

Proposed Minutes of the Special Board Meeting  
February 15, 2010

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President Freeman called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. in the elementary/middle school gym.

Members present: Butler, Freeman, Keyes, Palmer, Peglow, Ryckman, Van Sickler

Members absent: none

Administrators Present: Myers, Beal, Hubbard, Kelly

Administrators Absent: none

Visitors Present: Karen Gostomski, Bob McMullen, Tami Emmons, Tracey Reed, Brian Puffpaff, Cindy Wright, Randy Hansen, Coty Prestage, Breann Hernandez, Genevieve Prestage, James Prestage, Ashton Cornell, Laura Neelis, Mary Lu Throop, Robert Herman, Dave Cramer, Torrey Sanders, Nadeen McGarvey, Joanne Rhode, Karen Berry, Ben Steele, Stephanie Smith, Bridget LaMarre, Kerry Krzymicki, Sara Millerov, Phil Millerov, Lori Avery, Karen Nickerson, Carol Herman, Doris Johnson, Rhonda McNerney, Sherri Wing, Marcie Peglow, Larry Koutz, Dawn Perrien, Darlene DeHate, Kristen Davenport, Traci McCormick, Sharon Gerlach, Dianne Wilson, Amy Johnston, Connie Marshall, Bonnie Walker, Bill Walker, Ed Morey, Jeanne Morey, Jody Zinn, Janell Kilmer, Ryan Dove, Emilee Dove, Melinda Doll, Jeremie Smith, MaLynda Smith, Mayna Spohn, Justin Gifford, Jody Johnston, Jim Hodges, Nancy Valenta, Thomas McNerney, Lonny McQueen, Carol Jane Koutz, Rhonda Freeman, Sarah Koutz, David Martin, Steve Bigelow, Mike Delacourt, Jessica Delacourt, Lisa Delacourt, Mary Beth Calverley, Sharon Davis, Kristi Wainman, Taylor Hansen, Lori Schneider, Lisa Janofski, Richelle Davis, Barb Alexander, Matt Walderzak

Guest Recognition: None

Approval of Agenda

Freeman amended the agenda to add

V. Crystal Martin Retirement Incentive Buyout

Change V. to VI Reduction of Personnel

VII. Executive Session to discuss administration contracts.

Change the rest of the numerals accordingly.

Motion by Van Sickler, support by Keyes to accept the agenda as amended.

Motion CARRIED 7-0

Motion by Peglow, Support by Van Sickler to accept the Retirement Incentive Buyout for Crystal Martin.

Motion CARRIED 7-0

Reduction of Personnel

The board discussed the recommendations from Superintendent Myers on possible cuts to personnel.

Motion by Peglow, support by Ryckman to approve the layoff of the high school media center paraprofessional.

Roll call: Butler – yes, Keyes – yes, Palmer – yes, Peglow – yes, Ryckman – yes,  
Van Sickler – yes, Freeman - yes

Motion CARRIED 7-0

The board discussed the layoff of high school guidance counselor.

Motion by Van Sickler, support by Palmer to layoff the high school guidance counselor.

Roll call: Butler – no, Keyes – no, Palmer – yes, Peglow – no, Ryckman – yes,  
Van Sickler – no, Freeman - no

Motion declined 2-5

Motion by Peglow, support by Palmer to layoff the transportation supervisor.

Roll call: Butler – yes, Keyes – yes, Palmer – yes, Peglow – yes, Ryckman – yes,  
Van Sickler – yes, Freeman - yes

Motion CARRIED 7-0

Motion by Van Sickler, support by Keyes to reduce the hours of the elementary media center paraprofessional to 5 hours. Board discussed the media center.

Roll call: Butler – yes, Keyes – no, Palmer – no, Peglow – no, Ryckman – yes,  
Van Sickler – yes, Freeman - yes

Motion CARRIED 4-3

Motion by Peglow, support by Butler to reduce the hours of the high school special education paraprofessional to 5.75 hours.

Freeman suggested a 2-minute recess.

Roll call: Butler – no, Keyes – no, Palmer – no, Peglow – no, Ryckman – no,  
Van Sickler – no, Freeman - no

Motion declined 0-7

Motion by Ryckman, support by Peglow to change the position of Director of Grounds and Maintenance from salary to an hourly position. Board discussed changing from salary to hourly. Freeman asked if the board had a special board meeting next Monday that Mr. Myers could have that total of savings for the board.

Motion by Butler, support by Keyes to table this motion until the next special board meeting on Monday, February 22, 2010.

Motion CARRIED 7-0

Freeman and the board discussed other cuts that were on hold right now until the end of the school year. The board discussed pupil loss per year.

Freeman stated that the board needs a month-to-month financial statement. The board needs to be more informed and can make better-informed decisions.

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Freeman stated that the board would be going into executive session at this time (P.A. 1976 Amended by Act No. 256 of 1978, per 15.268, Section 8, Paragraph h.)

Motion by Butler, support by Palmer to enter executive session at 8:09 p.m.

Roll call: Butler – yes, Keyes – yes, Palmer – yes, Peglow – yes, Ryckman – yes, Van Sickler – yes, Freeman – yes

Motion CARRIED 7-0

Motion by Van Sickler, support Peglow to re-enter regular session at 9:17 p.m.

Roll call: Butler – yes, Keyes – yes, Palmer – yes, Peglow – yes, Ryckman – yes, Van Sickler – yes, Freeman – yes

Motion CARRIED 7-0

#### Guest Recognition

Kim Hansen showed her appreciation on behalf of the students in the CI room she thanked the board for their support of her position.

There will be a Special Meeting Monday, February 22, 2010 to except the bids for the kitchen. Also at the special board meeting discussion on the hourly wage for the Director of Grounds and Maintenance.

Motion by Van Sickler, support by Keyes to adjourn at 9:20 p.m.

Karen Grover  
Recording Secretary