

BURTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 25, 2010

The Board of Trustees of Burton Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, January 25, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the Burton High School cafeteria.

Board Members present:

Sam Gibson, Terri Smith, Karen Tappe, Marcus Broesche, Demetrius Colvin, Sr.

Board Members absent:

David Dealy, Roy Schmidt

Administrators present:

Superintendent James Palmer, Principals Karen Steenken and Cheryl DaBera, Sheila Ripple, Business Clerk

Visitor: Jim Plummer - Auditor

The following business was transacted:

1. The meeting was called to order by President Sam Gibson. A prayer was given by Marcus Broesche, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sam Gibson.
2. Open Forum
None
3. The 2008-2009 Financial Audit Report was presented by Jim Plummer, C.P.A. representing John R. Pechacek, C.P.A. A motion was made by Mr. Broesche and seconded by Mr. Colvin to designate \$1.3 million to future construction. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Broesche and seconded by Mr. Colvin to approve the audit subject to the previous motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Principals' Report
 - a. Karen Steenken, secondary campus principal reported the enrollment at the secondary campus is 151 students. (7th – 20, 8th – 26, 9th – 26, 10th – 29, 11th – 29, 12th – 21). She also reported the secondary campus is developing a literacy program.

Superintendent Palmer reported that a Jr. High Softball team is being organized. Twelve girls have signed up. The coach will be Bonnie Kunkel, and old uniforms will be used. The games will be on Monday nights.

Cheryl DaBera, elementary principal reported the enrollment at the elementary school is 192 students. (Pre-K – 14, K – 25, 1st – 37, 2nd – 17, 3rd – 25, 4th – 29, 5th – 31, 6th – 14).

Mrs. DaBera also reported the following:

February 18, 2010 – Parent Involvement Night (5 p.m. – 7 p.m.)
Free DNA/Fingerprinting sign-up opportunities will be offered by Woodmen of the World

February 15 – 18, 2010 – Book Fair in library

Playground Update - If weather permits (no rain), site prep should be completed in 7-10 days. Equipment installation will be in another 10-14 days.

5. Superintendent's Report
 - a. Superintendent Palmer reported the district has approximately \$1.6 million in bond funds available.
6. A motion was made by Mr. Broesche and seconded by Mr. Colvin to approve the consent agenda as presented excluding the bills. Motion passed unanimously.
- 6a. Questions were asked regarding the bills. The water well is functional. A motion was made by Mr. Colvin and seconded by Mr. Broesche to approve payment of the bills. Motion passed unanimously.
7. The third reading of Board Policy Update 86 was held. A motion was made by Mr. Colvin and seconded by Mrs. Tappe to adopt Board Policy Update 86 with the following:

Under CFD (LOCAL) at the paragraph with the margin note, DISTRICT AND CAMPUS ACTIVITY FUNDS, add the following to the second sentence: "which includes without limitation recruiting and retaining qualified employees and enhancing employee morale. Thus, these funds may properly be expended for small gifts, plaques, flower/memorials for funerals, weddings, or retirements, staff appreciation luncheons, and similar activities."

There was no change adopted to CV (LOCAL).

Motion passed unanimously.

8. A motion was made by Mr. Broesche and seconded by Mrs. Tappe to adopt a resolution to cast all of Burton's 529 votes for Delton Koerth in the Washington County Appraisal District Board of Directors Election. The candidates were John Garnett, Delton Koerth, Albert Wright, John Schaer, and Johanna Fatheree. Motion passed unanimously.
9. A motion was made by Mrs. Tappe and seconded by Mr. Broesche to approve the joint election contract with the City of Burton. Motion passed unanimously.
10. No action was taken regarding the 2010-2011 school calendar.
11. A motion was made by Mrs. Tappe and seconded by Mr. Broesche to change the district travel reimbursement to \$.50 per mile. Motion passed unanimously.
12. A motion was made by Mr. Colvin and seconded by Mrs. Tappe to approve the superintendent evaluation instrument with changes. Motion passed unanimously.

13. A motion was made by Mr. Broesche and seconded by Mrs. Tappe to employ Hodde Real Estate Company to handle the sale of school property located at 12200 Hickory Street. Motion passed unanimously.
14. No action was taken regarding the sale of school property.
15. A motion was made by Mr. Broesche and seconded by Mr. Colvin to go to executive session at 7:37 p.m. Motion passed unanimously. Board returned to open session at 7:52 p.m.
16. Action Taken on Items Discussed in Executive Session
 - a. No action was taken.
17. A motion was made by Mr. Broesche and seconded by Mr. Colvin to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

President