

CRAWFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 23-0071
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
MARCH 8, 2010

The Crawford Board of Education met Monday, March 8 at 7:00 P.M. in the Distance Learning Building. Publicized notice of the meeting was posted in the Crawford High School, Crawford Elementary School, Absalon's, City Hall and Security First Bank on or before March 1, 2010. Said posting gave date, time, and location of the meeting.

- 1 Board President Calvin Dodd called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.
 - 1.1 ROLL CALL
 - 1.1.1 The following Board of Education members were present: Barry Stewart, Rhonda Allen, Bob Oldfield, Calvin Dodd, and Marie Wohlers.
 - 1.1.2 The following Administrators were present: Liz Baker, Secondary Principal, Kathy Griesse – Elementary Principal and Dick Leshner, Superintendent.
 - 1.1.3 Motion by Allen, Seconded by Oldfield to excuse Jana Bell from the meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Allen, Oldfield, Wohlers, Dodd and Stewart. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5 Yes/0 No/ 1 Absent.
 - 1.2 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
 - 1.2.1 Motion by Stewart, Seconded by Wohlers to approve the agenda. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES –Stewart, Wohlers, Oldfield, Dodd and Allen. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 5 Yes / 0 No/ 1 Absent.
 - 1.2.2 Jana Bell entered the meeting at 7:05 P.M.
 - 1.3 RAM AWARD
 - 1.3.1 Julie Micheel presented Rick Barry with the RAM AWARD.
- 2 HEARINGS AND PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
 - 2.1 Jean Prosser, Chance Soester and Luke Prosser expressed their appreciation and admiration of teachers Rick Barry, Moni Hourt and Ryan Osmotherly.
- 3 CONSENT AGENDA
 - 3.1 Motion by Allen, Seconded by Stewart to approve the consent agenda and the minutes of the February 8, 2010 regular board meeting and the February 18, 2010 and March 4, 2010 special board meetings. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES –Allen, Stewart, Oldfield, Bell, Wohlers, and Dodd. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6 Yes / 0 No.
- 4 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS, WARRANTS AND TRANSFERS
 - 4.1 Motion by Allen, Seconded by Oldfield to approve the claims, warrants and transfers. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES –Allen, Oldfield, Stewart, Dodd, Wohlers, and Bell. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED:6 Yes / 0 No.
- 5 BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS
 - 5.1 Wohlers, Oldfield and Bell reported they had learned a lot at the "Judge & Jury" Workshop in Scottsbluff.
- 6 STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT
 - 6.1 Kassi Shimek and Nicole Osmotherly reported the STUCO elections will be held the end of April and the 8th grade class won the food drive.
- 7 STAFF MEMBERS' REPORTS
 - 7.1 Rick Barry reported on the number of athletes in each sport; the distance we will travel for football games and that we had 8 qualify for Academic All State.
 - 7.2 Kay Buecker reported on the "Write Tools" Workshop teachers had attended and showed examples of her first grade writing following her training.

- 8 ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
- 8.1 Title 1 – Self-evaluation is due May 1
 - 8.1.1 Accountability Improvement Grant outline
 - 8.1.2 Supplementary Educational Services application outline
 - 8.1.3 Title 1 Improvement section on our district website – will continue to add information
 - 8.1.4 Intervention Services: Continuing to see students access the services and have been receiving parent referrals for the remainder of the school year and summer school – will continue to be available to all students 3:45-5:30. Some students are already signed up for summer school.
 - 8.2 Continuous Improvement –March 17, 2010
 - 8.2.1 Copy of the first chapter of “Accountability in Action”
 - 8.3 NeSA-R – during the month of April – two sessions per grade
 - 8.4 Parent-Teacher Conferences
 - 8.4.1 Copies of the forms we are sharing with parents (result of PIRC initiatives)
 - 8.4.1.1 Behavior-Work Habits-Homework Rubric
 - 8.4.1.2 “Next Steps”
 - 8.4.2 Goal is to provide a more concrete form of communication on student progress
 - 8.5 PIRC – conference call with State PIRC liaison LaRon Henderson March 4
 - 8.6 21st Century Learning Grant – No word at this time
 - 8.7 Staff Development
 - 8.7.1 Early dismissal plan – Trish Kenagy will be addressing all District staff from 1:10 until 4:00 p.m. on recognizing and dealing with bullying and harassment in the schools.
 - 8.7.2 “Accountability in Action” – staff book study 1 chapter a week with discussions at weekly staff meetings.

9 SECONDARY PRINCIPAL REPORT

- 9.1 District History Day – February 27th
 - 9.1.1 11 students qualified for State Competition April 17th – 16 competed
- 9.2 Perkins Grant Meeting – February 25th – funds will come through WNCC
- 9.3 Teacher In-Service – March 22nd
 - 9.3.1 Bullying Training (All staff)
- 9.3 Spring sports & activities
- 9.4 Spring Activity Dates
 - 9.4.1 District Speech – March 9th
 - 9.4.2 Crawford Jr Wrestling Tourney – March 13th
 - 9.4.3 PHC Quiz Bowl – March 29th
 - 9.4.4 STUCO Elections – April 7th
 - 9.4.5 CSC Scholastic Day – April 9th
 - 9.4.6 NHS Induction – April 15th
 - 9.4.7 Prom – April 24th
 - 9.4.8 Athletic Banquet – May 3rd
 - 9.4.9 Spring Concert – May 6th (tentative)
 - 9.4.10 Academic Assembly (Tea) – May 6th (tentative)
 - 9.4.11 Graduation – May 8th
- 9.5 Parent/Teacher Conferences – March 9th & 11th
- 9.6 Music Contests
 - 9.6.1 Panhandle Contest – March 26th
 - 9.6.2 District Contest – April 21st

10 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- 10.1 Received the Learn & Serve Grant for \$5000 per year for 2 years
- 10.2 Gave the board Legislative Updates
- 10.3 Nebraska was not chosen for the "Race to the Top" this year
- 10.4 Apprised the Board on the Source Gas bills that average \$5000 per month and what is being done
- 10.5 Reported to the Board that the van extended warranty has been paid for
- 10.6 State Aid Certification – updated the board word was received we would be \$100,000 better off than predicted – we will receive \$220,227.39 less next year for a total of \$333,905.65.

11 ACTION ITEMS

- 11.1 Budget Consideration for 2010-2011 – Educational Programs Reduction/Elimination
 - 1.1.1 Motion by Allen, seconded by Bell not to follow through with the proposed Reduction in Force and look into other measures for budget savings. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Allen, Bell, Oldfield, Wohlers, Dodd and Stewart. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6 Yes/0 No.
- 11.2 Acceptance of Donations
 - 11.2.1 Motion by Allen, Seconded by Wohlers to accept the donations from Jim Soester for a Bow Flex machine, computer games and a computer microscope; Crawford Pharmacy, Kreider Insurance Agency, Crawford Livestock Market, Crow Butte Resources/Cameco and Crawford Clipper to support the construction of the Press Box. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES –Allen, Wohlers, Stewart, Dodd, Bell and Oldfield. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6 Yes /0 No.
- 11.3 Discussion of Classified Handbook
- 11.4 Discussion and Consideration of School Calendar
 - 11.4.1 Motion by Bell, Seconded by Oldfield to approve the calendar for the 2010/2011 school year. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Bell, Oldfield, Stewart, Allen, Dodd and Wohlers. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6 Yes/0 No.
- 11.5 Executive Session – Principal Negotiations.
 - 11.5.1 Motion by Oldfield, Seconded by Allen to enter executive session for principal negotiations at 8:40 P.M. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES –Oldfield, Allen, Bell, Wohlers, Dodd and Stewart. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6 Yes/0 No.
 - 11.5.2 Motion by Allen, Seconded by Oldfield to exit executive session at 10:49 P.M. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Allen, Oldfield, Bell, Wohlers, Dodd and Stewart. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6 Yes/0 No.
 - 11.5.3 Motion by Allen, Seconded by Oldfield to approve Mrs. Griesse's contract as per specified. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Allen, Oldfield, Stewart, Dodd, Wohlers, and Bell. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6 Yes/0 No.
 - 11.5.4 Motion by Stewart, Seconded by Oldfield to approve Mrs. Baker's contract as per specified. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Stewart, Oldfield, Wohlers, Dodd, and Allen. VOTING NO – Bell. MOTION CARRIED 5 Yes/1 No.

12 INFORMATION ITEMS

- 12.1 The next regular school board meeting: Mon, April 12, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.

13 MEETING ADJOURNED

- 13.3 Motion by Allen, Seconded by Stewart to adjourn regular school board meeting at 11:17 P.M. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES –Allen, Stewart, Oldfield, Bell, Wohlers, and Dodd. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No.

Twila Vogl, Secretary