

MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1
Board of Education Minutes – Regular Meeting
August 4, 2015

The President called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Urista called roll. Those present were Tom Allen, Kurt Blunt, Mindy Burke, Marnell Bradfield, Bill deVergie, Bud Ridings and Todd Shults.

Mr. Blunt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Burke moved to approve Revised Agenda as presented with addition of Personnel Hires: Action item A.2. - Middle School Football Coaches: Assistant - Jason Browning, Volunteer - Chip Brown and Weeg (Clinton) Kilduff - pending background check; Action item A.3. - Cross Country Volunteer Coaches: Kris Casey, Terrence Casias, John Strate; Action item A.4. - Agriculture Education Teacher - Tera Shults (long term substitute); Action item A.5. - Elementary Paraprofessional – Shey Musgrave. Mr. Shults seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

There was no General Public Comment Session.

Consent Agenda Items:

Approval: Minutes from Special Board Meetings on July 7, 2015 and July 24, 2015 – No discussion.

Acceptance: Financial Reports – Quarterly Report – Mr. Selle noted that beginning fund balance will possibly increase this year due mainly to underspending of roughly \$297,000 and extra revenue of roughly \$237,000. These figures are unaudited. Historically, underspending has been fairly consistent but a large amount of this savings is due to the four day week. Mr. Selle plans to write a newspaper article to update the community of the finances of the district.

Acceptance: Check Vouchers – June 30, 2015 – No discussion.

Approval: School District Legal Counsel for 2015-2016 – Semple, Farrington & Everall, P.C. – Should be acknowledged every year.

Approval: School District Financial Auditor – Holscher, Mayberry & Company, LLC - Should be acknowledged every year.

Ms. Burke moved to approve the Consent Agenda with discussion. Mr. Blunt seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

Public/Committee Reports:

Brad Bauer introduced Mark Fishbein, the district's newly hired school psychologist. Mr. Fishbein has many years of experience and should be a great asset to the district.

Principal Reports:

There were no current Principal Reports.

Superintendent Report:

Please see attached Superintendent Report from Agenda.

Action Items:

A. Approval: Personnel Hires

1. Softball Volunteer Coaches – George Ibarra, Lance Pryce, Andy Shaffer, Janae Shelton, Chris Williams
2. Middle School Football Coaches: Assistant - Jason Browning, Volunteer - Chip Brown and Weeg (Clinton) Kilduff - pending background check.
3. Cross Country Volunteer Coaches: Kris Casey, Terrence Casias and John Strate.
4. Agriculture Education Teacher - Tera Shults (long term substitute).
5. Elementary Paraprofessional - Shey Musgrave.

Ms. Burke motioned to approve A. Personnel Hires 1 through 5, pending according background checks. Mr. Ridings seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

B. Approval: Resolution in support of County Broadband Project.

Blake Mobley reported on behalf of Rio Blanco County. He said the construction should start within three to four weeks if the resolution with the Meeker School District is approved. This project will allow for the district to upgrade viable strands of fiber from two to four strands.

Mrs. Bradfield read the Resolution in support of the Rio Blanco County Broadband Initiative.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY BROADBAND INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, the Meeker School District RE1 Board of Education is a public entity that provides educational services to children in Rio Blanco County; and

WHEREAS, the Meeker School District RE1 has partnered with Rio Blanco County on initiatives to support education; and

WHEREAS, appropriate technology infrastructure has become essential to deliver educational services; and

WHEREAS, Rio Blanco County has engaged in an initiative to implement and maintain an information technology infrastructure that can bring fiber to the home in Meeker; and

WHEREAS, continued collaboration between Rio Blanco County and Meeker School District RE1 shall facilitate in implementation of a county IT infrastructure

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Meeker School District RE1 Board of Education declares its support for Rio Blanco County's broadband vision by authorizing Rio Blanco County and its broadband partners to run fiber lines through school property and to maintain those lines once installed.

DATED this 4th day of August, 2015

Ms. Burke motioned to approve the Resolution in support of the Rio Blanco County Broadband Initiative, with a second from Mr. Ridings. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

Executive Session:
Executive Session not needed.

Other Board of Education Information:

Mr. Allen reported for Meeker Education Foundation. He stated the foundation has approved two applications for small grants for high school language arts and high school science. Meeker Education Foundation will have more approvals in September.

Ms. Burke, Mr. Ridings and Mr. Allen will attend the Fall CASB Conference in Grand Junction on September 4, 2015.

The WREA sponsored district fish fry for all staff and their families will be held at City Park on August 12 at 4:00 p.m. The district breakfast for all staff will be held at Barone Middle School cafeteria on August 14 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjourned 7:46 p.m.

Bill deVergie, President

Mindy Burke, Vice President

Marnell Bradfield, Secretary/Treasurer

Tom Allen, Member

Kurtis Blunt, Member

Bud Ridings, Member

Todd Shults, Member