

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newville, Pennsylvania

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Directors for the Big Spring School District met in the Big Spring High School Large Group Room, Room 140, at 8:02 P.M. with President Wilbur Wolf, Jr., presiding. Nine (9) directors present: Wilbur Wolf, Jr., President; William Swanson, Vice President; Robert Lee Barrick, Secretary; Terry Lopp, Treasurer; Kingsley Blasco; David Gutshall; Richard Norris; William Piper; and Richard Roush.

Others in attendance: Richard Fry, Superintendent; Jeanne Temple, Assistant Superintendent; Kevin Roberts, Director of Curriculum/Instruction and Educational Technology; Rick Gilliam, Food Service and Transportation Director; Denny Clopper, The Valley Times-Star; Sarah Weingarten, Student Representative to the Board of School Directors; and Brenda Line, Board Minutes.

II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

President Wolf led all individuals present in the Pledge to the Flag.

III. PRAYER

Director Blasco offered a prayer.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 16, 2010 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES AND THE AUGUST 16, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Blasco, seconded by Norris for approval of the August 16, 2010 Committee of the Whole of the Board Meeting Minutes and the August 16, 2010 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Blasco, Gutshall, Norris, Piper, Roush, Lopp, Barrick, Swanson, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.

V. STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION AND BOARD REPORTS

A. Ms. SaraBeth Wanbaugh, Ms. Sherisa Nailor, and the following FFA officers attended this evening's meeting and offered a report:

Richard Beatty, President; Lauren Chronister, Vice President; Amanda Musselman, Secretary; Violet Taylor, Student Advisor; Josh Anderson, Sentinel; Laura Ryan, Treasurer; Adrienne Line, Junior President; Brittany Olson, Junior Vice President; Brielle Kutz, Junior Secretary; Shane Moomaw, Junior Treasurer; Paul Davis, Junior Sentinel; and Jess Jumper, Junior News Reporter.

The officers reviewed the FFA activities in the past several months and outlined the activities for the coming months, including the following:

1. Penn State Activities Week – Richard Beatty placed first in competition, earning an expense-paid trip to the National Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana, October 19-23, 2010. Reed Morgan placed third in tractor driving. Amanda Musselman placed in the junior prepared speaking event.
2. Two Big Spring graduates were elected to State FFA offices.
3. Eight students attended the Mid-Atlantic Cooperatives Conference in June 2010. Three students qualified to compete at the national conference in Tennessee.
4. A team competed in the Ag Progress Farm and Home Safety Quiz Bowl and earned a competitive spot at the State Farm Show in January 2011.
5. Three students were nominated to represent Pennsylvania at the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, MA, September 17 to 19, 2010.
6. 17 Big Spring students showed animals at the Shippensburg Fair in July 2010. Of the 11 champion animals, 9 were owned by Big Spring students. Big Spring students grossed just over \$30,000 from the sale of their show animals.
7. The All American Show is slated for September 21, 2010.
8. The tractor driving contest will be held on September 23, 2010.
9. The Pennsylvania Farm Show begins January 7, 2010, and Big Spring's FFA will offer a landscape display.
10. April 14-17, 2011, is the date for the spring trip to Tennessee.
11. FFA members are selling garden flags (\$6.00), and tickets for chicken barbeque (\$7.50) on October 16, 2010.

Board members were encouraged to attend FFA activities and were invited to participate as judges for FFA competitions.

The students thanked the Board members for supporting Big Spring's FFA program.

President Wolf and Vice President Swanson congratulated the students for assuming leadership roles and presented them with Big Spring School District Excellence in Education award pens.

