

## BOARD OF EDUCATION DOCUMENT 3

The Board of Trustees of the Breckenridge Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, September 14, 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, Todd Pennartz, Skip Griffith, Julie Erb, Sandy Morris, Koby Killion, and Bryan Woodward. All board members were present.

Mr. Edwards called the meeting to order at 6:32 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                                      Ms. Susan Fambrough, North Elementary Principal, gave the invocation.

### Superintendent's Report

Mr. Teel reported the following:

On behalf of the City of Bridgeport, Mr. Teel read to those in attendance a letter of gratitude to the Breckenridge community for their support, respect and compassion shown at the football game in Bridgeport on Friday, August 28, 2009, in memory of Leslie Denison, a Bridgeport student who lost her life in a tragic accident.

#### 1. District Recognitions:

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

- (a) Katelyn Maynard, East Elementary first grader in Ms. Holcomb's class, presented by Molly Peterson, principal
- (b) Liberty Blades, North Elementary second grader in Ms. Dye's & Ms. Martinez's dual classroom, presented by Susan Fambrough, principal
- (c) Students of the Month at South Elementary:
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Anthony Baeza
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Samantha Cooper
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Marlene Olverapresented by Jerry Overman, principal
- (d) Students of the Month at Junior High:
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade - Zane Knight in Ms. Yeager's class
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Tristan Boles in Ms. Burchett's classpresented by Lee Garner, principal

2. Other District Recognitions:

The new Buckaroo Queen and Great Lord Chamberlain for 2009-2010 are Nicole Fambro and Kelsey Davis .

Best All –Around: Chelsey Herrington & Ike Pesch  
Most Popular: Brooklyn Moore & David Howard  
Senior Class Favorite: Sydney Caffey & Cesar Martinez  
Jr. Class Favorite: Brooklynde Parks & Vance Sullivan  
Soph Class Favorite: Sara Davis & Caegan Mitchell  
Fresh Class Favorite: Ashley Fambro & Nathan Turner  
Congratulations to these students!

Athletes of the Month:

High School

Boy – Joe King  
Girl – Sydney Caffey

Junior High

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girl – Morgan Thompson  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girl – Brooke Moss

JH Boys have not yet participated.

3. District ADA:

Enrollment for September 1, 2009 was 1560 which is up 11 students compared to September 2, 2008, when enrollment was 1549. ADA (Average Daily Attendance) for 8/24/09 thru 9/10/09 for each campus was reported as follows:

Breckenridge High School	97.47%
BISD Alternative School	100.00%
Breckenridge Junior High	97.87%
East Elementary School	97.56%
North Elementary School	98.35%
South Elementary School	98.37%

The overall ADA totaled 97.87%.

4. Tax Collections: 97% of 2008 taxes collected through 8/31/09 compared to 97% of 2007 taxes collected through 8/31/08.

5. Scheduled Board Workshops

Legislative Update workshop has been rescheduled to allow board members to view this workshop online at their convenience.

Board/Administrative Workshop has been set for Tuesday, October 6, 2009, in the Board Room.

Announcements:

- Artwork in the board room is provided by Mrs. Toland's junior high students. The students did a worksheet that asked what the students liked; they then created the "Me" Collages displayed. These were displayed in the classroom so that students could learn more about each other. Thanks to Ms. Toland and her students for sharing their collages.
- The 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> B/A Football will play Vernon here, tomorrow, September 15<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 and 6:30 P.M.
- PTO will have a meeting tomorrow also at East Elementary at 5:30 P.M. On Wednesday, Sept 16<sup>th</sup>, Cross Country Boys & Girls will host the Buckaroo Cross Country Meet at the Breckenridge Country Club.
- The District LPAC Meeting will be this Wednesday also in the Board Room at 4:00 P.M.
- High School 9<sup>th</sup> & Varsity football will be against Vernon in Vernon on Thursday, Sept 17<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 and 7:00 P.M.
- Homecoming Festivities kick off this week. For BHS students/parents, meet at the courthouse tomorrow at 7:00 p.m to "paint the town/hill". Homecoming Parade is at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, 7:00 p.m., followed by a downtown pep rally. Immediately following the pep rally, student body and parents decorate the BHS football field. Friday is the District Wide Pep Rally at the football field at 9:45 a.m. The game against Vernon, begins at Buckaroo Stadium at 7:30 P.M., with pre-game festivities beginning at 6:45 p.m.
- Regional Jazz Band Auditions will be at Denton Ryan on Saturday, Sept 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Volleyball – 9, JV, V have their first district game here on September 25<sup>th</sup> against Graham with games at 5:00 and 6:00 p.m.

Comments from Public

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

Consent Agenda 6-A  
Through 6-F  
#1

Mr. Pennartz inquired if this was the final financial report for the year, and Mr. Marrs said that it was, pending any audit adjustments.

Board members also inquired about gifts and memorials, and were informed that these items when received required board approval.

Mr. Griffith made the motion seconded by Mr. Woodward to approve Consent Agenda Items as listed:

- 6-A Approval of minutes of 8-10-09 regular board meeting, 8-25-09 special board meeting, and 8-31-09 special board meeting

- 6-B Approval of August 31, 2009 financial report and quarterly investment report
  - 6-C Approval of 2009-2010 District and Campus Improvement Plans
  - 6-D Report of resignations
  - 6-E Approval of donation
  - 6-F Approval of 2009-2010 budget amendment
- The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Nominees for  
Stephens Co Tax Appraisal  
District Board of Directors  
#2

The BISD Board approved incumbent nominees for the Stephens Co Tax Appraisal District Board of Directors as follows:

- Stan Carstens
- David Duggan
- Curt McClymond
- Jerry Toland

Mr. Killion nominated BISD Trustee Skip Griffith to fill the vacated tax appraisal board position that is open due to the resignation of Chaunce Thompson. The nomination was seconded by Ms. Morris. The motion passed unanimously.

Update on Bilingual  
Program & Consider  
Bilingual Exception for  
2009-2010 School Year  
#3

Ms. Linda Sims, Director of Instruction, reviewed the bilingual program. Ms. Sims told the board that currently there are 100 students in the program with the breakdown as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Non-English</u>
Kindergarten	17	17
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	18	14
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	16	18

For 2009-2010 BISD has added second grade to the program with Ms. Dye as the English teacher and Ms. Martinez as the Spanish teacher. Ms. Sims said that BISD has 65 students in ESL in grades K -12. She stated that BISD is looking to the future on how to transition from self contained into departmental classes. The bilingual program is not a federal program, but Ms. Sims stated that due to ethnicity requirements, if a district has 20 or more students in any grade level that are Limited English Proficient, the district must file for a Bilingual Exception.

Ms. Sims explained that the Dual Language Program is 50% English and 50% Spanish. According to experts, from birth to 10 years, there is an open window for brain connection and learning. Ms. Sims also said that research

shows that Dual Language students experienced excellent results on TAKS tests.

Mr. Killion inquired how many of the second graders in the classes this year had been in the program the entire time. Ms. Peterson stated that nearly all of the students had been in the program from the initiation. As far as comparison to other students, the teachers are monitoring the scores and there are only 4 students that are struggling in the first grade, but the teachers are working with them closely. Mr. Griffith's daughter started in the program in first grade and he praised the program. Ms. Sims said that this program celebrates both cultures at the same time. One of the teachers is our own; she came to Texas from Mexico in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. The district is still working out schedules, and we have a teacher assistant that is now working towards her degree.

Mr. Woodward made the motion seconded by Ms. Erb that the board approve the district's 2009-2010 Bilingual Education Exception. The motion passes unanimously.

Consider 2008-2009 Final  
Budget Amendment  
#4

Mr. James Marrs, BISD Business Manager, reviewed the final budget amendment with the board. He explained that each function must have a positive balance at the year end. Otherwise, it would result in an audit finding when books are audited. The amendment totaled \$126,500. Mr. Marrs explained that basically, "unused function dollars" are applied to deficit accounts at the end of the year. If an expense occurs in the fiscal year, it must be expensed then.

The budget deficit for 2008-2009 totaled \$373,184 with maintenance over by \$120,800 and food service over by \$115,000.

Ms. Erb made the motion seconded by Ms. Morris that the board approve the final 2008-2009 budget amendments for revenues and expenditures as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Out of State Band  
Trip  
#5

Dane Richardson, Band Director, was present to answer any questions regarding a spring out of state band trip. Mr. Griffith asked if it was guaranteed that all students get to go on the trip. Mr. Richardson stated that this depends on the parents' wishes, but all have the opportunity to go. The

band and parents have many fund raisers that include selling magnetic signs, a golf tournament, and calendar sales. The band “shopped” companies for their fund raisers in order to make the most money possible. All students are very excited about this opportunity and the band has a fundraising carryover from last year, due to no trip being taken last year. All expenses are covered except for the bus to DFW and the bus trip home.

Mr. Griffith made the motion seconded by Mr. Killion that the board approve the out of state band trip to New York. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Out of State Trips for FCCLA National Officer #6

Ryan Rhodes, BHS senior, was available for questions regarding his trips that will be associated with his honor as elected national officer for Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). Ryan will be Vice President of Development and will meet with companies such as Nike, Sara Lee, and Cracker Barrel. Mr. Woodward asked how much trips would cost. As a part of Ryan’s honor, his travel, food and flight are all paid for. Also, Melissa Rhodes, his sponsor, will be attending the national meeting, and as a member of the council, her expenses for this will also be paid for. The only district expense that should be incurred by the district is a district workshop for Ms. Rhodes.

Ms. Morris made the motion seconded by Ms. Erb that the board approve out of state trips for Ryan Rhodes to attend required meetings as an elected national officer for Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Edwards adjourned the meeting at 7:42 P.M.

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**Weldon Edwards, Board President**

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**Date**

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**Julie Erb, Board Secretary**