

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting Administration Building 7:00 – 10:14 p.m. September 19, 2007

Members Present:

Leandra Sedlack, Presiding Officer
Patti Essig
Lisa Houk
Mark Mirabile
Scot Orsic
Rick Rigley
Beth Tegtmeier

ROLL CALL AND VISITORS

Present with Superintendent Mark Fredisdorf were staff members Erika Sawosko, Catherine Chang, Meg Pokorny, Kim Freislinger, Matt Vandercar, Maria Smith, John Munch, Carrie Castaldo, Erin Berwick, Kathy Rozum, Jane Falvey, Kristin Lilly, and Melissa Sedjo; Jim Jarowski of the Doings newspaper; Dr. John Wick; and residents Karen O'Halloran and Sandra Hannan

INTRODUCTION

Meg Pokorny introduced new middle school employees Kathy Rozum, Jane Falvey, Kristin Lilly and Melissa Sedjo.

ACTION NO. 7
Budget Hearing

Motion by Rigley, seconded by Sedlack, that the budget hearing open at 7:02 p.m. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Business Manager Catherine Chang outlined expenditures and revenues, and answered questions posed by the Board.

Motion by Rigley, seconded by Sedlack, that the budget hearing close at 7:11 p.m. Voice vote. Motion carried.

ACTION NO. 8
Tentative Budget Amended

Motion by Orsic, seconded by Sedlack, that the Board of Education approves the amendments to the 2007-08 tentative budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously by a roll call of 7 ayes (Essig, Houk, Mirabile, Orsic Rigley, Sedlack, Tegtmeier).

ACTION NO. 9
Budget Adopted

Motion by Tegtmeier, seconded by Essig, that the Board of Education adopts the 2007-08 school district budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously by a roll call of 7 ayes (Essig, Houk, Mirabile, Orsic Rigley, Sedlack, Tegtmeier).

ACTION NO. 10
Consent Agenda

Motion by Houk, seconded by Tegtmeier, that the Board of Education approves the regular meeting minutes of August 15, 2007 as amended; payment of August payroll/September warrants; 2007-08 ISBE Application for Recognition; and September 2007 personnel report Motion carried unanimously by a roll call of 7 ayes (Essig, Houk, Mirabile, Orsic Rigley, Sedlack, Tegtmeier).

REPORTS AND
DISCUSSION ITEMS*SEL Status Report and Evaluation Data Proposal*

Social workers, John Munch and Carrie Castaldo, presented a powerpoint presentation on SEL activities currently taking place at both schools and discussed future ideas to help strengthen the program. They also shared the current method of tracking behaviors at the middle school through STI and how the elementary school will begin the same process. Kim Freislinger commented on the levels of behavior and how they are recorded in STI.

Academic Goals Committee

Superintendent, Mark Fredisdorf discussed the goals that have been set by grade levels for ITBS testing for the upcoming year. Dr. John Wick also shared information regarding the data that has been collected and how it was analyzed. The next status report to the BOE will occur in November.

Bright Beginnings, Extended Day Kindergarten, and Summer Academy Fees

Catherine Chang, Business Manager, discussed the direct and indirect costs and revenue for the current programs. The Board requested additional information and will make a decision regarding raising the fees at the October Board meeting.

Scheduling 2007-08 Town Hall Meeting

Board members Patti Essig and Beth Tegtmeier proposed a date for the Board of Education Town Hall meeting with the community and ideas on how this might be executed. It was agreed that the meeting would be scheduled for January 31, 2008 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The topic will be addressed again at the October meeting.

ACTION NO. 11

SEL Collection

Motion by Mirabile, seconded by Essig, that the Board of Education approves the proposal for SEL data collection as amended. Motion carried unanimously by a roll call of 7 ayes (Essig, Houk, Mirabile, Orsic Rigley, Sedlack, Tegtmeier).

NEXT AGENDA

Items submitted for the October 2007 agenda included Construction Update; Town Hall Meeting Planning; Technology Plan Status Report; Elementary/Middle School Improvement Plans; Review of School Board Policies; Approve Bright Beginnings, Extended Day Kindergarten, and Summer Academy Fees; and Adopt Proposed Tax Levy.

ACTION NO. 12

Closed Session

Motion by Essig, seconded by Sedlack, that the Board of Education move into closed session at 9:56 p.m. to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, performance, or dismissal of personnel. Motion carried unanimously by a roll call of 7 ayes (Essig, Houk, Mirabile, Orsic Rigley, Sedlack, Tegtmeier).

The Board came out of closed session at 10:13 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

App. ___ President _____ Secretary _____