

# Jim Sisney vs. the Broken Arrow Board of Education

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The Board of Education members and BAPS district staff have been unable to speak about the details of this controversy because it concerns confidential personnel information and because there is pending litigation due to two lawsuits filed by former superintendent Jim Sisney. The local media has chosen to highlight only one side of the story, and our hometown paper has demonstrated an apparent bias. We seek to provide the public with more factual information from published sources and analysis of this information that has been missing from the media reports, to help the community make fair assessments of this issue.

**In light of the upcoming school bond election to be voted on December 8, 2009, we thought it was important for the public to have more information about this issue, so that informed decisions can be made by those who have lost trust in our school district's governing body.**



**Did one man's claims encourage our community to rush to judgment without the facts?**

## The Controversy

Dr. Sisney has made serious accusations against District employees, a local business, and three school board members. He has filed two lawsuits. It was reasonable to take his claims seriously; after all, he was in a position of authority, and was an effective and well-respected superintendent. But do his claims hold up to analysis? Have his lawsuits proven to be justified? He has asked the judge to dismiss the federal lawsuit he filed, and the District has objected to the dismissal. Was the lawsuit "meritless", as the District's attorney said?

## The Questions

On **BrokenArrowForum.net** you will find a wealth of information that is critical to understanding the issues in the controversy between Dr. Sisney and the Broken Arrow School Board, including the following:

- Official court documents in Dr. Sisney's defamation case filed in District court
- Official court documents in Dr. Sisney's wrongful termination case filed in Federal court
- A detailed timeline of events, with sources listed for each event
- A list of well-researched questions that suggest that Dr. Sisney was NOT railroaded
- Audit requests and results
- Letter from Board to Dr. Sisney listing reasons for possible dismissal
- Press releases
- Text of Dr. Sisney's email to all Broken Arrow staff
- Dr. Sisney's letter to Doug Mann
- Text of Maryanne Flippo's press conference
- John Lare's Taxpayer Demand and the District's response
- Emails among board members and Mike Rampey
- Attorney billing details
- A link to the Tulsa World article with ongoing discussion on this topic in the comments section (1300+ and growing) - BA School Board Rejects Probe , 2/26/2009.

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**On the other side: puzzling inconsistencies in Dr. Sisney's claims, and surprising information the Board's critics might not want you to know!**

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