

BALDWIN CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 348
P.O. Box 67
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BJHS Multi-Purpose Room
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting

BJHS MULTIPURPOSE ROOM
400 EISENHOWER
BALDWIN CITY, KS 66006

MONDAY
September 16, 2013
6:30 PM

The Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, September 16, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

- A. President Nick Harris called the Board of Education meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Board Members Nick Harris, Nikki Tiller, Chad Christie, Sandy Chapman, Ivan Huntoon, Gregory Kruger and Sheree Gill. Also attending were Superintendent Paul Dorathy and Clerk of the Board, Laura Hartman. Call to Order by Board President
- B. Sheree Gill moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Approval of Agenda
- C. Nick Harris moved and Sheree Gill seconded to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of the individuals to be discussed, and that we return to open session in this room in 20 minutes." Mr. Dorathy was invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:31 p.m. Executive Session
- Nick Harris moved and Chad Christie seconded to go into executive session for negotiation matters, and that we return to open session in this room in 9 minutes. Mr. Dorathy was invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.
- D. Sheree Gill moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to approve the Consent Agenda and the August 19, 2013 regular meeting, the monthly bills and payrolls. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Approval of Consent Agenda
- E. The board recognized the BHS State Track athletes. Recognition
- F. There were no public comments made at this time. Public Comment
- G. Sherri Gill moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the financial report as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Financial Report

Cynde reviewed each line item of the Capital Outlay Plan for 2013-14 and

projected out to 2017-18. Nick Harris moved and Sherri Gill seconded to approve the 2013-14 Capital Outlay Plan. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

- H. Rob McKim presented an update on the iPad initiative. Rob shared how the iPads are being used by the HS students. Rob reported there has been one accident with an iPad. Some concerns are the connectivity issues and reliability of the internet, but feels that this will improve. Positives from the students is they have the iPad in their hands all the time. Rob gave an example of a student that had been struggling in past years and has come along very well and this change has been attributed to the use of the iPad. Engagement of students and the iPad is high. ACT scores for the HS are 23.8 this year, prior years have been at 23.1, 22.8, 22.7. Rob said that 21.8 was the state average.

**Administrative
Reports**

Gary Stevanus reviewed the activity analysis for board members. Transportation appears to be going down each year. Use of the trailer helps to contribute to this savings. Taking students to events then sending the bus back so there are not 2 bus drivers staying at games has also contributed to savings.

Scott Crenshaw asked the board for permission to take BHS students to Florida for the study of turtles. 18 students are enrolled in Mr. Crenshaw's advance biology class. The trip is identical to last years trip. Nick Harris moved Sherri Gill seconded to approve the trip to Florida for the HS biology students. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Funding will come from class fundraising.

- I. Sandy Chapman moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the activities handbook as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Old Business

The board took a 5 minute break. Time: 8:00 p.m.

Stevens and Brand, attorneys from Lawrence were present to discuss their practice and experience. Brad Finkeldei spoke of their law firm to the board. Brad asked for questions from the board. \$150.00 per hour is the fee for schools and county. Normal fee is \$240.00 per hour. The board had discussion about this firm. Ivan Huntoon moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to appoint Stevens and Brand as board attorney. Motion passed with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Ivan Huntoon and Nick Harris excused themselves from the room because of a conflict of interest related to the Baker Parking lot agenda item. Sandy Chapman moved and Sherri Gill seconded to approve signature to the Baker Parking lot Quit Claim Deed. Motion carried with a vote of 5 yes and 0 no.

- J. The board was given policy CGE-348, 03-08, 03-09 to review.

New Business

- K. Chad Christie and Greg Kruger shared with the board the information he gathered at the last Co-op meeting. Chad and Greg said Patti Bishop is doing a great job. The Coop is in the process of getting packed up to move the first week of October. The handbook is also being reviewed.

**Board Member
Input**

Sandy shared that herself, Nikki, Sherri attended the site council meeting at the primary center. Sandy thanked Deb Ehling-Gwin for hosting the meeting.

- L. Mr. Dorathy gave an update on the Areas of Emphasis. Mr. Dorathy said this was the last year the district gets to “practice” at common core. He believes they will be ready for common core. Evaluation process has started. The new TalentEd process has some bugs that are being worked out. The classified evaluation is in the system, but the adjustments have not been made yet to that evaluation. 1:1 iPad initiative is up and running.

**Superintendent’s
Report**

Evaluation Operations Plan was worked on by the administrators this summer and they put together a “response procedures” book. Mr. Dorathy said the next step is that we need to practice what has been put into place. He added we will be doing lock down drills this year.

Mr. Dorathy asked the board for discussion about meeting locations for the rest of the 2013-14 school year. Chad Christie moved and Sheree Gill seconded to set locations for the BOE meetings for October at BHS/library, November at BESIC/library and December at BESPC/commons. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

The board agreed to set the remaining board meetings at one location to be decided at the December board meeting.

- M. No No additional executive session was needed.
N. Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the personnel report as amended. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

**Executive Session
Consider
Executive Session
Matters**

Nick Harris moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to affix proper board signature to contracts and work agreements. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.


Nick Harris moved and Sheree Gill seconded to approve the evaluation process to the negotiated agreement. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

- O. No additional discussion at this time.
P. Nikki Tiller moved and Nick Harris seconded to adjourn the regular board meeting. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time 8:47 p.m.

Discussion Items


Adjournment

Approved:



Nick Harris, President
Board Of Education

Attest:



Laura E. Hartman
Clerk of the Board