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The Board of Trustees of the Breckenridge Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, November 10, 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, Skip Griffith, Koby Killion and Todd Pennartz. Alissa Atkinson and Mike Herrington were absent.

Mr. Woodward called the meeting to order at 6:34 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 Bryan Dieterich, High School Principal, gave the invocation.

Superintendent's Report

Ms. Martin reported the following:

The artwork in the Board Room and Hallway are from Ms. Teresa Everett's Kindergarten and 1st Grade classes at East Elementary.

The Monarchs in the Board Room were done by 1st Grade students. The students were told about the Monarch butterfly and their journey from Canada to Mexico every year. Several pictures of monarchs were shown to the students. Symmetry was explained and the art elements of Line and Color, along with Symmetry were used in the drawing project. Students drew a butterfly step-by-step with the instructor and added pattern and color as a Monarch would have. They talked about this being a "realistic" artwork. Students got to choose their own background, as long as it was appropriate for a Monarch. It is so interesting how each one is so different, yet they drew together the shape of the butterfly.

The Kindergarteners artwork is displayed on the hallway board outside the Board Room. These students were shown what symmetry is and were shown pictures of Monarchs. (Several of the classes had previously taken a walk to see the Monarchs.) Each student was given a pre-drawn butterfly shape on black construction paper to cut out. Practicing fine motor skills, they cut their "butterfly" out and then tore pieces of white and orange paper into small pieces to use to create the Monarch butterfly. Pattern and symmetry were emphasized.

Ms. Martin thanked Ms. Everett for sharing her young students' talents.

Recognitions in the District:

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

- (a) Dawson Griffin, East Elementary kindergarten student in Ms. Kathryn Willis' class,
presented by Molly Peterson, principal
- (b) Meriah Jaramillo, North Elementary second grader in Ms. Julie Simmons' class, presented by Susan Fambrough, principal
- (c) Edgar Palacios, South Elementary 6th grader in Ms. Tamara Russell's class, presented by
Brent Evans, principal

Athletes of the Month for October:

7th Grade

- (a) Fidel Herrera – Boy
- (b) Brooke Moss – Girl

8th Grade

- (a) Nathaniel Pugh – Boy
- (b) Janie Davis – Girl

High School

- (a) Troy Roberson – Boy
- (b) Kali Moss – Girl

Enrollment:

November 1, 2008 was 1532 which is down 54 students compared to November 1, 2007, when enrollment was 1586.

Tax Collections-

Collected 1% of 2007 taxes through 10-31-08 compared to 1% of 2006 taxes through 10-31-07.

Announcements-

- PTO Book Fair will be all week at North Elementary from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.
- Friday, November 14th, is the end of the 2nd Six Weeks.
- JH Girls play Basketball against Eastland here this evening with games at 5:00 and 6:15. High School girls' games are also here tonight against Jacksboro with games beginning at 4:30 P.M.
- Family Math Night will be tomorrow, November 11th, at North Elementary in the North Cafeteria from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M.
- Boys HS Basketball will begin this Saturday, November 15th, with a season opening scrimmage at Comanche, beginning at 10:00 A.M.
- Thanksgiving Dinners will be served at all campuses and we encourage everyone to go have dinner with their children. East Elementary's dinner was last Friday, November 7th, and Sue Brown, Food Service Director, said that

they fed around 600 people. North Elementary's Thanksgiving Dinner will be this Friday, November 14th. JH/Hs Thanksgiving Dinner will be served on November 18th and South Elementary on November 21st.

- Cross Country girls traveled to Lubbock this past weekend to the Regional Meet with the team placing 11th out of 20 teams. Individually, team members placed as follows out of 145 runners:
Taylor Simmons – 33rd, Samantha Adams – 39th, Kali Moss – 43rd, Diana Valencia – 93rd, Haylea Conway – 95th, Rosio Araujo – 99th and Emilee Kieke – 115th. Congratulations to all of these girls on a job well done!
- Starting with the 2007-2008 school year, Texas Education Agency required that fitness levels of all students in grades 3-12 be assessed. Breckenridge ISD was recognized for our commitment to this project. Because of Texas school participation, the State of Texas has been recognized throughout the Nation, and Texas is now a model for other states beginning similar initiatives.
- There will be a Parent Seminar on "Aim for Success" in the HS Cafeteria on Tuesday, November 18th, at 6:00 P.M. An Aim for Success assembly for all students will be on Wednesday, November 19th following the parent seminar. Aim for Success is the new abstinence program. Permission forms will be sent out to all English students in English classes. These are returned only for refusal to participate. The program times for students is:
Seniors – 8:45 – 9:45, Juniors – 10:15 – 11:15, Sophomores – 12:45 – 1:45, and Freshman – 2:10 – 3:10.
- Junior High will have a Robotics Field Trip to Snyder on Tuesday, November 18th.
- November 25th, Tuesday, students will be released early for Thanksgiving Holidays and will return to class on Monday, December 1st.

Comments from Public

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

Consent Agenda 6-A
Through 6-D
#12

Mr. McCullough made the motion seconded by Mr. Killion to approve Consent Agenda items as listed:
6-A Approval of minutes of 10-13-08 regular board meeting and 10-30-08 special board meeting
6-B Approval of October 31, 2008, financial report presented by Chandler Snow.
6-C Approval to amend 2008-2009 Budget
6-D Approval of transfer student's application
The motion passed unanimously.

Review AYP (Adequate
Yearly Progress) Report

Linda Sims, Director of Instruction, reviewed the AYP report with Board members and noted that all five campuses have met AYP requirements. No action was required.

Review of Gold Performance
Acknowledgments

Linda Sims, Director of Instruction, explained the Gold Performance Acknowledgments to the Board and handed out a comparison of BISD's results from 2004 thru 2008. In 2004, BISD had 4 acknowledgments. The acknowledgments have steadily increased each year, and in 2008, 14 acknowledgments were received as follows:

District –

Commended Performance: Writing
Commended Performance: Social Studies
Recommended High School Program
Texas Success Initiative – Higher Education Readiness
Component: Mathematics

Breckenridge High School –

Recommended High School Program
Texas Success Initiative – Higher Education Readiness
Component: Mathematics

Breckenridge Junior High –

Commended Performance: Reading/English Lang. Arts
Commended Performance: Writing
Commended Performance: Social Studies
Comparable Improvement: Reading/English Lang. Arts
Comparable Improvement: Mathematics

South Elementary –

Commended Performance: Writing

North Elementary –

Commended Performance: Reading
Commended Performance: Mathematics

East Elementary –

N/A

BISD Alternative Ed –

N/A

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Upon inquiry, Ms. Sims explained that the rating is done by TEA (Texas Education Agency). There were no further questions and no action was required.

Consider Update 84 of
TASB Legal & Local
Policies
#13

Changes for Update 84 TASB legal and local policies were reviewed by Ms. Martin. Mr. Woodward made the motion seconded by Mr. Griffith 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 84 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Update of NHS
Standards for High School
Students
#14

Bryan Dieterich, High School Principal, reviewed changes that were needed for the National Honor Society, which mainly involved increasing the GPA requirements from 3.0 to 3.3 and eventually 3.5, and also requiring eligible students to have a certain number of hours to community service. Mr. Dieterich stated that the committee of teachers that reviewed these changes to be considered, have all been in the National Honor Society. After the committee checked with other surrounding districts, it was found that other districts have already increased their requirements to 3.3 or 3.5 GPA. Mr. Griffith made the motion seconded by Mr. McCullough to approve the Breckenridge High School handbook changes as recommended. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Woodward adjourned the meeting at 7:11 P. M.

Bryan Woodward, Board President

Date

Skip Griffith, Board Secretary