions in the District:

Service and Retirement Recognitions in the District:

The principals or heads of each department were recognized for years of service awards by their campus principals or supervisors. Retirees at the end of the 2007-2008 school year were: Sue Ritter, HS Cafeteria Manager, Wayne McFaddin, teacher at South Elementary, Roberta Brown, Business Manager, and Mary Capps, aid at South Elementary.

Ms. Martin also recognized two Board Members that will not be returning with plaques of appreciation and Buckaroo watches.

Jim Thompson and Bill Heatley both had a total of 6 years of service as a BISD Board Members. Ms. Martin expressed her appreciation for their

dedication to the community and the schools of Breckenridge.

Ms. Martin announced the newly elected Board members. They are as follows:
Koby Killion, Place 6 and Skip Griffith, Place 7.

Students of the Month

For the Month of May

- (a) Katie Folsom, East Elementary first grader in Ms. Janet Dossey's class, presented by Molly Peterson, principal
- (b) Eric Rodriguez, North Elementary third grader in Ms. Barbra Clack's class, presented by Tammy Wallis, principal
- (c) Logan Smith, South Elementary 6th grader in Ms. Lisa Karger's class, presented by Amy Grigsby, principal

Athletes of the month for the month of May are as follows:

Boys:

- (a) HS – Matt Miles
- (b) 8th – Jonathan Reynolds
- (c) 7th – Brandon Post

Girls:

- (a) HS – Sara Tonne
- (b) 8th – Sara Davis
- (c) Nikaela Knight
- (d) Stephanie Wright
- (e) 7th – Bailee Curtis
- (f) Libbie Speer

Congratulations to these students!

Jack and Carol Morehart Scholarship:

The winner of the Jack and Carol Morehart scholarship for 2007-2008 is Clancy Spencer. Congratulations Clancy.

Special Recognitions

Plaques of recognition were presented to Elliott Street Church of Christ, Stephanie Russell, and Pat Knight.

Elliott Street Church of Christ was recognized for volunteering their time and support to our schools, staff and students which included after school programs for students and tutoring.

Stephanee Russell has been volunteering on all campuses for the last four years. She files, works the phones or visits with children or parents. She always has a kind word to say and a smile on her face. There are not enough words to thank her for her dedication and service.

Pat Knight has been the chairman of the Coronation Committee for the past seven years, and is retiring from that duty. Thanks to Pat for her service to the students, community and school for heading this committee and doing such a great job!

-Announcements:

- (a) The artwork this month in the Board Room has been furnished by Ms. Teresa Everett's art classes. The students were introduced to the artist Piet Mondrain, a Dutch painter, who was an Abstract painter. His favorite style of painting was to draw straight black lines onto his canvas and then fill only some spaces with only the primary colors (red, blue, yellow). The students had already learned the primary colors and the color wheel. Students were shown several prints of Mondrain's and tried to guess the names of them. They then created their own "Mondrian" style piece using a ruler to draw the straight lines, black marker to go over the created lines, and then they got to choose the paint from the primary colors. After completing their piece they "named" their artwork. They loved this project! Thanks to the students and Ms. Everett for sharing!
- (b) The Band Banquet is being held tonight at the First United Methodist Church from 6:30 to 8:30.
- (c) All Sports Banquet will be tomorrow, May 20th, in Bailey Auditorium at 6:30 P.M.
- (d) Six Weeks Exams begin tomorrow, May 20th.
- (e) There will be a TSTC Senior Luncheon on Thursday, May 22nd, at TSTC at 11:35 A.M.
- (f) 7th & 8th Grade Awards Ceremonies will be Thursday, May 22nd in Bailey Auditorium, with 7th beginning at 1:15 P.M. and 8th Grade beginning at 2:15 P.M.
- (g) The South Elementary Track Meet will be on Thursday and Friday, May 22nd and 23rd.
- (h) There will be a special TAKS Celebration Day with hot dogs in the park at North on Friday, May 23rd, from 9:00 to 2:30.
- (i) Other award and classroom party activities will continue on campuses the rest of the school year, with school dismissing for the summer on Thursday, May 29th at 2:00 P.M.
- (j) Graduation practice will be at 9:30 A.M. on Friday, May 30th at Bailey Auditorium, and graduation will be that night at 8:00 P.M. at Bailey Auditorium.
- (k) Summer School will begin June 2nd.

Comments from Public Several citizens signed in for "Audience to Patrons Desiring to Be Heard".

Bryan Lambert, pastor of First Baptist Church was in favor of adopting the new curriculum for sex education and stated that it is essential for our students. He also commented on the philosophy of the District and noted that BISD should uphold standards of excellence which includes high moral, spiritual and educational standards.

Hanna Langford presented a petition for the hiring of Sam Scribner as softball coach.

Keith Fuller asked that the Board consider the application of Donny Funderburg as head coach. He stated that Mr. Funderburg was a motivator, both on and off the field, and he wants Donny to be considered. He said to consider the facts as opposed to rumors.

Kevin King wished the best of luck to the new Board and stated that he agreed with Reverend Lambert. He stated that he was saddened for the seniors and noted that what kids have to say, we need to listen to. Several football students (12-13), came to speak in support of Coach Funderburg, both in and out of the classroom. The all agreed that he was a big motivator and very encouraging.

Mitchell Sullivan thanked Ms. Martin for all of the work involved in picking out a head coach. He stated that resumes do not tell all. He said that promises were made and not followed through with. Mr. Sullivan also apologized to the public for the gentlemen who wrote the letter to the editor. Mr. Sullivan spoke in favor of Donny Funderburg. He stated that things have been said that were negative, but no one was there. He also stated that Mr. Funderburg has the knack of building kids up and he hopes that the Board will consider this hometown young man.

Consent Agenda 6-A
Thru 6-D
#72

Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Ms. Atkinson to approve Consent Agenda items as listed:
6-A Approval of minutes of 4-14-08 regular board meeting and 4-21-08 special board meeting
6-B Approval of April 30, 2008, financial report
6-C Approval of 2007-2008 budget amendments
6-D Receive report of district resignations
The motion passed unanimously.

Receive Information
Regarding Texas Educator's
Excellence Grant

Ms. Linda Sims, Director of Instruction, reviewed information regarding the Texas Educator's Excellence Grant. She stated that a student can be nominated by anyone and parents must consent to testing. The selection committee has at least three members that are trained. Parents are notified and participation is voluntary. The usual percentage of students that get into the program is 10%. Students are encouraged to work in activities, both in and out of school. There are 110 kids overall at BISD in this program.
Kim Fuller, Junior High teacher, shared what she has been doing with her GT classes. Her biggest project was a virtual field trip. They worked with Region 14 and put

together a power point of the history of Breckenridge and competed both on the state and national level.
No action was required.

Receive Update from BHS Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)

Melissa Rhodes and Ryan Rhodes informed the Board about FCCLA. Ryan is the new State Vice President and his goal is to get the community involved. These students learn to public speak, learn communication, motivational, and leadership skills. This organization was started in 1942. Ryan was the youngest to receive an office. He is an eighth grader.
Other members and Ms. Rhodes presented a program on their project and demonstrated how it strengthened their self-confidence. The Breckenridge chapter was just started this year and they received 3rd place in Regional and 13th place at State where 30 teams competed.
No action was required.

Consider Financial Audit Proposal
#73

Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Mr. Herrington that the Board approve the audit proposal submitted by George, Morgan, & Sneed, P.C. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Out of State FCS (Family Consumer Science) Trip
#74

After receiving information regarding the cost of this out of state trip, Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Mr. Killion to approve the out of state FCCLA trip to Orlando, Florida. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Out of State Trip for BJHS Cheerleaders
#75

After discussion with Ms. JLyn Jackson, cheerleader sponsor, Mr. Pennartz made the motion seconded by Mr. Griffith that the Board approve the out of state trip for the Breckenridge Junior High cheerleaders to Norman, Oklahoma. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Application for Missed Instructional Days for 2007-2008
#76

Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Ms. Atkinson that the Board approve the Texas Education Agency application for missed instructional days as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Implementation
of Sex Education Program
for 2008-2009 School
Year
#77

Ms. Linda Sims, Director of Instruction, stated that a committee had reviewed two different sex education programs, and had decided that the "Wait Training Program", which centers more on relationships, was best for BISD. This is a two week program for students, and will probably be taught through health classes or technology class in Junior High. This program has already been initiated in our community at First Baptist Church. Mr. Killion inquired if there had been any discussion for grades lower than the seventh grade. Ms. Sims stated that this program is available for fourth thru sixth grades. She also stated that this program has a website if you would like to learn more about it. There is a parent release form. After no further discussion, Ms. Atkinson made a motion seconded by Mr. Pennartz that the Board approve the "Wait Training" program for the 2008-2009 school year as recommended. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Stadium Seating
for Buckaroo Stadium

After discussion regarding the comfort and size of the new stadium seats, the Board agreed to table this item so that members would have more time to look at the new Seating situation. No action was taken.

Executive Session

The Board went into closed session at 9:02 P.M. under (Tex. Gov't Code § 551.074 and §11.159) for personnel.

The Board returned to open session at 11.22 P.M.

Consider Employment of
Professional Personnel for
2008-2009 School Year
#78

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

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Adjournment

Mr. Woodward adjourned the meeting at 11:23 P.M

Bryan Woodward, Board President

Date

Skip Griffith, Board Secretary