

**CROWLEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J
MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING – March 24, 2008**

Members Present: Mike Apker, Gerald Barber, Leif Berg, Patricia Florez, Kay Markus, Orlando Terrones, and Jeri Urban

Also Present: John McCleary, Lisa Bauer, Jim Trainor, Pam Arbuthnot, Rhonda Bohlander, Jennifer Gray, Loretta Honebine, Brianna Honebein, Jody O’Leary, and Samantha O’Leary.

1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by President Apker.
2. Pledge of Allegiance	All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Audience	Brianna Honebein and Samantha O’Leary gave presentations to the board over their winning Science Fair Project. The girls will be attending the State Science Fair April 10-12.
4. Additions/Corrections	Add items 12.4 Part-Time Library Aide, and under purchases add 7.3 Girls Basketball Uniforms, and 7.4 Fencing for Vo-Ag Farm
5. Minutes	Motion by Mr. Berg Second by Mr. Terrones to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2008 meeting as presented. All voted aye. Motion passed.
6. Business & Finance	Motion by Mr. Terrones and second by Mr. Barber to approve the bills from March 10 and March 25, 2008. All voted aye. Motion carried.
7.. Purchases Requiring Board Approval	Motion by Mr. Barber second by Mrs. Urban to approve the administrations recommendation to purchase a Schwinn Aridyne Exercise Bike in the amount of \$599. All voted aye. Motion carried. This will be used by all sports and the PE department.
7.1 HS Athletic Equipment	
7.2 LCD Projector	Motion by Mr. Barber and second by Mr. Terrones to approve the administrations recommendation to purchase the Mitsubishi Digital Projector in the amount of \$919. All voted aye. Motion carried.
7.3 Girls Basketball uniforms	Two Girls Basketball Uniform bids were presented to the board for approval. After discussion was held and prices were compared Mr. McCleary suggested that since there was such a price difference Mrs. Bauer should get a sample of the material the uniforms from Graphic Designs Unlimited will be made with to make sure it is something that will last. She will report back to the administration and the order will be placed. Motion by Mrs. Markus and second by Mr. Terrones to go with the bid from Graphic Designs Unlimited as long as the fabric quality is what we are looking for. All voted aye. Motion carried.
7.4 Vo-Ag Fencing	Motion by Mr. Berg second by Mr. Terrones to approve the purchase of fencing materials to go around the Vo-Ag Farm. The railroad ties will be approximately \$1,000 and the fence materials will not exceed \$4,000. All voted aye. Motion carried.
8. Communications	A thank you card was received from Virgil Ortega for the plant received when his father passed away.
9. Principal Reports	Recognition: All High School students for their efforts during CSAP testing. College visit to Trinidad State Junior College on March 26, High School play on March 27 th and 28 th , District FFA Judging at LCC on April 2 nd , State FCCLA in Denver on April 3 rd . Student count is still at 147.
Crowley County High School: Mrs. Bauer	

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Ward Middle School: Mr. Trainor	Recognition: Kristen Broce and Wendy Geringer are doing a great job with the after school program. CSAPS are going good and will be finished by March 27 th . The first track meet will be April 1 st . Student count stayed at 120.
Crowley County Elementary: Mrs. Arbuthnot	Recognition: Kelly Wise and her music students for two outstanding performances. A total of \$601.38 was collected for Kids with Cancer. Student count is 232.

10. Superintendent’s Report	<p>Mr. McCleary reported :</p> <p>Progress was made over spring break progress on the HVAC controls and the Elementary units should be completed by the end of this week. The windows that go above the high school doors have been ordered and should be in by the end of May.</p> <p>The board was given a web site to look at to check out the on-line school. The baseball field is almost complete the scoreboard has been ordered and should be here the first part of April.</p> <p>We will have a dedication of the new field as soon as it is completed. Mr. McCleary met with Mr. Beaber, representative from Crowley County Teacher Association. They would like to add a step down on the salary schedule. He said over all there were very few complaints and that most people are happy. Next years calendar was discussed and we will be getting a calendar committee together soon. He said they would also like to have the extra duty schedule un-frozen. They feel there is a need another Special Education Aid because of the increased number of Special Education students. The teaches said they would appreciate all money that can be given toward salaries.</p> <p>This has been a rough year with all the construction going on but everyone understands we are just trying to make Crowley County Schools a better place.</p>
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11. Old Business	
11.1 Reports; SCORE	Mr. Barber reported that at the last meeting they did not have a quorum so no meeting was held but that they have been discussing a baseball field recognition ceremony.
SCBOCES	None

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12. New Business

- 12.1 Overnight Request HS Knowledge Bowl Motion by Mr. Barber and second by Mr. Terrones to approve the overnight request for the HS Knowledge Bowl team to compete in the State Knowledge Bowl Meet. Mrs. Anderson and Mr. Goettel will be the sponsors for the three boys and two girls who will attend. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 12.2 Out-of district student request. Motion by Mr. Terrones second by Mrs. Urban to approve Mr. McCleary's recommendation to approve the out-of-district request from Jennifer Castro. She is a current student who moved out of district but would like to graduate from Crowley County Schools this year. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 12.3 Personnel: Executive Session CRS 24-6-402 (4)(f) Executive session was not needed
- Approve Retirement Motion by Mr. Barber second by Mr. Berg to approve, with regret, the retirement request from Paula Bennendsen. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- Appointment to Library Board Motion by Mrs. Markus second by Mr. Barber to re-appoint Paula Bennendsen to the library board. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- Substitute Teacher/Aid Motion by Mr. Terrones and second by Mr. Barber to approve the administrations recommendation to approve the following people for substitute teaches for Crowley County Schools
Kelli Catlin
Ricky Dodd
DeAnn VanVleet
All voted aye. Motion carried.
- Resignation Motion by Mr. Terrones and second by Mr. Berg to accept the resignation from Mr. Jeff Rusher from his High School Math and PE teaching position. All voted aye. Motion carried.
- 12.4 Part time library aide Motion by Mr. Barber and second by Mr. Berg to approve Kathy Beyer as the library aide and to pay her at the rate of \$7.50 per hour retroactive to January 2008. All voted aye. Motion Carried.
- Adjournment: At 8:10 p.m. Mr. Terrones made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Berg seconds the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried

Next Board meeting will be April 1, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Work session starts at 6:15 p.m.

Michael F. Apker, President

Jeryl Urban, Secretary