

BALDWIN CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 348
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting

DISTRICT OFFICE
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MONDAY
March 8, 2010
6:30 PM

- A. President Alison Bauer called the Board of Education meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Board Members Alison Bauer, Ruth Barkley, Blaine Cone, Ande Parks, Scott Lauridsen, Joshua Mihesuah and Bill Busby. Also attending were Superintendent Paul Dorathy and Clerk of the Board, Laura Morford. *Call to Order by Board President*
- B. Ruth Barkley moved and Ande Parks seconded to approve the amended agenda. Addition under new business, 2. Library media specialist and Recognition, Kit Harris journalism class and BHS wrestlers. *Approval of Amended Agenda*
Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.
- C. Ande Parks moved and Bill Busby seconded to go into executive session to discuss negotiations in order to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract, and that we return to open session in this room in 10 minutes. Mr. Dorathy was invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:33 p.m. *Executive Session*
Ande Parks moved and Blaine Cone 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 16 minutes. Mr. Dorathy was invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:44 p.m.
- D. Blaine Cone moved and Bill Busby seconded to approve the Consent Agenda and the February 8, 2010 regular board meeting; and the monthly operating account in the amount of \$443,380.48, bond account in the amount of *Approval of Consent Agenda*

\$822,359.64 and payrolls in the amount of \$593,351.74.

- E. The board recognized the following journalism students from Kit Harris' class:

Recognition

@ KSPA Regional competition

Feb. 26

FIRST PLACE:

Josh Hanson, Infographics

Brandon Kraus, Newspaper Sports Writing

SECOND PLACE:

Chelsea Turk, Advertising

Ann Wallsmith, Editing & Feature Writing

Erin Jansen, Editorial Cartoon

Brandon Kraus, Yearbook Sports Writing

HONORABLE MENTION:

Taylor Brown, Infographics

Erin Jansen, News Writing

Julie Hill, Editorial Cartoon

Chelsea Turk, Editorial Writing

*BHS had 3rd most state qualifying entries of all 3A-4A schools competing

and the following BHS wrestlers:

State Qualifiers:

Bryce Shoemaker, STATE CHAMPION

Andrew Morgan

Colby Soden

Josh Hanson, 3rd place at State

Greg Schiffelbein

Will Von Bargaen

Heath Parmley

*team was 3rd at regionals, 9th at state

Also, BHS assistant coach Joel Eberhart was named the KWCA 4A

Assistant Coach of the Year

Kit Harris' Journalism class and BHS Wrestlers for their accomplishments.

- F. None given.

Public Comment

- G. Cynde Frick reported to the Board regarding the school district's present cash balances and budget standing.

Financial Report

Bill Busby moved and Joshua Mihesuah seconded to approve the financial report as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

H. Mr. Dorathy updated the board on curriculum.

Administrative
Reports

I. Ande Parks moved and Ruth Barkley seconded to approve Policy 05-17 Discipline be moved from the negotiated agreement and placed in policy as Policy GAAF, Discipline. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Old Business

Bill Busby moved and Ruth Barkley seconded to amend policy JH-348 Student Activities -06-38 Guidelines for establishing new activity programs. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Mr. Dorathy presented the board with the Fact Finding Committee Report. He asked if the board would like to schedule a special meeting March 22, 2010 as a work session with the committee. This meeting would give the board an opportunity to ask questions of the committee about the findings. The board agreed to hold a special meeting March 22, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the board room of the district office.

The board continued discussion about the 360 degree evaluation and the direction to go with this instrument. Alison will send the document to board members to review. The board will continue the discussion at the next regular board meeting.

The board continued discussion from the last regular board meeting about the naming of facilities. The board agreed to form a sub committee to put a policy together. Ande Parks and Ruth Barkley will serve as the sub committee and meet with Mr. Dorathy as well.

J. Mr. Dorathy gave the board new policy FA, Naming of Facilities for the the board to review. The board decided to table this item until the sub committee brings policy wording to the board for review.

New Business

Ande Parks shared two documents with the board concerning library media personnel and the affects of a media center on education. Ande said we have a proposal from Administration on how to organize how our libraries are run. Ande said he felt like the board should have this discussion in open session to remain transparent. Ande shared concern to keep a balance within our district with strong consideration of the educational impact. Mr. Dorathy said the recommendation is to not hire librarians/media specialist for next year, but hire certified library aides. We would be able to hire 5 aides to cover the buildings. This would mean we would have a district librarian that oversees these aides. We would have more coverage, then we would with hiring back library media specialist. Mr. Dorathy agreed with Ande's concerns about the impact on the educational needs of students. Mr. Dorathy said the timing issue is at hand, if you want to hire a good library media specialist, that would need to occur now. The certified library aide position would present a larger pool to choose from because this person would first look for a regular teaching job. If they would not find this position, then they might be apt to take a position as a library aide. Ande felt it was important that whatever the board decides, we should definitely staff the library throughout the day. Ande asked if the board

would be able to act on this next month. Mr. Dorathy suggested it would be better if we wait. The board tabled the discussion.

K. Blaine Cone updated board members on the Coop.

Board Member
Input

Ruth Barkley invited board members to attend the state of district luncheon, March

Alison Bauer reported governmental relations seminar. Prosperity in every state equates with educated people. Please voice your opinion to your legislators.

L. March 16 education rally in Topeka. Mr. Dorathy will be out of town next week over spring break. Mr. Dorathy said we had about an \$18,700 savings from energy use in buildings. Buildings will be shut down over Spring Break to help save more money.

Superintendent's
Report

M. No further executive session needed.

Executive Session

N. Blaine Cone moved and Bill Busby seconded to approve personnel report as presented.

Consider
Executive Session
Matters

Recommendations:

Joel Eberhart	BHS	Assistant Baseball Coach	Move from 5% to 3%
Brice Soeken	BHS	Assistant Baseball Coach	1%
Roger Davidson	BHS	Assistant Baseball Coach	1%

Retiring:

Judy Wagner	BHS	Custodian
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Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Ande Parks moved and Alison Bauer seconded to ratify the negotiated Policy 05-28a, Certified Staff Early Retirement Plan. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

O. No other discussion at this time.

Discussion Items

P. Bill Busby moved and Alison Bauer seconded to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 8:45 p.m.

Adjournment

Approved:

Attest:

Alison Bauer, President
Board of Education

Laura Morford
Clerk of the Board