

CROWLEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J MINUTES – BOARD
OF EDUCATION MEETING – FEBRUARY 22, 2011

Members Present: Mike Apker, Patricia Florez, Daryl Geringer, William Gray, and Kay Markus.

Members Absent: Leif Berg and Orlando Terrones

Also Present: Scott Cuckow, Liz Salinas and Rhonda Bohlander

Call to Order	The meeting was called to order by President Apker.
Pledge of Allegiance	All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
Roll Call	Leif Berg and Orlando Terrones were absent.
Audience	Liz Salinas addressed the Board regarding her concern about Wednesday night activities and following board policy. A retirement reception was held for Shone Salas. President Apker expressed the districts appreciation to Shone for his outstanding performance as a district employee. The board presented Shone a gift commemorating his 17 years of dedicated service to the Crowley County Schools.
Additions/Corrections of the Agenda	Motion by Mrs. Markus and second by Mr. Geringer to approve the following additions/corrections to the agenda. 14.9 Add March Board Meeting Dates. All voted aye. Motion carried.
6. Approval of Agenda	Motion by Mr. Geringer and second by Mr. Gray to approve the agenda as amended. All voted aye. Motion carried.
7. Minutes 7.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 1, 2011	Motion by Mrs. Florez and second by Mr. Gray to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2011, Regular Meeting. All votes aye. Motion carried.
8. Business & Finance 8.1 February Payroll and Bills	Motion by Mr. Gray and second by Mrs. Florez to approve the February Bills and payroll as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.
8.2 January Financial Reports	The January financial reports were presented to the board for review. The required SAS 112 Audit letter from Dixon, Waller and Company was also presented to the board.
8.3 Approval of Debt Service Fund Transfer. Resolution #14	Motion by Mr. Geringer and second by Mr. Gray to approve the transfer of funds from General Fund to the Debt Service fund to pay the last payment to American National Bank. All voted aye. Motion carried.
	<u>RESOLUTION #14 2010/2011</u> <u>WHEREAS, THE</u> Board of Education, Crowley County School District RE 1-J has considered its obligation for Debt Service Fund Obligations: <u>AND WHEREAS, THE</u> Board has considered a transfer of moneys from the General Fund to the Debt Service Fund: <u>THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED</u> that the Superintendent or his designee is hereby authorized to transfer \$62,500.00 to the Debt Service Fund from the General Fund, in the month of February 2011.
9. Purchases Requiring Board Approval	None

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10. Communications Letters were received from Pastor DeEtta Goettel and Fr. Don Malin, V.F. concerning school activities on Wednesday nights. A thank you was also received from the Bill Daniels family.

11. Principal Reports Student Count: 148
Crowley County High School: Congratulations to Logan Benbow, T.J. Hernandez, John Gray, Nikko Shelton and Dustin
Mrs. Bauer Stalder for qualifying for the State Wrestling Tournament.

Ward Middle School: Mr. Student Count: 133
Trainor

Crowley County Elementary: Student Count: 206
Mrs. Arbuthnot Thanks to the entire elementary staff for their efforts to positively meet and greet the
parents during conferences on February 17th.

12. Superintendent's Report
1. The solar panels are up and running and we should start seeing a reduction in our electric bills soon.
 2. Kenyon Energy is getting the fence put up around the community garden. We are still discussing the fence in the far west corner. It was brought to the board's attention that the FFA could apply for the Pfizer grant to help fund projects.
 3. We went to a meeting with area superintendents and athletic directors to discuss middle school athletics and it was decided to reduce the number of games per week for volleyball and basketball and to extend the season by two or three weeks but only have one game per week then some tournaments or tri on weekends.
 4. Thanked the board for the Core Values statement and possible school motto - Educate Every Child Everyday
 - o Each and Every child can Learn and Succeed - Make Growth
 - o Setting High Expectations at all levels
 - o Belief in Formative and Immediate Feedback with the goal of continual improvement
 - o Ownership of our students' overall outcomes
 - o Staff makes a difference
 - o Essential Resources with Professional Growth pOromotes optimal learning
 5. We need to discuss moving the March 1st meeting date to March 8th.
 6. You have a bus bid for information only at this time. We will need to discuss if we are still interested in purchasing a bus.
 7. We have gotten projected figures for budget cuts for next year. We will start meeting with principals the first part of March to start planning for next year.
 8. Vody Herrmann, Asst. Commissioner, stressed it was very important to share the budget shortfalls with our community so they will be aware of what the school district will be facing.
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13. Old Business. Nothing at this time.

14. New Business
14.1 Approval of 2 hour delays Motion by Mr. Gray and second by Mrs. Markus to approve 2 hour delays because of
and early release adverse weather on February 2, 3, and 9 and early release on February 7th due to lack of
heat. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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14.2 Approval of State FBLA Conference Overnight Trip and funding.	Motion by Mrs. Markus and second by Mrs. Florez to approve the Administrations recommendation to approve the State FBLA overnight trip and funding. All voted aye. Motion carried.
14.3 Approval of Volunteer	Motion by Mr. Geringer and second by Mrs. Markus to approve the Administrations recommendation to approve Mr. Davies as a volunteer assistant baseball coach. All votes aye. Motion carried.
14.4 Approval of Administrative Operating Unit with SC BOCES.	Motion by Mrs. Florez and second by Mr. Gray to approve the revised Operating Agreement with SC BOCES. This revision is necessary because of the departure of Fremont RE-2 from our BOCES. All voted aye. Motion carried. . Board requested additional information as to the per diem charges for special education count.
14.5 Informational – Board Policies.	Board members were given several CASB Policies that need to be updated. Mr. Cuckow said he would go through all of them before the next meeting and would make recommendations.
14.6 Executive Session CRS 24-6-402 (4) (f) Discussion of matters specific to particular employees, not general personnel policies. Does not include discussion of board members or appointments to the board.	Executive session was not needed.
14.2 Personnel Hiring: Substitute Cook	Motion by Mr. Gray and second by Mrs. Markus to approve Diane Williams as a substitute cook. All voted aye. Motion carried
Resignation HS Volleyball Coach	Motion by Mrs. Markus and second by Mrs. Florez to accept the resignation from Lisa Bauer from the High School Volleyball Coaching position. All voted aye. Motion carried. The board asked that we start advertising for this position right away.
14.8 Approval of Superintendent’s Contract	Mr. Cuckow asked the board for a two year contract. Motion by Mr. Geringer and second by Mrs. Florez to offer Mr. Cuckow a two year contract (7-1-2011 – 6-30-2013) subject to annual review and evaluation. Salary and fringe will be determined at a later date. All voted aye. Motion carried.
14.9 March Board Meeting Dates	Discussion was held concerning the scheduled board meeting date for March 1 st . Motion by Mrs. Markus and second by Mr. Gray to approve changing the first of the month board meeting date to March 8 th . All voted aye. Motion carried.
15. Future Board Agenda Items	
16. Adjournment	None
17. Board Evaluation and Review	The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Next Board meeting will be Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Work Session 6:15 p.m.

Michael F. Apker, President

Patricia Florez, Secretary