

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

September 10, 2007

The Bunker Hill Community Unit District #8 School Board of Education met in Regular Session at 7:30 P.M. on Monday, September 10, 2007 in the Library of the Wolf Ridge Education Center. President Rodney Gvillo called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

### *ROLL CALL*

Members Physically Present: Burnet, Gvillo, Owen, Spickerman, Strohmeier, Vivian

Members Physically Absent: Payne, H. Gvillo

Members Electronically Present: None

Also present: M. Rogers, B. Skertich, D. Daugherty, G. Lievers, C. Mohr, D. Allen, Joan Wood, Tyler Overkfell, Rachelle Wuellner, Kevin Meyer, Tim Kwiatrowski, Gary Thornhill, Christy Thornhill, Sydney Strohmeier

### *PLEDGE OF ALLELGIENCE*

President Rodney Gvillo asked those present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

### *REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES*

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 13, 2007, the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of August 20, 2007, and the minutes of the Building/Transportation Committee Meeting of August 27, 2007 were reviewed. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 13, 2007, the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of August 20, 2007, and the minutes of the Building/Transportation Committee Meeting of August 27, 2007. Roll call vote—Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Burnet, yes; Owen, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

### *BOARD SALUTE*

Mrs. Deanna Vivian reported the new sound system at the high school was awesome and sounded very clear.

Mrs. Suzanne Spickerman reported Mr. Bill Drake had wished the football team best wishes for a great season and reported having heard wonderful comments about the high school principal from staff members and the public.

Mr. Rodney Gvillo reported the fans attending the Greenfield football game were well behaved and showed great enthusiasm. He reported Mr. Michael Popovich's interview on WSMI radio station regarding the football team's accomplishments was wonderful, very positive, and gave full credit to the team. Mrs. Joan Wood reported Mr. Kenny Myles had called her son to congratulate him and other team players. It was reported that Mr. Blankenship also had called to congratulate some of the football players.

### *REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE BILLS*

The bills were reviewed. Discussion followed. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Owen to accept the bills as presented. Roll call vote—Strohmeier, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

### *REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT*

The financial report was reviewed. Mrs. Rogers reported State dollars had not come through as of yet. Discussion followed. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Spickerman to accept the financial report as presented. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Spickerman, yes; Vivian, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

### *COMMENTS FROM VISITORS*

Mr. Tyler Overkfell – Meet the Board: Mrs. Rogers introduced Mr. Tyler Overkfell, the High School Industrial Arts' Instructor to the Board. Tyler gave a brief overview of his accomplishments as well as his plans for dual college credit courses in Drafting, Auto Cad, and Welding 1 & 2 through Lewis & Clark. Students will receive 6 college credits when finished. Mr. Dave Belesko also has incorporated his Ag courses as dual college credit courses. Tyler informed the Board of "Skills USA", a technical training club to train our students for the work force. There are 120 categories to choose from as well as competition amongst other schools. Discussion followed. President Rodney Gvillo introduced the Board members and thanked Tyler for coming to the meeting.

Mrs. Shelle Wuellner – Meet the Board: Mrs. Rogers introduced Mrs. Rachelle (Shelle) Wuellner, the Director of Food Services to the Board. Shelle gave a brief overview of her accomplishments. She comes to us with 20+ years of restaurant business and has been a troubleshooter in various cafeteria settings thereby turning unprofitable establishments into profitable ones. She had a smoothie machine installed at both Meissner and the High School and handed the Board members a strawberry smoothie to try. The product is all-natural and could be sold during athletic events to bring in more profit. She addressed past concerns such as student charging and running out of cafeteria food. Discussion followed. President Rodney Gvillo thanked her for attending the meeting.

Mrs. Deanna Vivian – Family Athletic Passes: Mrs. Deanna Vivian would like the district to consider a family pass for athletic events. Pros and cons were addressed. Mrs. Rogers and Deb Allen will bring numbers before the Board at the October meeting.

Mr. Kevin Heid – Representative from First Midstate: Mr. Kevin Heid, representing First Midstate, was present to address questions regarding borrowing limitations, PTELL, statutory debt limits, referendum limitations, restructure of bonds, bond issues, and timelines available to place a tax referendum for the November 2008 Ballot. The District is looking to add additional classrooms to the Wolf Ridge complex to serve students from Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Discussion continued regarding getting started on the right path of informing the public of the District's building needs, direction, how much money can be legally borrowed as well as being practically affordable. The Board thanked Mr. Heid for his time.

Mr. Kevin Meyer and Mr. Tim Kwaitkowski – Architects: Mr. Kevin Meyer and Mr. Tim Kwaitkowski, of the FGM Architectural Firm were present to address building needs. A blueprint of 12 additional classrooms of 15,480 sq. ft. was handed out to the Board. Mr. Brad Skertich felt the need for 10 classrooms, computer labs, and a gymnasium, as the present gym has no space for seating. Discussion continued regarding whether it was feasible to add on to the existing gym versus building a new one. The Board would like the Administration to meet

with Mr. Meyer and figure the sq footage needed with the possibility of a project display model for the public to view by February or March. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Joan Wood – To Address the Board: Mrs. Joan Wood asked the Board to consider air conditioning the high school facility. Discussion showed the Board would love to see the high school air-conditioned but it all comes down lack of adequate funds. The high school also needs upgraded science labs, rewiring, etc. Health Life Safety funding was considered. The Board thanked her for her input.

#### *ACTION ITEMS*

Seat New High School Board Member: Motion by Spickerman, seconded by Vivian to appoint Sydney Strohmeier as a Student representative on the Bunker Hill School District's Board of Education for the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 school year. Roll call vote—Vivian, yes; Strohmeier, abstain; Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Gvillo, yes. 5 Yes; 1 Abstain. Motion carried. Sydney was welcomed and was seated with them.

Approve the 2007-2008 Applications for Recognition of Schools: Motion by Vivian, seconded by Strohmeier to approve Application for 2007-2008 Recognition of Schools and direct the Administration to file the appropriate documents with the State Board of Education. Roll call vote—Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Approve the 07-08 School/Student Organization List: The Organizational List was prepared for insurance purposes. Motion by Burnet, seconded by Owen to approve the 2007-2008 School/Student Organization List for the Bunker Hill School District as presented. Roll call vote—Burnet, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Owen, yes; Spickerman, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Approve Request for Early Graduation: Mrs. Rogers reported one student has requested Early Graduation. Discussion followed. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to approve the Request for early Graduation from Donald Brooks. Roll call vote—Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Vivian, yes; Owen, yes; Spickerman, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Authorize to Seek Bids to Purchase a New Bus for the 2008-2009 School Year: Mr. Lievers was present to answer any questions. Discussion followed. Motion by Vivian, seconded by Owen to authorize the Administration to seek bids for the purchase of two buses with air conditioning for the 2008-2009 school year. Roll call vote—Strohmeier, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Request Permission to Dispose of the High School Storage Trailer: Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Spickerman to authorize the Administration to dispose of the High School Storage Trailer by sealed bid. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Spickerman, yes; Vivian, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Renew Membership in NAEIR: Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Owen to renew the Bunker Hill School District Membership in NAEIR for the 2007-2008 school year. Roll call

vote—Vivian, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Gvillo, yes.  
Motion carried.

At this time “Information Items” would be discussed.

#### *INFORMATION ITEMS*

Mrs. Marg Rogers: Mrs. Rogers handed those present information regarding the cost for power at all three campuses, salary costs by building, enrollment figures with total cost per student. She had nothing more to add.

Mr. Brad Skertich: Mr. Skertich gave a brief power point review of ISAT Results comparing the 2006 and 2007 school years. The District fared very well and is identifying areas for improvement. He reported the Wolf Ridge “Open House” was well attended.

Mr. Doug Daugherty: Mr. Doug Daugherty gave a brief power point review of ACT and PSAT Scores comparing information from 2005, 2006, and 2007. Areas will also be identified for improvement.

Miss Heather Gvillo: Miss Gvillo was not present. Mr. Daugherty handed her report to the Board.

Miss Sydney Strohmeier: Nothing at this time.

Mr. Greg Lievers: Mr. Lievers questioned the status of the timeline and location for the concession building project as materials will be arriving Tuesday. Discussion followed regarding the need to adjust water flow in the high school bathroom sink.

#### Committees

Policy – A Policy Committee Meeting would need to be set at a later time.

Curriculum – Nothing

Building/Transportation – Nothing

Negotiations – The District attorney would be present at the October Board Meeting.

Athletic – Nothing

Special Education – The next Special Education Meeting is set for 6:00 P.M. on  
September 20, 2007.

Education Foundation – An Education Foundation Meeting would be set.

At this time “Personnel Issues” would be addressed.

Personnel—May Require Executive Session per Section 2 of the Open Meetings Act as Amended by P.A. 88-621: Motion by Vivian, seconded by Strohmeier to go into Executive Session at 9:40 p.m. to a. consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body: 1.) Employ a Cook and 2.) Discuss Staffing Needs. Roll Call vote—Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Spickerman to return to Regular Session at 10:14 P.M. Roll call vote—Burnet, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Owen, yes; Spickerman, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Employ a Cook: Motion by Spickerman, seconded by Vivian to employ Sarah Paintiff as High School Cook for the 2007-2008 school year with duties to be assigned by the Superintendent. Roll call vote—Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Burnet, yes; Owen, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Discuss Staffing Needs: No action.

#### *GENERAL DIALOGUE*

Mrs. Rogers reported the budget figures were handed out to the Board members for review. A Public Budget Hearing was set at the Wolf Ridge library for 6:00 P.M. on September 17, 2007 followed by a Special Board Meeting at 6:30 P.M. to adopt the FY 08 Budget.

Discussion followed regarding arrangements for activities while at the IASB/IASA/IASBO School Board Conference in Chicago.

#### *ADJOURN*

Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Owen to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 P. M. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Spickerman, yes; Vivian, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

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President

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Secretary