

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
BYERS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 32J
November 18, 2010**

OPENING ACTIVITIES

Call to Order: A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mrs. Laurie Kitzman, President, in the Lecture Hall at Byers School District, 444 E. Front Street, Byers, Colorado.

Roll Call and Declaration of a Quorum: Members present were Rodney Brockelman, Laurie Kitzman, Becca Pope, Shannon Roth, Debbie Steitz, Woodie West.

ABSENT: Mike Pugh

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

BOARD REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mrs. West moved, Mrs. Steitz seconded, to approve the agenda with the following additions: add Senior Trip presentation; add employment of Phoenix Bright – Volunteer HS Girls Basketball Coach, Brooklyne Coulter – Volunteer HS Girls Basketball Coach; add Football Field discussion.

AYE: Rodney Brockelman, Laurie Kitzman, Becca Pope, Shannon Roth, Debbie Steitz, Woodie West
Motion Carried 6-0

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Roth noted a change on the minutes from the October 21st meeting. He did not second the motion to approve the employment of Dan Zufall. Mr. West moved, Mr. Brockelman seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting October 21, 2010 as amended; approve the financial report; approve the employment of Shannon Roth – Volunteer HS Wrestling Coach, Phoenix Bright – Volunteer HS Girls Basketball Coach, Brooklyne Coulter – Volunteer HS Girls Basketball Coach; approve policies AE, AED, IHA, JLCD, JLCDA, LBD, JKA-1 on a 3rd reading.

AYE: Rodney Brockelman, Laurie Kitzman, Becca Pope, Shannon Roth, Debbie Steitz, Woodie West
Motion Carried 6-0

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

Presentations: Jordan Dodge and Evan Steitz addressed the Board on behalf of the Senior class regarding the Senior class trip. The class would like to go to Honolulu, Hawaii March 20-24, which falls during Spring Break. The class sent information home to parents with five choices. The trip will cost \$975/student. The students who are going have already earned over ½ of their trip cost. The students plan on visiting Pearl Harbor, North Shore, Diamond Head, along with snorkeling and some other activities. The students asked for the Board's approval.

Mrs. Mitchell informed the Board that Byers Elementary school would be recognized in the Colorado Literacy Framework manual. CDE came out to Byers to observe our literacy program while putting together the Colorado Literacy Framework manual.

Public Address: None

ACTION ITEMS

Add Senior Class Trip Approval: Mr. West moved, Mrs. Steitz seconded to add the Senior Class trip approval to the agenda.

AYE: Rodney Brockelman, Laurie Kitzman, Becca Pope, Shannon Roth, Debbie Steitz, Woodie West
Motion Carried 6-0

Certify Mill Levy: Mr. West moved, Mrs. Pope seconded to approve the mill levy as presented and gave the administration the authority to modify the amounts as necessary if the assessed valuation changes prior to December 10th.

AYE: Rodney Brockelman, Laurie Kitzman, Becca Pope, Shannon Roth, Debbie Steitz, Woodie West
Motion Carried 6-0

Senior Class Trip: Mrs. Steitz moved, Mr. West seconded to approve the Senior Class Trip to Honolulu March 20-24.

AYE: Rodney Brockelman, Laurie Kitzman, Becca Pope, Shannon Roth, Debbie Steitz, Woodie West
Motion Carried 6-0

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Administrative Report: Mr. Turrell reported that the new boiler in the 4-plex is working well. It got tested with the change in the weather. There were a few kinks at first, but all seems to be working now. The new phone system was installed. We are working through the nuances of anything new, but basically it all seems to be ok. Mr. Turrell reported on the sump pump in the elementary. A jump rope had gotten caught in the motor which caused all kinds of problems. The bids for bus-barn siding, apartment renovations, and roofing are due tomorrow. Mr. Turrell will have a comparison at the next meeting so a decision can be made on all the projects. Mr. Turrell addressed the roof. The insurance money does not seem sufficient to do anything adequate in terms of replacing the roof. We are having the insurance company come back out to re-assess the damage. Mr. Turrell is hoping the insurance money can be used as the 50% match for a BEST grant through the state. The Garland Company can help us with a grant and the repair process. Mr. Turrell plans on having them present information at the December meeting.

Committee Reports:

Legislative – None

BOCES – At the last meeting, they reviewed the employment/resignations and approved the budget. They discussed the lawsuit concerning RHIP. They also discussed the rules violation concerning the VNETS.

CHSAA – Next meeting at CASB conference.

Personnel – None

Buildings/Grounds – The committee needs to meet with Mr. Turrell regarding the boiler leak.

Policy – Mrs. Sondburg will put new policies in books if you bring them to her.

Accountability – Next meeting November 22nd, 3:45 p.m., District Library

Football Field presentation: The Board asked Mr. Turrell to explain what happened with the football field. Mr. Turrell explained that the Pro Grow that was put on the field was the same as has been put on the field in the past. The problem was addressed with A1 Organics. They agreed that we would not be charged for the load that was delivered. They are also going to comp another load in the spring. The Board asked if the company would come and help clean up the field as we have already put a lot of time into it. Mr. Turrell will address this with the company.

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CLOSING ACTIVITIES

Agenda Items for Next Board Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Thursday, December 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Lecture Hall at Byers School District, 444 E. Front Street. Items for the next meeting include approval of the final budget, superintendent evaluation, resolution for final mill levy, roof presentation, bids for bus-barn siding and apartment renovations, and a CASB update, along with anything else that arises prior to that time.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Mr. West moved, Mr. Brockelman seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

AYE: Rodney Brockelman, Laurie Kitzman, Becca Pope, Shannon Roth, Debbie Steitz, Woodie West
Motion Carried 6-0

President

Secretary