

APPROVED 3/17/10

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
BOONVILLE R-I BOARD OF EDUCATION
March 15, 2010 - 6:00 p.m.
Board Room – 736 Main Street

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brenda Campbell, Charlie Melkersman, Bob Roach, Ben Phelps, Jeff Lammers, Richelle Kluck, Chris Dowling

SUPERINTENDENT: Mark Ficken

SECRETARY: Pam Jaeger

GUESTS: Chris Shikles, Jay Webster, Jeff Brackman, Dane Gregg (KWRT & VOICE), Eric Berger (BDN), Alicia Escobar-Watts, 5 staff members & 3 patrons

CALL TO ORDER: 6:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

CONSENT ITEMS 6:02 p.m.

Motion by Chris Dowling and seconded by Charlie Melkersman to approve the minutes from the March 5, 2010 special meeting. Motion passes 7-0

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM 6:03 p.m. - Jill Campbell, teacher at BHS; Abbey Courtney, teacher at BHS; Jeff Francis, teacher at LSE; & Nancy Cook, parent all spoke to the board regarding budget items that have been cut and some that are still being considered. Most comments focused on school clubs and athletics that are in question.

Superintendent Ficken presented the Board with an award from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education that is for "Distinction in Performance for Improved Achievement through the Missouri School Improvement Program for 2009-2010" He commended our staff and students for the outstanding job that they do.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - 6:15 p.m.

Motion by Charlie Melkersman and seconded by Ben Phelps to eliminate 7th grade athletics at LSE Middle School and to keep 8th grade athletics in its current form for the 2010-2011 school year for a cost savings of approximately \$21,193. Motion passes 5-2

Motion by Ben Phelps and seconded by Bob Roach to drop the freshman athletic program as it currently exists and combine the Freshman and Junior Varsity athletic programs at BHS for the 2010-2011 school year for a cost savings of approximately \$34,361. Motion passes 6-1

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Motion by Jeff Lammers and seconded by Chris Dowling to table a decision on reducing the district technology acquisition budget for the 2010-2011 school year until further information is obtained. Motion fails 2-5

Motion by Richelle Kluck and seconded by Ben Phelps to reduce the district technology budget for 2010-2011 to \$100,000 for a savings of \$50,000. Motion passes 7-0

Rate increases for the district's health insurance coverage were presented to the board. The increase for 2010-2011 will be \$11.00 per person. The district Salary & Benefit Committee will meet Wednesday, March 17th at 3:30 pm. Charlie Melkersman and Jeff Lammers are representatives on that committee. Additional information will be presented to the Board at the March 17th regular meeting at 6:00 pm.

Motion by Charlie Melkersman and seconded by Bob Roach to drop payment of the Superintendent's spouse health insurance coverage effective the 2010-2011 school year as recommended by Mark Ficken. Motion passes 7-0

Other budget considerations were discussed including the athletic Co-op agreement between LSE Middle School and S S Peter & Paul school. No further action was taken

NEW BUSINESS - NONE

Motion by Charlie Melkersman and seconded by Ben Phelps to adjourn from open session and reconvene in closed session to consider personnel matters pursuant to 610.021 (13) (3) RSMO ROLL CALL: Dowling-yes, Kluck-yes, Lammers-yes, Phelps-yes, Roach-yes, Melkersman-yes, Campbell-yes Motion passes 7-0

CLOSED SESSION: 8:14 p.m.

Motion by Charlie Melkersman and seconded by Ben Phelps to return to open session. ROLL CALL: Dowling-yes, Kluck-yes, Lammers-yes, Phelps-yes, Roach-yes, Melkersman-yes, Campbell-yes Motion passes 7-0

ADJOURNMENT: 10:12 p.m.

Pam Jaeger, Board Secretary

Brenda Campbell, Board President