

Brookings-Harbor School District 17-C

"Every Student Can Succeed"

Special School Board Meeting Minutes

District Office

December 5, 2014 11:30 AM

Meeting called to order at 11:34 am by Bruce Raleigh.

Those in attendance: Bruce Raleigh, Sue Chambers, Sue Gold, Alice Farmer (by phone) , Dr. Lee Bush, Dede Corpening, Gordon Clay, **Media Representative:** Jayati Ramakrishnan

Citizen Input: None

Out of State Travel Request: BHHS Cheerleading Squad to Crescent City

Alice Farmer made a motion to approve the out of state travel request for the BHHS Cheerleading Squad on an overnight trip to Crescent City, seconded by Sue Chambers.

Discussion: Sue Chambers said the board previously stated that they were not going to accept late requests. She expressed her concern over the inadequate information that is brought to the board.

Alice Farmer said it is ideal to have everything planned in advance. Although, she added, when it comes to athletics, it is a little tougher, as teams back out last minute. This leaves the other teams scrambling to find other tournaments or games so that the athletes are not penalized. Alice Farmer said the tournament in Mapleton was canceled, which is in Oregon, therefore did not need approval. Sue Chambers agreed that Fortuna is closer, but still feels that the request is too late. She questioned who was driver, and had all the volunteers gone through the proper procedures. Alice Farmer said Jess Beaman is a certified bus driver.

Dr. Bush stated that if this was an overnight trip in Oregon it would be allowed without board approval.

Sue Gold stated she is concerned about the amount of chaperones.

Bruce Raleigh said he understands the world of athletics, and the last minute changes. He said he could not see penalizing the students. Alice Farmer added that being so close to the border is the issue. She said that the coaches and athletes have expectations and are required to follow them.

Alice Farmer said she would round up Buell Gonzales if they would like to ask questions.

The board reviewed the travel request for the cheerleaders.

Dr. Bush said we would like to have everything scheduled out, but when things get cancelled last minute, something has to give. Either the games do not happen, or you allow making the adjustments so that the teams can still play games. Dr. Bush said he would like to help resolve this by opening the discussion in the future for the board to work on the policy. He stated that maybe the structure of the forms be revised, providing clearer information. He continued that the athletic audit will provide further information. Sue Chambers said she agrees, but when the board is asked for approval, it should be done in a timely matter with accurate information.

Sue Gold: Aye, Sue Chambers: Aye, Alice Farmer: Aye, Bruce Raleigh: Aye

Motion Pass

Out of State Travel Request: BHHS JV Boys Basketball Team to Fortuna

Alice Farmer made a motion to approve the out of state travel request for the BHHS Boys JV Basketball team to Fortuna, seconded by Sue Gold.

Discussion: Sue Chambers asked when the jv tournament was cancelled, as the team would have to be leaving already. Dr. Bush asked if Alice Farmer could locate Buell Gonzales. Dr. Bush read the email from Buell Gonzales that he received on December 3, stating that he (Buell) had just gotten confirmation of the tournament. Bruce Raleigh said maybe if the email had been forwarded on to the board they may have had less questions. Sue Chambers said the board is disappointed in getting the information last minute. She added that the board has said many times in the past that this would be the last time they would receive late information. Sue Chambers asked what was canceled that created the last minute request. Buell Gonzales said it is never his goal to disappoint the board. He stated that when the games are scheduled, there are no confirmations of them happening for sure, nor are the details completed at the time, because they are not yet confirmed. He could tell the board that something is scheduled, but there will be other missing information until he knows the event is going to happen. Sue Chambers asked Buell Gonzales how far in advance he does get the information. Buell Gonzales said they schedule them out at the beginning of the season, but nothing is confirmed. When confirmed the details are lined out. Buell Gonzales said in this instance they could drive back and forth if it is not approved, but it would be nice if the team could stay the night. He said with the cheerleading date, it was not received until after the last board meeting. Sue Gold said she thought the cheerleading one was planned a long time ago. Buell Gonzales said if they were planned a long time ago, it does not mean he has all the information for the board to approve it. Sue Chambers asked how long ago the basketball trip was planned. Buell Gonzales said it was on his schedule for a long time, but was not confirmed until Friday. Buell Gonzales said the teams follow the proper protocol for the trips. He said it is not normal for high schoolers to have chaperones on tournaments. Sue Chambers asked Buell Gonzales if the volunteer forms are being used. Buell Gonzales said he gets the weekly update of the current cleared volunteers. He stated that any of his volunteers also fill out the proper paperwork to be cleared. He added that there are no volunteers going on either of the trips that have not gone through the process.

Lee Bush gave examples of how tournaments or games could get cancelled last minute. He said the board could review and approve the trips ahead of time, knowing that the proper guidelines, off a checklist, of the trip are going to be followed.

Bruce Raleigh said that there needs to be a balance of detail that needs to be included, so that Buell Gonzales is better able to follow the requirements. It is difficult for him to have all the details prior to the confirmation of an event. Lee Bush said the athletic audit will help with this.

Sue Gold: Aye, Sue Chambers: Nay, Alice Farmer: Aye, Bruce Raleigh: Aye

Motion Pass

Comments/Communication: Tuesday 10 am meeting with Bruce Raleigh, Sue Gold, Dr. Bush and Dede Corpening to set board agenda- Bruce Raleigh asked any board members that would like to add agenda items let him know prior to that. There will be a work session prior to the next board meeting at 4:30 pm to discuss the evaluation tool for the superintendent. Bruce Raleigh requested the board gather the information they would like to discuss to have ready for the meeting. There needs to be an executive session sometime next week. The meeting will be the 9th at 8:00 am at the district office.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:39 PM