

MEEKER SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1
Board of Education Minutes – Regular Meeting
May 17, 2016

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 Kevin Amack, Bill deVergie, Robert Dorsett, Bud Ridings, Todd Shults and David Smith.

Absent: Tom Allen

Dr. Dorsett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Smith moved to approve the Revised Agenda as presented with additions of: 1. Approval Personnel Hires c. HS Math - Diane Ewing, Elementary PE - Cody Smith, HS Ag. Ed. - Denee Chintala; d. Paraprofessionals: Library - Ann Franklin, Elem. Classroom - Kaila Sandquist, High School Credit Recovery - Haley Kracht and e. Substitute Teacher - Brittany Bennett, Temporary classified substitute - Andrea Urista. Mr. Shults seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

Student Celebrations: 5th Grade Activities – Mrs. Grieser and Mrs. Strate brought some of the students in their classes to present their projects that they have been working on. Brealyn Garcia and Kaden Franklin presented about the Destination Imagination team that they compete with which has been together since Kindergarten. Deana Wood and Melaynie Wangnild talked about bully education and identified what an “upstander”, a “bystander”, a “victim” and a “bully” are in a situation. Grace Roberts presented as Harriet Tubman evolving from a slave child to a free woman. Austin Lopez presented his Robotics project while Cyros Halandras presented his project on Hunting Tags. Kate Lockwood finished the presentation with her project on Animal Live A World of Animal Thoughts. These presentations are just a handful of projects available to view for the Meeker Elementary’s Night at the Museum Program.

There was no General Public Comment.

Consent Agenda

Approval: Minutes from Regular Board Meeting on April 19, 2016

Approval: Minutes from Special Board Meeting on May 3, 2016

Acceptance: Financial Reports and Check Vouchers for April 2016

Mr. Smith moved to approve the consent agenda with a second from Mr. Shults.

Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

Public/Committee Reports: DAC, BAC, Meeker Education Foundation, BOCES

DAC – The DAC met and continues to review the current Strategic Plan. The group plans to formulate a guiding document that sets the purpose of the district.

MEF – MEF received approval from the Fairfield Foundation in receiving \$52,000 in grant funds to be used for the 16/17 school year. The Fairfield funds are all for grants. MEF is continuing to fund raise for the professional development and curriculum plan.

ES – Additions to the Elementary Principal Report.

The Preschool family night is changed to May 31, 2016 and the Kindergarten parent meeting will be from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. on May 19, 2016

Middle School Report - The Track team has completed their season. The 8th grade girls, and 7th grade boys each ended up in second place at the end of season WYO/COLO Track meet in Baggs, WY. 7th graders Spud Kent, Colby Clatterbaugh, Cooper Main, and Jeremy Woodward broke the Barone Middle Schools' 1600 m relay record set back in 1993 with a time of 4:36.

Barone Middle School held their fifth annual Career Day on Thursday, May 5 with a bunch of excellent presenters. We would like to thank our partners Margie Joy with PMC and Trina Zagar-Brown with WREA for all their help. Once again this year, PMC provided lunch for the teachers and presenters.

With the end of the school year Barone Middle School is wrapping up what has been a fantastic art partnership with Mr. Quinn and the high school art appreciation class thanks to the efforts of Georgann Amack. The project was funded through donations from Mrs. Amack and grants from the Meeker Education Foundation. Much of the students' art is on display until Thursday, May 19 at the Meeker Elementary School Library.

The 6th grade leadership team that is a part of the school's student council hosted a school dance on Thursday, May 12.

Mary Gillespie, from the USFS has graced our halls once again this year in all our grade levels with bird presentations and the students' spring bird walks.

Up-Coming Events:

MAP Testing – May 23-May 24

BMS Awards – May 26 at 2:30pm

Finals – May 31 – June 2 during the mornings

BMS End-of-year Academies will be held during the afternoons of May 31 – June 2.

HS – Additions to the High School Principal Report

Track will be sending 19 kids to State that qualified in Track.

MS/HS Choir and Band Concert will take place May 24, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. along with National Honor Society Induction.

On Tuesday May 24, 2016 MHS will host the Senior “send off” and will show the senior show.

Finals will be held during the week of May 31, 2016.

Baccalaureate is set for June 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. and is hosted by the Ministerial Alliance.

School Board Breakfast with the Seniors will be Friday June 2, 2016.

Graduation is June 4, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the high school gym.

The high school had a successful awards assembly and noted they had six students with perfect attendance this year.

Mrs. Chinn would like to give a thank you to Michelle Morgan for organizing Chamber Bucks to be given to students with perfect attendance this year.

The high school staff was touched with the staff appreciation shirts that were given to them and also for the support during this school year. The staff consequently provided a Thank You supper for the Board, Superintendent and Financial Secretaries.

Superintendent Report additions – A full day Kindergarten survey was sent to all Preschool parents asking for their input. Thirty one surveys were received with 29 being positive for the full day change and two

asking for more information, mainly wondering if there will be a tuition fee involved. Main classes will be spread throughout the day affording discovery and appropriate recess time for these students.

The Preliminary Budget Presentation includes: full day kindergarten, add additional 5th grade class, credit recovery para, step plus one make up step for staff involved and PERA increases putting the current deficit at roughly \$699,000. This will change slightly when the new hires are selected. Utilities and fuel expenses are decreased significantly due mainly to four day week savings. It was also noted that special districts have continued their support of our district and help in many different ways.

Hellas Construction, Krule Construction and SGM met with the district on Monday May 16, 2016 to review updates and the startup plan. Equipment will be moved to the job sight starting Thursday May 19, 2016. Mr. Selle also explained the need to not use district funds for the project, however to host a track meet we will likely need to purchase the equipment involved such as hurdles and a pole vault. Timing and scoring equipment is typically rented for these types of meets.

Action Items:

1. Approval: Personnel Hires
 - a. High School Girls Basketball - Jamie Rogers (Head Coach)
 - b. 2016-2017 Fall and Winter High School Coaches
 - Head Football: Shane Phelan
 - Head Volleyball: Janae Stanworth
 - Head Cross Country: Marty Casey
 - Head Softball: Briana Williams
 - Head Wrestling: JC Watt
 - Head Girls Basketball: Jamie Rogers
 - Head Boys Basketball: Klark Kindler
 - Head Cheer: Becky Ridings
 - c. Teachers: 2nd Grade - Boadachia, HS Math - Diane Ewing, Elementary PE - Cody Smith, HS Ag. Ed. - Denee Chintala
 - d. Paraprofessionals: Library - Ann Franklin, Elem. Classroom - Kaila Sandquist, High School Credit Recovery - Haley Kracht
 - e. Substitute Teacher - Brittany Bennett, Temporary classified substitute - Andrea Urista

Mr. Smith moved to approve personnel hires with a second from Mr. Amack. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

2. Approval: Everyday Mathematics Quote

Discussion about what all is included with the subscription ensued. The subscription includes home links, homework help, online videos, and computer hot links. This is a five year subscription which teaches the conceptual side of math and then the algorithm.

3. Approval: 2016 Educator Effectiveness Assurances

4. Approval: 2016-2017 Salary Schedules.

A maximum of ten year experience will still be given to newly hired staff which helps control budget increases. Horizontal movement still must be within teaching area.

Mr. deVergie moved to approve action items 2, 3, and 4 with a second from Mr. Shults. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

5. Approval: Policy 2nd reading: AD

Mr. Shults moved to approve action item 5 with a second from Mr. Smith. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

6. Approval: Policy 2nd reading: GBA, GBB, GBB-R, GBEA, GBGAB, and GBGG
Noting - GBB - strike comma after working conditions.

Mr. deVergie moved to approve action item 6 with a second from Mr. Smith. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

7. Approval: Policy 2nd reading: GCE/GCF and GCE/GCF-R

Noting change of verbiage to "it is not possible to foresee all contingencies requiring extra duties of staff".

Mr. deVergie moved to approve action item 7 with a second from Mr. Smith. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

8. Approval: Policy 2nd reading: GDE/GDF, GDE/GDF-R, and GDQD

Mr. deVergie moved to approve action item 8 with a second from Mr. Amack. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

9. Approval: Policy 2nd reading: IHCD, IKFA and IKFA-R

Discussion revolved around IHCD and making sure that in the future, students repay their tuition if they fail and/or drop out of the concurrent enrollment class.

Mr. deVergie moved to approve action item 9 with a second from Mr. Amack. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

10. Approval: Policy 1st reading: DB

Mr. Shults moved to approve action item 10 with a second from Mr. Smith. Roll Call Vote: all members aye.

Other Board of Education Information:

The Board discussed approaches to communicate with the community surrounding the budget reserves, deficit and plan of the board and district with funding. If it is determined a mill levy override is needed communication with community will start in the Spring of 2017. Mr. Amack and Dr. Dorsett will bring a letter to revise at the next board meeting.

Barone Middle School sent a Thank You picture to the Board also valuing the staff appreciation shirts.

Executive Session:

No Executive Session needed.

Adjourned 8:50 p.m.

Bud Ridings, President

Bill deVergie, Secretary/Treasurer

Kevin Amack, Member

Robert Dorsett, Member

Todd Shults, Member

David Smith, Member