

ELIZABETH SCHOOL DISTRICT C-1

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BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD ROOM, DISTRICT OFFICE MINUTES OF MEETING FINAL December 8, 2014 (Business Session Meeting)

A Business Session Board Meeting of the Elizabeth School District was held on Monday, December 8, 2014, in the Board Room, District Office.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

President Deb Spenceley called the Business Session BOE Meeting to order at 7:05pm.

ROLL CALL:

The following BOE Directors were present:

Director Carol Hinds

Director Dee Lindsey

Director Chris Richardson

Director Deb Spenceley

Director Chip Swan (via phone)

Also present:

Superintendent, Douglas Bissonette

Executive Administrative Assistant/Communication Director, Michele McCarron

Chief Finance Director, Ron Patera Technology Director, Marty Silva

HR Director, Kin Shuman

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Deb Spenceley led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4.0 EDUCATION SHOWCASE

Melanie Darter, Family and Consumer Sciences teacher at Elizabeth High School introduced the students in this year's teacher cadet program.

The Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) chapter at Elizabeth High School hosted a basketball tournament to raise money to assist the Neelley family in paying for Hunter's medical bills. The tournament, which took place on November 11th, raised \$2107.90 which was presented to the Neelley family at the school's assembly on Friday, December 5th.

Tammy Krueger, Principal, gave a presentation to the board on the various activities taking place at Running Creek Elementary.

- Preschool new to Running Creek Elementary with over 60 students enrolled
- RCE celebrated their 25th anniversary

- Several students and families participated in the national walk/bike to school day
- Veterans Day participation included flag ceremony, letter writing to people serving in the military, and a visit to the memorial in Elizabeth
- Montgolfier day was a celebration for the first recorded hot air balloon flight which took place in 1783
- Monthly parent and principal coffee for informal gathering and conversation
- Destination Imagination event with the purpose to inspire and equip students to become the next generation of innovators and leaders
- Christmas Caroling by students and families scheduled for December 17

5.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/BLANKET MOTION

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

Motion moved by Director Hinds Motion seconded by Director Richardson

ROLL CALL:

Director Carol Hinds – aye Director Dee Lindsey - aye Director Chris Richardson - aye Director Deb Spenceley - aye Director Chip Swan - aye The motion carried 5-0

6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.1 Motion to approve the minutes from 11/12/14 as written. Motion Moved by Director Hinds Motion Seconded by Director Richardson

ROLL CALL:

Director Carol Hinds – aye
Director Dee Lindsey - aye
Director Chris Richardson - aye
Director Deb Spenceley - aye
Director Chip Swan - aye
The motion carried 5-0

6.2 Motion to approve the minutes from 11/10/14 as written. Motion Moved by Director Hinds

Motion Seconded by Director Richardson

ROLL CALL:

Director Carol Hinds – aye
Director Dee Lindsey - aye
Director Chris Richardson - aye
Director Deb Spenceley - aye
Director Chip Swan - aye
The motion carried 5-0

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS
7.1 District Health Services

Janet Hatt, District Nurse, shared an overview on the various health services our school district provides to students. These health services allow students with health challenges to attend school. As the one District Nurse for the school district, Janet is responsible for all medical and medication delegation.

7.2 State Assessment Update

Rob McMullen, Principal at Frontier High School and the district's designated assessment coordinator provided an update to the board on testing. The following are the state/federal as well as district assessments.

State/Federal

- CMAS
- PARCC
- ACT
- I-Ready
- · Teaching Strategies Gold
- NAEP
- ACCESS for ELL

District

- MAP
- CogAT
- AP

Rob McMullen shared the calendar of the testing window which starts the week of January 12 and concludes the week of May 15. There are very few weeks this spring that do not include some type of testing.

7.3 Chief Financial Officer

During the financial report, Ron Patera, Chief Financial Officer, explained the fund balance is higher than originally anticipated due to one-time revenue that came in. The Board of Education asked to look into the feasibility of taking some of the fund balance to address some of the critical and urgent infrastructure needs. In addition the board asked to look into certificates of participation as a potential avenue to address some of the higher cost issues facing the district such as the roofs and buses.

7.4 HR Update

Kin Shuman, Director of Human Resources stated he expects to publicly post the principal position at EHS in late January. Interviews are likely to occur in mid to late February, extending into March if needed. Kin Shuman will be scheduling a series of meetings in mid-January to hear what students, staff, and community members value in a principal and to understand their views on strengths, challenges, and vision for the future of the school.

7.5 Technology Update

Marty Silva, Technology Director, gave a tech update to the board. Marty Silva is starting a Tech Committee which will meet once a month to discuss technical issues going on in the schools and to look at options and solutions for the tech issues. The committee consisting of mostly of teachers will also promote technology and be tech evangelist for their site.

7.6 Superintendent Report

In the Superintendent Report by Douglas Bissonette, a draft calendar for the school year 2015-2016 was discussed. It is very similar to this year, with no significant changes.

Brad Goldsberry, graduated from Elizabeth High School in 2011 is now a big part of MIT's new found football success. Brad was recently named Offensive Player of the Week. Brad is a senior at MIT majoring in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science.

Mr. Bissonette will be starting a student advisory council, including elementary students, EMS students, and EHS students to meet periodically through the year to understand how things are going at the schools.

The district has received over 100 responses to the recent survey on the post-election results. The survey was emailed to all staff and all parents. We are in the process of sending a direct mail post card to all residents in Elizabeth asking them to complete the survey and inviting them to the Town Hall meeting on January 20. The Town Hall is open to the public and is for interested stakeholders to learn more about the budget and how money is being spent, and for community members to provide feedback on the allocation of resources and cost saving options.

7.7 Board of Education

The board recently attended the CASB convention which was a great opportunity to learn from their colleagues in other school districts throughout the state.

7.8 Public Participation

No Public Participation

8.1 CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda 8.1 through 8.7 as presented Motion Moved by Director Richardson Motion Seconded by Director Lindsey

ROLL CALL:

Director Carol Hinds – aye Director Dee Lindsey - aye Director Chris Richardson - aye Director Deb Spenceley - aye Director Chip Swan - aye The motion carried 5-0

8.1 Terminations/Resignations/Non-Renewals

Glenn Albert, Teacher, EMS Brenda Visioli, Teacher, SHE Gayle Gettig, Driver Trainer, Trans Miranda Kilpatrick, Sped Para, Trans

8.2 New Hires

Jody Tipton, Custodian, SHE Kendel Kochivar, Custodian, Floater Mata Pardo, Tech Asst Library, EMS Jason Bahr, Teacher, EMS Kristina Ward, Sped Para, SHE/PS Megan Scully, Teacher, SHE

8.3 Transfers/Changes

Larry Lorimer, Custodian, SHE Amy Clark, Sped Para Attendent, SHE

8.4 Substitutes

8.5 2014-2015 Extra Duty Assignments

8.6 Mill Levy certification for 2015

8.7 Disposition of district property

9.0 Action Items

9.1 Approval of District Calendar 2015-2016

9.2 Approval of Frontier High School Calendar 2015-2016

A motion was made to approve 9.1 and 9.2 Motion Moved by Director Richardson Motion Seconded by Director Lindsey

ROLL CALL:

Director Carol Hinds – aye Director Dee Lindsey - aye Director Chris Richardson - aye Director Deb Spenceley - aye Director Chip Swan - aye The motion carried 5-0

10.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS

No Discussion Items

11.0 BOARD PLANNING

The next board meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2015.

12.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

The board meeting adjourned at 9:26pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deb Spenceley, Presiden

Chip Swan, Vice President

Chris Richardson, Secretary

Carol Hinds, Treasurer

Dee Lindsey, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Recorded by: Michele McCarron