

GRAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 22, 2009

Kaaron Jorgen called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with Board members Kaaron Jorgen, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren and Jim Webster present, along with, Taryn Kay, Acting Superintendent, Secretary Becky McCormick, Principals, Melinda Snow, Robert Farnsworth, Steve Hren, GEA Representative Peggy Hardy. Also in attendance was Will Rhodes, Kathryn Jackson, Cody Jones, Tressa Rhen, Morgan Burgess, Selena Butterfield, Ryan Talbot, Tailor Talbot, Lisa Talbot, John Geiger, Hal Adams, Russell Minor, Kenneth Minor, Cori Santos, Riley Manely, Jill Jones, Shea Guerrero, Lawrence and Jamie Burraston, Tina Burgen, Holli Worthington, Mike Worthington, Harris Porter, Melissa Meldrum, Jayne May, Charlie Schildt, Dayna VanArsdol, Hailey Henderson, Shay Atwood, Maecie Pierce, Kwencey Wells, Sebastian Roe, Allyssa Walston, Woody Marshall, Randy Zimmerman, Daniela Villalpando, Peggy Nissen, and Mercedes Garcia.

Ryan Burraston led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition: Student's of the Month are Tailor Talbot and Ryan Burraston. The High School Debate team was recognized with Blue Ribbon Awards for taking State. Hal Adams, Boyd Bryan and Kenneth Minor were also recognized for assisting/coaching the Debate Team. Melissa Meldrum received a Blue Ribbon Award for advising Sterling Scholar Candidates. Jayne May received a Blue Ribbon Award her involvement with our school community.

Presentations: Mrs. Jackson's 5th Grade Class made a presentation to the Board with over 400 signatures from community members to retain the name Helen M. Knight School for the new elementary school being constructed on the Helen M. Knight location.

Staff Reports: Taryn Kay reported that Margaret Hopkin's trip to Japan was going well. The District seems to be running smooth in Margaret's absence. Red Rock Elementary's Principal, Sherrie Buckingham gave Trust Lands report. The entire Trust Lands money is spent on the Skills position. Income for Trust Lands will be about \$14, 000 less next year for Red Rock Elementary. Helen M. Knight's Principal Robert Farnsworth reported that this year's Trust Lands money provided a fifth 4th grade teacher. The monies will be spent the same way next year. Middle School Principal, Melinda Snow reported that last year's Trust Lands money was spent on a part time reading specialist. Monies to be spent the same next year along with Rosetta Stone computer program. High School Principal, Steve Hren report that Trust Lands monies are spent on salary to keep library open after school, helping with advisors for CTE clubs, yearbook advisor, reading program that special education teacher were trained in this year. Ryan Burraston, High School Board member reported that the softball team is doing a fundraiser for breast cancer. The Chemistry team traveled to SUU to participate in competition. SAG (Student Action Group) had a barbeque that was well attended. We have an undefeated soccer team – so far. Student body officers for the 2009-2010 School Year are Kim Brand, Lillian McKinlay-Jones, Tailor Talbot and Audrey Baird. No reports from GEA. GCEA reported that the survey for the April 28th meeting is done.

INFORMATION AND REPORTS

Native American Club Travel Requests: Peggy Nissen requested permission to take interested Native American students to Durango, Farmington, and Shiprock to visit colleges on May 11 and 12, 2009. The

Board will contact Risk Management and let Peggy know their decision. Richard Jenkinson's group has cancelled their travel.

DELEGATIONS

Dog Park: John Geiger, Woody Marshall and Randy Zimmerman from Moab City requested the use of District property for a fenced Dog Park. It would be a one acre park on Millcreek Path and Chip Trail. John Geiger said that the Dog Park is the most demanded recreation need for Grand County now. This will be on the agenda for the May 2009 meeting.

INFORMATION AND REPORTS

Housing Authority – Willow Tree Road Easement: Janie Tuft representing Southeastern Housing Authority presented request for an easement on District property by the Rodeo Grounds. Easement is on Willow Tree Road. The Housing Authority is building affordable housing. Janie will get back to Board on just how much easement is needed. This item will be put on Actions Items for May 20, 2009 Board meeting.

Name Consideration for New Elementary School: This Agenda Item is moved to Action Items.

NSBA Membership: The Board requested that this be an administrative directive. When Superintendent Hopkin returns, she will make the decision to continue or not to continue membership in NSBA.

Negotiations – Board Member Replacement: Deb Hren will replace Ron Olsen for one year as GEA/GCEA Board Representative.

District Budget Cuts: Taryn Kay reported that the District is allowed to cut up to seven days next year to meet budget restraints.

Master Planning: It was recommended that Rob Welch, District Construction Manager present monthly at Board meeting to briefly update the Board on progress on new construction. Jim Webster recommended that the Board look at the next step phase for master planning for the District.

Elementary Multi-Purpose Room Flooring: The current design for the new elementary's multi-purpose room floor is tile. It was recommended that it be upgraded to either wood or a product called Mondo – Advance. This agenda item was moved to Action Item.

End of Year Recognitions: This item moved to Executive Session.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes Deb Hren moved to accept the minutes with corrections. Ron Olsen seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were: Kaaron Jorgen, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren, and Jim Webster. The motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS

Trust Lands Reports: Bryan Walston moved to accept the Trust Land Reports for the 2009-2010 school year. Deb Hren seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were: Kaaron Jorgen, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren, and Jim Webster. The motion passed.

Travel Request: Bryan Walston made a motion to allow permission for Native American students from the High School travel out of state pending approval from Risk Management. Deb Hren seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were: Kaaron Jorgen, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren, and Jim Webster. The motion passed.

New Elementary School Name: Ron Olsen made a motion that the name of the new elementary school be **Helen M. Knight Elementary**. Jim Webster seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were: Kaaron Jorgen, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren, and Jim Webster. The motion passed.

Elementary Multi-Purpose Room Flooring: Ron Olsen made a motion to upgrade the multi-purpose room flooring at the new Helen M. Knight Elementary School. Bryan Walston seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were: Kaaron Jorgen, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren, and Jim Webster. The motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

ADVANCE PLANNING:

May 5 3:45 pm	Board Meeting	District Office
May 12 4:00 pm	Executive Session	District Office
May 19 12:00 pm	Site Visit	Child Nutrition – High School
May 20 6:00 pm	Board Meeting	District Office

At 8:10 pm Ron Olsen made a motion to go into Executive Session. Jim Webster seconded the motion. In favor of the motion were: Kaaron Jorgen, Bryon Walston, Ron Olsen, Deb Hren, and Jim Webster. The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Executive session ended at 9:00 pm.

